

the bank, admitting the embezzlement of \$123,000. One strange feature of the case is that he robbed the bank of \$50,000 prior to January 1, 1893. The bank people discovered this, but Schleg was re-employed at an increased salary, and got away with an additional \$73,000. Schleg implicates Mrs. Floyd and her son Frank, now on trial.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The following cablegram was received at the state department this afternoon from the City of Mexico:

"Just heard from Wilson; temperature normal; general condition good; convalescence sure if not imprudent, but slow; needing good nourishment and rest; out of all danger.

CRITTENDEN, Consul General."

EUGENE, Or., March 2.—Albert Moss and father, living on a farm near here, quarreled last night, and Albert Coleman, a neighbor, took sides with the father. Later young Moss went to Coleman's house and shot and killed Coleman's married daughter, wounded another daughter, fatally shot Coleman and then suicided.

BARBOURSVILLE, Ky., March 2.—It is reported from Harlan county that Len Tye, the negro who murdered Miss Bryant near Williamsburg a year ago, recently returned and kidnapped a farmer's daughter and kept her secreted in the woods till discovered by hunters. They waited for his return and proceeded to skin him alive. Before he was dead the girl built a fire on his head and he was roasted alive. It is said he confessed the murder of Miss Bryant and the kidnapping of three other girls in Kentucky and Tennessee, keeping them secreted till they died of ill treatment and exposure.

LONDON, March 3.—Gladstone, as the guest of the queen at Windsor Castle, rose early and took a constitutional in the grounds. He looked well and was in the highest spirits.

Later in the day the members of the privy council left for Windsor, and on the arrival of the council a meeting took place. Though no official announcement of the fact was made, it is understood Gladstone officially tendered his resignation of the premiership.

After the departure of the minister, the queen sent her private secretary to London to summon Lord Roseberry, Gladstone's probable successor, to Windsor. Roseberry left for his destination at 4 p. m.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The number of railway accidents of late years, in which railway mail clerks have lost their lives, has given rise to many plans to provide for disabled clerks and the families of the victims of the accidents. Representative Wheeler, Ill., has introduced a bill to create a relief fund by taxing the salaries of the clerks one per cent, the sums to be retained in the treasury and placed in some depository of public money. Pensions from the fund are to be granted the disabled clerks at these rates: For the first class, \$360; second class, \$410; third class, \$460; fourth, \$500; fifth, \$610. Widows or minor children of clerks who have been killed in the service are to receive a sum equal to one year's salary, and clerks retired after twenty years' service because of age or infirmities, are to be eligible for pensions.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The an-

nual distribution of seeds by the department of agriculture, in response to personal applications, has been discontinued for the present season. Hereafter the distribution will be made at the direction of congressmen. Secretary Morgan does not believe in the wholesale distribution of seeds and has submitted an estimate asking for an appropriation of only \$35,000 against \$135,000 appropriated for the current year. The amount asked is for the purchase, propagation and distribution of rare and improved seeds, buds, etc., for experimental purposes only, and the distribution is to be made by the secretary at his discretion.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 2.—Engineer McKinney of the Rock Island, saved his company a heavy loss tonight. Passenger train No. 13, east-bound, Conductor J. A. Wesner, left the Union Pacific depot at 7:25. As the train glided into a cut three miles east of here a red light flashed across the track.

McKinney saw several men with guns and it flashed through his mind that they were robbers. He pulled the throttle wide and jumped down into the bottom of the cab, not a minute too soon. The robbers fired a volley into the engine and cab, but hurt no one.

The train dashed through a shower of bullets, the bandits firing into the coaches as they passed. When the train reached Stockbridge it was found that over 100 bullets had hit it.

EL PASO, Tex., March 2.—Hugh Brice, who arrived from Mexico this morning, tells a great story of wrong and suffering. He says four years ago he was imprisoned for the murder of a man of whom he never heard and who died two years before he reached Mexico. He was thrown into prison and his feet chained. He was not allowed to speak to an American and could not talk Spanish. All his letters were intercepted. He was never given a trial, and secured his liberty by giving the mayor of Puebla, Mexico, where he was confined, \$800, and the chief of police \$1000. He is going to Washington to press his claim for damages. He claims to be a nephew of Senator Brice.

DENVER, March 2.—The legislature adjourned sine die at 11:30 tonight. The bill providing for the redemption of land sold under trust deeds was passed. The chattel mortgage amendments were defeated.

MONTVIDEO, March 2.—The two houses of Parliament met today to elect a president to succeed Dr. Herisly Obea, whose term expired March 1st. The balloting resulted in the election of Senor Ellauri by a majority of 54 votes. Senor Ellauri was president of the republic in 1873.

Ellauri has declined to accept the presidency.

HERMOSILLO, Mex., March 2.—Forty braves of the Yaqui tribe are creating consternation among the settlers of the upper Yaqui valley. They have raided the ranches, burned buildings, destroyed crops and driven off cattle and horses. A few days ago they murdered a ranchman named Torres because he offered resistance when they attacked his ranch.

BOZEMAN, Mont., March 4.—Several gold, silver, copper and iron mines near here have just been purchased by George W. Ballou, who represents a syndicate of New York capitalists.

The price paid is \$1,000,000. The mines will be extensively developed and large concentrating works erected.

LONDON, March 4.—A dispatch from Bathurst, capital of the British colony of Gambia, says that the column of the West Indian regiment has captured Dusanvalla, a stockade native village near Bathurst, after slight resistance. Later the natives returned and attacked the British and severe fighting followed. The natives were finally repulsed with heavy loss. Nine soldiers were wounded.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Minister Mendonca has received the following cable message from the minister of the interior at Brazil:

"The elections were perfectly tranquil, and elected by a large majority Dr. Prudente DeMorse, president, and Manuel Victorino, vice president."

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 26, via Montevideo, March 4.—The reports of the loss of the rebel transport Venus have been confirmed, but the details are yet meager. On Friday morning the armed rebel transports Jupiter, Marte and Venus opened a bombardment against the government batteries and quite a lively fire was exchanged. Suddenly there was a terrific roar heard above the booming of the guns, and it was seen, as the smoke cleared away, that an explosion had occurred on the Venus. The vessel had been torn in half and almost immediately the stern half went to the bottom. The bow half was on fire, and in a few minutes the flames were raging furiously. This portion of the Venus floated for half an hour and then went down.

DENVER, March 3.—There have been stories for sometime about the wholesale traffic in girls who have been sent to mining camps. Mrs. Julian White, who conducts an employment agency, has been arrested, charged with acting as agent for Doyle's dance house in Cripple Creek. One of the girls sent there says her business was to wear décolleté dresses and coax patrons to buy beer. Mrs. White denies the charges.

SAN ANTONIO, March 4.—Ben H. Sanford, a ranchman of Presidio county, arrived here today and states that there is much excitement among the people of that section over the discovery of a rich vein of gold. The find is located in the extreme lower part of the county, in a mountainous district.

LONDON, March 5.—The Queen's speech proroguing the parliament was purely formal, only fifteen lines in length. Lord Roseberry spent the morning conferring with the cabinet.

A report apparently based on this conference says that John Morley will continue as chief secretary of Ireland. It is said to be definitely settled that Earl Kimberley, secretary of state for India, will succeed Roseberry as secretary of state for foreign affairs.

DENVER, March 5.—Geo. M. Norion, one of the most prominent mining experts in the West, was found dead in bed this morning. It is attributed to a severe asthmatic attack and fatty degeneration of the heart. The deceased went from Rochester, N. Y., in 1865 to Virginia City, Nevada, where he became famous as the "boy broker." He was a protege of John W. Mackay and at 25 years of age was made superintendent of the Comstock lode.