MINNESOTA MISHAP MISTAKES MASTER FINE STILL RUNNING IN BATTLE CHILDREN'S READING POINT.

No One on Board Lines in Iowa, Says Skipper—Federal Authorities Begin Investigation.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15. — The parents of the six children who were killed in a school bus crash in Iowa have alleged that the children were not properly restrained, a report from the Transportation Club of the 19th State Convention.

The crash occurred on the evening of the 14th, when the children were being transported from their school in a bus driven by John W. Brown, a member of the club. The children were not wearing seat belts, and the crash occurred when the bus collided with a car on a rural road.

The Transportation Club has called for an investigation of the accident and has urged that all school buses be equipped with seat belts and that all children be properly restrained on bus trips.

One of the children, a 7-year-old girl, was killed on the spot, while the five other children, aged between 5 and 10, were pronounced dead at the hospital.

Affidavit Flatly Accuses Consul.

Bopp Said to Have Ingested Poison.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15. — Bopp, a U.S. consul in Tokyo, has been flatly accused of ingesting poison by a Japanese official.

According to the affidavit, Bopp was found unconscious in his residence last night and was taken to the hospital, where he died early this morning.

The affidavit states that Bopp had been acting strangely for several days before his death and that he had refused to answer questions about his activities.

A search of his residence revealed a number of suspicious items, including a notebook, a map, and a photograph of a foreign country.

An investigation is being conducted to determine the cause of death and to determine whether Bopp was involved in any illegal activities.

RANCHER WANDERS 6 DAYS; IS SAVED.

Creek Followed From Dead Water to Valley, Where Schoolboys Take Man to Honor for Food.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15. — A rancher who had wandered for six days in the wilderness was found alive today, thanks to the quick thinking of a group of schoolboys.

The rancher, who had been lost in the mountains, was followed to a creek by a group of schoolboys, who noticed that he was wearing a map and a compass.

The boys followed the creek until they reached a valley, where they saw a school, and the rancher was rescued by the teachers.

The rancher was taken to a hospital, where he was treated for dehydration.

Pacific Mail Flag to Stay on Pacific.

Grace & Co. Plan Rejuvenation of Line.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15. — The Pacific Mail Steamship Company has announced plans to rejuvenate its San Francisco to Japan line.

The company, which has been operating the line for over a century, has decided to modernize its ships and improve its services.

Plans include the purchase of new ships, the improvement of amenities on board, and the expansion of the route to include more stops along the way.

The rejuvenation of the line is expected to attract more passengers and to increase the company's profits.

Cheyenne Prisoner Gets Strong Alibi.

Suspect in Montana on Date of Murder.

CHEYENNE, Dec. 15. — A Cheyenne prisoner, who was suspected of murdering a woman in Montana, has been cleared of the crime.

The prisoner, who had been in custody since the murder, has produced an alibi that places him in Cheyenne on the date of the murder.

The alibi was corroborated by several witnesses, and the police have dropped the case.

Mountain Man FLT.

Great Falls, Mont., Hotel Register Upholds Smyth's Story.

W. J. Smyth, a mountain man, has been arrested for murdering a woman in Great Falls, Montana.

Smyth was last seen in the company of the victim, and he has been unable to explain his whereabouts on the date of the murder.

The arresting officer, who is confident in the case, has produced a strong alibi for the prisoner.

The case is expected to go to trial in the next few weeks.