OLD FIREMA MEETS DEATH.

New York's Deputy Chief Killed in Cellar.

Fell Through a Trap Door to His Death.

New York, Feb. 17.—Deputy Chief Charles W. Kruger, known for many years as "The Grand Old Man of the Fire Department," lost his life to-day while leading his men in a desperate fight against flames in Canal street. While working his way cautiously through a cellar filled with smoke and gases, Kruger plunged through a trap door into a sub-basement filled with water. He was dead when taken out, but in the few minutes which elapsed between the time the old man fell and his body was drawn out, more than a score of men had risked their own lives in an effort to save that of their leader.

"I knew it would happen this way," said one of Kruger's men when the chief's body was being carried away. "I have been to many fires with him. He was always in the lead. He never said, 'Boys, go into that place, or that place,' He always led us himself. He said, 'Boys, follo.. me,' and that's just what he did this time, when he led us into that basement."

Kruger was 57 years old, and had been a member of the department for 26 years. Several years ago Kruger was acting chief of the department for a time while Chief Croker was temporarily under suspension.

The Baker-Jones Printing Co. suffered loss of $80,000, and the S. H. Thompson Paper Co. $10,000.

The fire in which the old deputy chief lost his life started at 217 Canal street, and before it had been subdued swept that building from basement to roof, spread to two adjoining buildings, routed the tenants from several surrounding tenement houses, and threatened the Church of the Most Precious Blood, in Baxter street. It was after the flames in the upper part of the building had been brought under control that Kruger took his men to the basement. A great pile of excelsior in bales was blazing furiously, and attempts to reach it with streams from the street had been unsuccessful. After several attempts to get at the fire from the outside Kruger asked permission of Chief Croker to take his men through the basement of 215 and cut a hole through the wall to 217, where the fire was burning. Croker consented, and with a dozen men behind him, Kruger plunged into the cellar. The place was filled with smoke, and the deadly fumes of illuminating gas, which flowed from broken or melted pipes, but the men pressed cautiously forward into the darkness. Just in the middle of the cellar Kruger stepped on a trap and plunged into six feet of water in the sub-basement.

Then began a desperate fight in the gas-filled cellar to save the chief. He could do little to help himself, and when Battalion Chief Galvin plunged into the dark hole and raised the old man's head above the surface he was unconscious. It required the combined efforts of twenty firemen, weakened as they were by breathing smoke and gas, to draw Galvin, who still clung to Krugers' body, from the pit.

The property loss, as a result of the fire, is placed at $50,000.

WOMAN SCALPED

By Long Fall to Cement Walk in Buffalo.

Buffalo, Feb. 17.—With her scalp completely torn off, three ribs broken and her left arm fractured, Mrs. Emma Foster, 50 years old, was picked up in front of her home, 40 Goemble avenue, yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Foster was cleaning windows on the second floor of her home. To reach the outside of the glass she stood on the top of the veranda. While trying to reach a window near the edge of the veranda she lost her balance and fell a distance of twenty feet to the ground, striking on the cement walk. Her head struck the edge of the walk, which was raised slightly from the lawn. She was completely scalped.

In an unconscious condition she was carried into the house. Dr. J. W. Charters, of 540 Walden avenue, was called. The woman soon recovered consciousness. Her left arm was fractured and three ribs were broken.

Late last night Mrs. Foster was reported to be in a serious condition, but the physician stated that she had a fair chance of recovery.

SPOON HABIT.

LAVAL STUDENTS COMPELLED TO DISGORGE THEIR SPOIL.

Police Boarded the Train at Ottawa and Made the Young Men Return the Property of the Russell House—Incident of the Visit to Ottawa.

An Ottawa despatch: The souvenir spoon" habit was the cause of a rather unpleasant incident in connection with the visit of nearly 500 students of Laval University to Ottawa yesterday, as guests of Hon. L. P. Brodeur. When the students were returning to Montreal on the G. T. R. special about 2.30 this morning the train was held at the station by a squad of Ottawa police officers, who recovered from the collegians and others with them nearly 200 pieces of table ware belonging to the Russell House.

Last night the Laval men were entertained at a banquet in the hotel, and, after the function was at an end, the Russell House officials discovered a very serious shortage in the table silver used at the banquet. They at once communicated with the police, who proceeded to the station and boarded the cars. The students were informed of the object of the police visit and advised to return any silver they might have in their possession. A time of considerable confusion followed, but the boys gave up in many cases.

Over 125 coffee spoons, knives, forks and salt and pepper boxes were recovered in this way. Many angry protests were made, but Hon. Mr. Brodeur, who was at the station, spoke to the boys and the police, advising the former to return any of the missing silver they might have, and reminding the officers that the whole affair was a college prank, and not an unusual one at that.

The President of the Laval Students' Association has promised on behalf of the organization to make good any loss that the hotel will be put to by the desire of the students to obtain souvenirs of their Ottawa trip.

HUNGRY CHILDREN

Down New York Police in Rush for Food.

New York, Feb. 17.—Fifteen hundred children from the Ghetto schools had things all their own way this noon in an attempt to take advantage of the free lunch offer made by Adolf Lorber, who keeps a big restaurant in Grand street. Brushing aside the policemen stationed to maintain order, the children swept up to the doorway when the order came to admit them, and before they were seated they smashed a plate glass window and caused a panic in the part of the dining rooms reserved for regular customers.

Lorber's sympathies were aroused when reports were made that many of the east side children went unfed to school, and on Monday he threw open the third and fourth floors of his restaurant and provided a substantial lunch for Jew and Gentile child alike. Several hundred boys and girls were on hand on Monday.

Since then the news that free lunches could be obtained at Lorber's spread throughout the east side, and when the many schools were closed during the noon recess 1,500 pupils went to the restaurant.

The ground floor was well filled with diners when the children began to swarm against the doors. The three policemen stationed there could do nothing, and reserves had to be sent for Before they arrived a big plate glass window was smashed, and when the riot was put down the children were fed as they had been promised.

LOTION IGNITES.

Cream Used For Chapped Face Direct Cause of Death.

New York, Feb. 17.—One of the strangest causes of death ever reported in this city developed to-day in the case of Louis Lowenstein, a wealthy importer, who died at his home, 140 West 18th street.

On January 27 Mr. Lowenstein had been exposed to the severe cold all day and his face was badly chapped. He procured a healing lotion the following day and anointed his face with it several times during the night. About 3 o'clock in the morning, desiring a drink, he struck a match to light the gas. Instantly his whole face burst into flames, which was communicated to his night clothes. Some ingredient in the lotion gave off an inflammable gas. He failed steadily until his death this morning.

The dead man was a member of the firm of Lowenstein Brothers, importers of veilings.

OLD LADY FROZEN.

Mrs. North, of Orangeville, Found Dead in Her House.

Orangeville despatch: An inquest was opened this morning by Coroner James Henry on the body of Mrs. North, the old lady found yesterday at her home on John street frozen stiff. The discovery was made by Robert Wansboro, who, suspecting something wrong, forced an entrance. The deceased, who was 70, lived alone, her sole companion being a pet cat. She had food and fuel in the house and a sum of money in a local bank. Deceased suffered from asthma, and she had not been seen since Monday. The inquest was adjourned until Saturday.

FIGHTING THE RATS.

New York, Feb. 17.—The Herald has received the following despatch from San Francisco: The Mare Island Navy Yard is infested by thousands of rats. As it is known that they are spreaders of disease, a board was recently appointed to investigate the situation.

The board has just reported recommending a preliminary expenditure of $40,000, which is to provide, among other things, for wire meshing to fence in the yard proper from the northern part of the island, the purchase of 600 rat-traps and 600 garbage cans, the replacing of wooden flooring with cement, and precautions that will prevent the rodents from getting in the Navy Yard from visiting ships.

CUT HIS THROAT WITH RAZOR.

Toronto Man Made Deliberate Attempt on His Life.

A Toronto despatch says: Despondent through lack of work, and grieving over the loss of his aged mother, William Salmon, a man of fifty years of age, recently employed in the G. T. R. sheds as a freight handler, attempted to commit suicide at his boarding house, 192 Richmond street west, yesterday by cutting his throat with a razor. Fortunately his landlady was attracted to his room by the noise of his movements, and at once called in P. C. Robson, who had him removed to St. Michael's Hospital in the police ambulance. Salmon is a widower, and has no children or relatives in the city. He has a number of relatives living in Montreal. He will recover.

SHOT BROTHER OF HIS FIANCEE.

YOUNG MAN HAD OBJECTED TO HIS MARRIAGE WITH HIS SISTER.

Lover Was Insulted and Driven From the House—They Came to Blows—Then the Girl's Brother Was Shot and Killed by Her Fellow.

Huntington, W. Va., Feb. 17.—Because of his interference with plans for the marriage of his sister, Henry Bean, a prosperous young farmer living at Prichard, was shot through the head and instantly killed yesterday by V. Hatten, the young woman's fiancee. Hatten and Miss Daisy Bean were to have been married yesterday. When Hatten, accompanied by a minister and party of friends, arrived at the Bean home, he was met by the girl's brother, Henry, who forbade him the premises, and, as alleged, subjected him to insults. The men soon came to blows. Finally Hatten drew a revolver and shot and killed Bean. The men are members of two of the oldest and most respected families of southern West Virginia. Hatten surrendered himself.

BEAT THE KING.

One of Carlo's Assassins Defeated Him In Shooting Match.

Lisbon, Feb. 17.—It has been learned that a bomb was found under the landing stage where King Carlos landed on the day of the assassination. It had failed to explode because of a defect in the fuse.

A number of persons have called at the late home of Buica, one of the dead assassins, to give money to his mother-in-law for the support of his children. The proprietor of a department store has opened a subscription for them with $1,000, also giving them free use of their house.

A curious fact has come to light. Shortly before the crime, Buica had competed with the King in a shooting match, beating his majesty by several points.

SALOONS CLOSED

But All is Quiet at Fairbanks, Alaska —Troops Present.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 17.—A special cable to the Post Intelligencer from Fairbanks, Alaska, says: Marshal Perry yesterday received the following from the Department of Justice: "Military force ordered to Fairbanks. Meantime your duty is to protect law-abiding citizens without tenderness to law-breakers. The department expects you to use all necessary energy to preserve order, and arrest the leaders in any attempt at intimidation. Those molesting Russians must be arrested, using such force as may be necessary to accomplish this purpose. (Signed) Bonaparte."

Everything was quiet yesterday. Special deputies were organized into bands of tens under captains. Saloons are still closed, but may be allowed to reopen to-day if good order continues. Men arriving yesterday report no molesting on the trail. The Chamber of Commerce and the Arctic Brotherhood have officially expressed approval of the President in ordering troops to Tanama.

GERMAN EMPEROR

Turns Deaf Ear to Macedonian Cry "Come Over and Help Us."

St. Petersburg, Feb. 17.—The Novoe Vremya's announcement of Germany's action at Constantinople as embodied in the declaration of the German Ambassador, Baron Marschaell Von Bieberstein, that Germany intended to abandon the allies and proposed instead of adoption of the Sultan's counter proposals, which are tantamount to no reform at all, has created a sensation in diplomatic circles, and resulted in a lively interchange of views and inquiries in order to substantiate the extent of the truth of the announcement. It is realized that this portends the failure of all effort to alleviate Macedonia.

HE HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Big Icicle Almost Fell on Mr. Brown, of Toronto.

Toronto despatch: A huge icicle shaken from its holding on the roof of the Methodist Book Room on Temperance street crushed through a thick plate glass skylight and broke into a hundred crystals on a press over which Geo. Brown had bent a second before.

Men on the roof yesterday afternoon were engaged in clearing the roof of snow and ice when the big ice stalk broke loose, taking a few bricks with it. When it tore through the roof of the west annex to the building and smashed on the press the concussion was felt all through the building.

George Brown, the workman operating the press, had just thrown over the disconnecting lever and stepped back when the ice hit the press.

As it was a chunk of ice struck his hand and cut it so severely that Brown had to have medical attention. The press, too, was damaged.

Florence Nightingale Honored.

London, Feb. 17.—The Corporation of the City of London will confer the freedom of the city on Florence Nightingale, the organizer of the nursing in the Crimean War, and who has otherwise made herself beloved by her charities to soldiers. She is now in her 89th year.

DIPLOMATIC LOOSE ENDS

Are What Mr. Bryce Comes to Tie Up.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The British Ambassador will start for Ottawa on Saturday to take up with the Canadian Administration the details of negotiations affecting Canada and the United States, which it is hoped to conclude and to embody in a treaty.

The various questions which are to be made the basis for this treaty may be summarized as follows:

(1) Transmit free of duty of merchandise across portions of American and Canadian territory.

(2) Transit of merchandise without payment of duty until arrival at points in interior.

(3) Application of alien labor laws to citizens of the United States and of Canada.

(4) Reciprocal mine owning rights.

(5) Conveyance of American prisoners through Canadian territory, and vice versa.

(6) Reciprocal salvage and wrecking rights.

(7) Use of logging booms in St. John River.

(8) Disposition of certain pecuniary claims.

(9) Exemption of Canadians coming temporarily to United States from payment of head tax.

(10) Distribution of power from Niagara Falls.

GOT THREE YEARS.

Convicted of Wholesale Marriage Swindles in Germany

Berlin, Feb. 17.—A bogus American, "Colonel" Schiomangk, has been sentenced by the criminal court to three years imprisonment, the loss of his civil rights for five years after his release, and to perpetual police supervision, as well as to pay a fine of $300, Schiomangk having been convicted of wholesale marriage swindles by means of advertisements, whereby he succeeded in obtaining considerable sums of money from women.

The evidence in the court showed that the man already had served terms in the penitentiary where he made the acquaintance of a notorious criminal, Amandus Hoppe, who assisted him in carrying out his schemes. The latter was sentenced to six months imprisonment as an accomplice.

LAND GRANTS TO VETERANS.

Those From Prairie Provinces Entitled to 320 Acres.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—The Dominion oGvernment has decided to grant 320 acres of land to Manitobans and residents of Alberta and Saskatchewan who served in South Africa in 1899-1902 inclusive. The resolution to be moved in the House provides that every such grant shall be subject to the condition that the granter shall select his land on or before Dec. 31, 1910, and perfect his entry by settling upon the land six months afterwards.

In lieu of the land the volunteer may receive scrip for $160, acceptable in payment of Dominion lands. Grants of land or scrip are to be made by the Minister of the Interior upon warrant issued by the Minister of Militia. Entries and patents are to be issued free of homestead fees.

A DELIBERATE SUICIDE.

Buffalo Manufacturer Takes Life in New York Hotel.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 17.— Lying across his bed in a position that showed conclusively that the deed was done with deliberation, J. W. Bosche of Buffalo, committed suicide in the Astor House early to-day by slashing the radial artery of the left arm with a razor. In the room were found letters addressed to the manager of the hotel, the coroner, and his wife. In the former Boshce apologized for the trouble he was causing the hotel.

No motive for the deed is known here. Bosche had been at the hotel since Feb. 5. He is said to have been a member of the firm of Bosche Bros., manufacturing jewelers, of 918-920 Main street, Buffalo, with a residence at 61 Kitchell street, that city.

UNDER JAPANESE GUNS

Vancouver Would Have Discussed Japanese Question.

Toronto despatch: That the time will come when Canadians will freely give their share towards the cost of protecting the empire, not because of Britain's need, but because the people will be ashamed to enjoy British protection without paying their share of it, was stated by Dr. R. G. Parkin, G. C. M. G., at a largely attended meeting of the Empire Club in the St. Charles yesterday afternoon.

A lesson was recently given this country by the riots in Vancouver. When British subjects were the victims of riots in China the subject was discussed by the Chinese and British under the guns of a British warship, and if Canada was left to herself the Vancouver riots would have been discussed under the guns of a Japanese man-of-war.

RECORD RAILWAY BUILDING.

G. T. P. Will Strive to Reach Edmonton During Summer.

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—It was announced to-day that the Grand Trunk Pacific line would almost certainly be completed into Edmonton during the coming summer. The company is making every preparation to rush construction, and an effort will be made to surpass the world's record of railway-building established by the company last season.

Assaulting Young Girls.

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—Fred Davis, tinsmith, was arrested to-night on a charge of having assaulted a girl of three years. The offence was alleged to have been committed in Clement's block, where the accused had rooms. This is the second offence of this nature in the city within two days, as a five-year-old girl was assaulted in a vacant house yesterday.

BUFFALO FIRE.

Lithographing Co. and Newspaper Premises Suffer,

Buffalo, Feb. 17.—Fire which broke out on the fourth floor of the plant of the Courier Lithographing Co., 197 Main street, and extending to 234 Washington street, early to-day, caused a loss of about $250,000. The plant is one of the largest of its kind in the country.

Just after the fire was discovered there were a series of explosions, supposed to have resulted from the fire communicating with certain explosives used in the art department.

The press department of the Buffalo Evening Times, adjoining, was damaged to the extent of $30,000.

The Evening News has offered the Times the use of its presses and the Times will be run off to-day from the News presses.

Besides large quantities of valuable machinery in the Courier building, the company has just finished the plates for a $180,000 contract for circus posters, and these were in an annex, which was wrecked.

CHARGED WITH PERJURY.

Trial of Detective Christian Hansen at Whitby.

Whitby despatch: Christian Hansen, a detective for the License Department of the Ontario Government, is on trial here before Judge McCrimmon, charged with perjury. Hansen had Donald Christie, of the Grand Central Hotel, Sandfield, tried on December 6 of last year for selling wine without a license. Magistrates Hamilton and Crosby, who tried the case, found Christie guilty, but owing to a flaw in the information were unable to register a conviction.

Christie is hitting back at the detective by this charge of perjury. Hansen and Morten, two detectives, swore at the trial of Christie that on October 29 last they bought native wine from Christie and his wife at their hotel about midday. Christie is calling witnesses to prove an alibi for him. He says he was in the village of Sunderland, six miles away, when the sale is said to have taken place. On this the charge of perjury against the detective is based.

The prosecution has some fifteen or twenty witnesses, and the defence eight or ten.

LIVED TOO HIGH.

Italian Prince Expelled From France by Clemenceau.

Paris, Feb. 17.—The Italian Prince de Forlosa, a well known member of the Travellers' Club, has been expelled from France by a decree signed by Premier Clemenceau. The prince asserts that he is the victim of the intrigues of his personal enemies. On the other hand the police state the decree of expulsion was issued because their attention had been called to his mode of living, which was far beyond his means.

The Prince has instructed the Maitre Clemenceau, brother of the Premier, to begin suit to rescind the decree.

MANY WRITS ISSUED.

Winding Up of the Stratford Fuel & Ice Company.

A Stratford despatch: Following the winding-up proceedings of the Stratford Fuel, Ice, Cartage & Construction Company, R. T. Harding, acting for John Brown, liquidator, has issued writs against the Traders Bank to set aside two mortgages and two transfers of book debts; against W. J. Mooney, President of the late company, and F. B. Deacon, late manager, to recover $30,000 alleged to have been improperly apportioned.

Writs are also issued against the directors for paying dividends out of capital. Application has also been entered to make the following contributions for unpaid stock: M. L. Leitch, London, $2,000; W. J. Mooney, $2,000; F. B. Deacon, $3,000; S. J. Cook, $1,000. It is also alleged the Merchants Bank has taken action to recover some $6,922.

JUMPED FROM BRIDGE.

Unemployed Printer's Attempt to Commit Suicide.

New York, Feb. 17.—John Grant, an unemployed printer, jumped from Brooklyn bridge to-day, and although he landed among floating ice cakes in the river 200 feet below, escaped with only a few minor hurts. He is now at a hospital under arrest on a charge of attempted suicide. Grant was pulled out of the water by the crew of a tug boat. It is believed Grant was despondent because of inability to get work.

ANOTHER CROSSING VICTIM.

Death of Mrs. Parish, Who Was Injured Near Glencoe.

A Glencoe despatch: Mrs. Solomon Parish, who, in company with her husband, was so seriously injured while crossing the Kingscourt branch of the G. T. R., a mile west of here, died last night, having been conscious for only a short time since the accident. Her husband was killed at the time of the accident.

The Coroner's jury, chosen to inquire into the accident and to place the responsibility, have held two sessions at Alvinston, but have been unable to arrive at any decision.

WINNIPEG'S BIG OVERDRAFT.

Secret Meeting of Council Held to Consider Financial Arrangements.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 17.—A secret meeting of the Council was held yesterday for the purpose of discussing the civic finances, and hearing the answers to the city's proposal to the banks, that the banks should collectively advance $2,250,000 to pay off the city's overdraft with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and allow sufficient money for current expenditure for the year 1908, until such time as the city's taxes were collected. His Worship announced that he believed the Bank of Commerce would be willing to carry over the city for the present, or, at least, until the city had made other financial arrangements.

It is not improbable that the committee will communicate with a dozen or so of the largest brokers dealing in bonds, and may sell debentures by private tender.

The Council was adverse to waiting for the arrangements for the selling of stock to be completed before placing the debentures on the market.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Presbyterian Convention Asks For Two Million Dollars.

Philadelphia despatch: The Presbyterian men's foreign missionary convention concluded its work here last night. The records of the meetings show that 1,601 delegates were in attendance.

The most important business of the convention was the adoption of a resolution at the afternoon session appealing to Presbyterian churches throughout the country to raise $2,000,000 for foreign missions next year. The amount is almost double that asked for last year and the resolution was adopted after considerable protest.

The resolution also calls upon the men to pray at noon each day for the evangelization of the world.

J. A. Macdonald, of Toronto, Canada, addressed the convention last night on "The Interests of the Nation in the Foreign Missions of the Church." Mr. Macdonald conveyed the thought that while we are building tariff walls and passing restrictive immigration laws it is our duty to teach the heathen in the east something more than commercialism, trade and politics, if we do not wish the unenlightened to over run the world.

TROUBLE IN INDIA.

Police Fired on Mob in a Riot at Bombay.

Bombay, Feb. 17.—Serious rioting occurred here this evening during the course of the celebrations of the Muharram, the first month of the Mohammedan year, arising from disputes between the Sunnites or orthodox section and the Shiahs, the second great division of Mohammedans. The police arrested several Sunnites and the mob demanded their release, which demand was refused. The mob thereupon stoned the police, injuring two of them. The police commander and other European officers fired upon the rioters, killing at least five of them and injuring forty, twenty of whom were seriously wounded.

It is believed that others were killed and their bodies moved by relatives, for during the course of the afternoon and evening several similar clashes occurred. Eventually the troops were called out and are camping to-night in the streets. The native quarter, however, is abnormally quiet.

ENGINES WENT TO THE BAD.

Chapter of Accidents Marred Progress of C. P. R. Montreal Express.

Toronto despatch: Owing to a chapter of accidents, it required six engines to bring in train No. 5 over the C. P. R. from Montreal yesterday morning. In the division between Montreal and Smith's Falls the eccentric of the first engine, which pulled out of Montreal on scheduled time, broke, and the train was stalled on the track until another engine was rushed up from the east.

The cushion of the cylinder flew out of the second engine near Smith's Falls, and another engine was sent out, the train reaching Smith's Falls about three hours late. When some distance up from Smith's Falls the third engine went "leaky," and the assistance of a fourth locomotive was sought.

Near Leaside Junction the big Pacific locomotive 1,102 went wrong, and a yard engine was then brought into service to pull the train into Toronto.

THE JAPANESE BUDGET.

Over Half Country's Revenue Expended in Armaments.

Tokio, Feb. 17.—After an exciting debate, lasting six hours, which developed into a riot on the floor of the House of Representatives, the financial budget was passed by a majority of 102. Speakers on both sides occupied a long time, and towards the last they howled at the chair and charged favoritism, the Opposition members demanding an apology.

The chair suspended the session for half an hour, and upon resuming the chair apologized handsomely to the Opposition.

Impressive speeches were made during the debate, all making a point of the feature that more than one-half of the budget was expended in armaments.

FRUIT FRAUDULENTLY MARKED.

Shippers and Packers Fined at Belleville and Brighton.

Belleville despatch: Mr. R. J. Graham, of Belleville, fruit shipper, to-day pleaded guilty, through his counsel, before Magistrate Masson, to three charges of violating the fruit marks act in selling, offering, exposing or having in his possession for sale fruit marked higher than its quality would warrant. He was fined 25 cents a barrel for all such fruit.

Three packers in Mr. Graham's employ —T. J. Thompson, of Springbrook; Jas. Marchen, of Tweed, and L. Emmerson, of Tweed—pleaded guilty, through their counsel, to packing the fraudulently marked fruit, and were fined $5 each

FOR MONTCALM MONUMENT.

Fund Being Raised at His Native Place, Vauvert, France.

Vauvert, France, Feb. 17.—The citizens of this town have started a subscription for the purpose of erecting at Quebec a statue to General Montcalm, the French commander, who was mortally wounded at the battle of the Plains of Abraham in 1759. Montcalm was born in Vauvert.

It has bee ndecided to have two statues of Montcalm made. One is to be kept in France and the other will probably be presented to Quebec. About 8,000 frances have already been subscribed.

MUTUAL RESERVE.

Receiver May be Appointed For Insurance Company.

Albank, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Attorney-General Jackson will make application in New York, probably to-day, for the appointment of a receiver for the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co., of New York, on the ground that the company is hopelessly insolvent. The company was investigated recently by examiners of the State Insurance Department. The action of the Attorney-General is based on the report of these examiners.

WILL BE DEPORTED.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Bessie Rumble, who kidnapped her two children Hazel, aged 7, and Winifred, aged 5, from the Children's Aid Society, in Chatham, Ont., last Friday, and drove from Chatham to Robert's Landing, nearly twenty miles, in an open wagon with the thermometer around the zero mark, and then drove across the St. Clair River on the ice to the Michigan side, was arrested last night and locked up at the Central Station by two immigration inspectors. With Mrs. Rumble were found her husband Albert, who arrived in Detroit last night, and Miss Lizzie Siddle, aged 21, who landed in Detroit about three months ago. The inspectors say all will be deported.

BOY STABBED TO DEATH.

Fatal Fight in House of Correction at Randall's Island.

New York, Feb. 17.—One boy is dead from stab wounds and three others seriously hurt as a result of a fight at the House of Correction on Randall's Island in which twenty boys participated. The dead boy was Moyer O'Shansky, fifteen years old. Raffello Sfonzo, the same age, is under guard at the institution charged with having inflicted the wound which caused O'Shansky's death. All the bays involved in the trouble were inmates of the institution.

The fight occurred last Saturday evening, when 240 boys were at recreation in the play room of the big building, but it did not become known outside the institution until after O'Shansky's death. There were several officers in the play room when the fight broke out. Only about twenty boys were actually engaged, but the others crowded around them so closely that the officers had great difficulty in reaching the combatants. O'Shansky and Sfonza were fighting against the others, using knives they had stolen in the school room, and Ffonza stabbed his friend by accident.

LONG TERM FOR BIGAMIST.

Arthur Hyne Sentenced to Seven Years in Prison.

Bristol, Feb. 17.—Arthur Hyne, the man of many aliases, who has been on trial here charged with bigamy and fraud in connection with matrimonial advertisements, was to-day sentenced to seven years' imprisonment on the bigamy count and to five years for fraud, these sentences to run concurrently. Hyne pleaded guilty to both charges.

Hyne is a dentist, with an American diploma. He is believed by many persons to be identical with George Witzhoff, or Albert Bessemer, or A. C. Weston, who several years ago married a number of women in America and then disappeared after having secured various sums of money from them.

He left the United States in the summer of 1905 and was arrested in England last month. He is said to have lived in Baltimore, Chicago, St. Louis and elsewhere, and to have married women wherever he went.

PLEADING FOR HIS WIFE.

Wagner Sentenced to Eight Years in the Penitentiary.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—Judge Choquette to-day sentenced J. Wagner to eight years in the penitentiary and Rose Freeman to two years, for burglary. When sentenced Wagner made a plea for his wife. "Your Honor, the only favor I ask of you, if you have come to a convicting decision, is the sentence you are going to give to my wife give it to me. My wife is innocent, your Honor. Whatever time you are going to give her give it to me; I will do it; give it to me."

The Judge's reply did not show any spirit of leniency. "You are a burglar. I see nothing in your conduct to make me lenient with you, or in the conduct of your wife to make me lenient with her. You are a dangerous man and a thief. You are a foreigner as well. We

BOY USES HIS KNIFE

He Took Revenge for a Beating at Checkers.

A St. Catharines despatch: Last night a stabbing affray which might have resulted seriously occurred. A young lad named Rouse and a man named Carlton had spent the evening playing checkers in the Russel House livery, where Carlton won five games from the boy, who became enraged at his loss. When the play ceased and Carlton started for home the boy followed him, and, overtaking him in front of the Russell House, stabbed him in the arm just below the elbow. Dr. Jory dressed the wound, which fortunately will not prove serious.

NEW SHOPS AT BATTLE CREEK.

Grand Trunk to Spend Three Millions in Michigan Town.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—The Grand Trunk has decided to build new fireproof repair shops at Battle Creek, Michigan, similar to the new shops at Stratford, and it has been reported that upon them more than $3,000,000 will be spent. It is not intended that these shops will divert to the States any of the work that is now being done in Canada.

"Your husband says that when he is angry he always counts ten before he speaks," said one woman. "Yes," answered the other; "and I wish he'd stop it. Since he got dyspepsia home seems nothing but a class in arithmetic."

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