Departure of the Funeral Ship With the Premier's Remains.

CEREMONIES AT PORTSMOUTH

A Special Train of Five Carriages' Carry the Remains From London-The Body Taken on Board the Blenheim With all the Honors of an Imperial Minister.

LONDON, Dec. 24.-The final honors in England to the rentains of the late Sir John S. D. Thompson, Premier of Canada, were paid in the removal of his body to the first-class twin screw cruiser Blenheim, at Portsmouth, to be transported by that vessel to Halifax. At 8 o'clock the hearsewhich was to convey the body to the Victoria station drew up in front of the undertaking establishment of Messrs. William Grastin & Sons, where the body has lain since the funeral services, which were held over it in the Chapel of Our Lady in Spanish Place, on Dec. 14. The doors of the mauseleum were thrown open, and the coffin containing the body of the Canadian statesman was carried out by a number of employes of the undertaking establishment and placed in the hearse. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack, but with this exception nothing was placed upon it. After the coffin had been placed in the hearse the carriages, seven in number, got into line and the little procession started on its way to the Victoria Station. The first carriage immediately behind the hearse was filled with wreaths and crosses, the gifts of | bishops of the Roman Catholic Church in friends and admirers of the dead man. The procession arrived at Victoria station about 10 minutes to 9 o'clock.

The special train which was to convey the remains to Portsmouth consisted of five carriages. The carriages set apart for the transportation of the coffin had been arranged as a chapel, with profuse draperies of white and black. The coffin, which was still covered by the Union Jack was placed upon a small catafalque, which had been erected in the centre of the carriage. Accompanying the body in the mortuary car were Senator Sanford, Father Longinotto, of St. Edward's Roman Catholic church of Windsor, and Mr. Colmer, Secretary of the Canadian Offices.

Above the coffin, after it had been laid upon the catafalque in the funeral car, was placed a Canadian flag, with its edges draped with crape. The laurel wreath sent by the Queen with a card inscribed, "A mark of sincere affection, Victoria, R.

L," lay upon the coffin. The train arrived at Portsmouth at 11.20 a.m., having made the journey of 95 miles in two hours and ten minutes. The bright sunlight which had shone upon the train. the entire distance had disappeared, and the passengers were greeted with heavy winds and strong gusts of rain, A dozen or more officers were attached to the Portsmouth garrison, together with a few officers belonging to the various warships in Portsmouth Harbor, where standing upon the platform as the train stopped at the dock immediately opposite Her Majesty's warship Blenheim, which was lying at the jetty awaiting the arrival of the body. In addition to the officers mentioned the officers of the Blenheim were also on the platform and eight marines wearing crape were in readiness to act as pall bearers.

The Right Rev. John Virtue, Catholic Bishop of Portsmouth, attired in his eyiscopal robes, stood with a group of priests, officials, etc., under the cover of an awning waiting for the rain to cease.

Lord Edward Pelham Clintou, Master of the Household, was present on the platform as the representative of the

Capt. Carslake, in charge of 100 marines anc 400 bluejackets from her Majesty's gunboat Excellent, composing a guard of honor, Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell, Gen. Geary and Captain Douglas, arrived at 11.35. Upon their arrival the first minute gun was fired and the flags of all the ships in the harbor were lowered to half-mast.

When the minute guns began booming Father Longinotto took his place at the head of the procession. He was followed by the Bishop of Portsmouth, wearing purple cape and purple berretta, and supported by two priests. Then followed the coffin borne upon the shoulders of eight bluejackets.

As the procession moved the band of the garrison played the "Dead March in Saul." The band consisted of a hundred pieces. Behind the coffin came the mourners. The pall-bearers, carrying the coffin, and the mourners, walked between two companies of marines from the Blenheim on one side and 300 bluejackets from the gunboat Excellent on the other side, all of them with arms reversed.

All the open places, gangways, etc., on the shore side of the cruiser Blenheim were filled with red-coated marines standing at the "salute," and the bridge of the cruiser was covered with serried ranks of bluejackets. The remainder of the crew were on deck and below. The mourners numbered about a dozen, and were followed in the procession by various naval and military officers in uniform, the Mayor of Portsmouth and the members of the Portsmouth corporation, the latter in their robes

of office edged with fur. As the procession passed in from the train the sunshine gleamed upon the long and highly-polished guns of the cruiser, and threw a golden light upon the imperial standard at her mainmost and the flags at her bow and stern, all of which were at half-mast. The sight presented was a brilliant one, and more suggestive of a gala occasion than of a ceremony designed to confer high honors upon the memory of the dead. The strong wind, which was blowing continually, tossed the draped flag which covered the coffin, requiring constant watching lest it should be blown away altogether. The main gangway of the Blenheim was covered with black

As the coffin was taken on board it was received on the main deck by the officers of the Blenheim. The officers who marched in the procession did not go on board, but remained grouped on the pier. After the officers of the Blenheim had saluted the body the coffin was carried astern. The coffin was lowered to the cabin by means

of tackle. The coffin was placed in the captain's cabin on the starboard side, after the fittings of the captain's cabin had been removed, and the walls were entirely covered with black cloth, edged with white cord. The catafalque was erected in the centre of the cabin. It was made three feet high, and had two steps. The catafalque is draped in the same manner as the walls of the cabin. The coffin was covered with the Canadian Imperial standard. The Union Jack, rolled up, was

placed upon the top of the Canadian standard. Upon the head of the coffin was also placed the wreath which was placed there by the Queen with her own hands, before the body was removed from Windsor, with the card and white ribbons still attached to it. The crucifix was sur rounded with a wreath of holly, bearing the card with the inscription, "A simple tribute of respect to the memory of a true British patriot, from G. H. Croxden Poweil." Four marines belonging to the Blenheim were stationed at the corners of the catafalque, with their guns at atten-

After the coffin had been placed upon the catafalque the Bishop of Portsmouth and the clergymen attending him said a few prayers, lasting about five minutes, and then withdrew. When the prayers were over, the people who thronged the dock were admitted to the cabin.

A number of sailors, under the direction of an officer, secured the casket to the deck with heavy white cords, making it impossible for it to be thrown out of place during the voyage.

The Bleinheim sailed from Portsmouth at 8.45 o'clock yesterday morning. All the vessels in Portsmouth harbor had their flags at half-mast when the Blenheim steamed away with her Union Jack flying. THE STATE FUNER AL.

Those Who Will Be Asked to Attend

It-A Cabinet Meeting.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24 -In connection with the arrangements, I the funeral of the late Premier, the Government have authorized the following notice, which it is hoped will be accepted by those interested, in lieu of personal letters of invitation. The government desire the attendance of: The Lieutenant Governors of the Provinces, and the Lieutenant-Governor of the Territories, the Archbishops and Canada; the general superintendent and presidents of the various Conferences of the Methodist Churches in Canada, the moderators of the General Assembly of Presbyterian Church of Canada, and the moderators of the various Synods of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Primate of Canada, the Archbishop of Ontario and the bishops of the Church of England in Canada, the presidents and vice presidents of the Baptist Conventions in Canada, the president of the Lutheran Synod of Canada, the chairmen of the various Congregational Unions in Canada, the bishops of the Reformed Episcopal Church in Canada, the bishop of the African Methodist Church, the superintendent of the British Methodist Church, the commandant of the Salvation Army, representative Rabbi's of the Jewish Church, and also a representative from each of the other religious denominations in Canada, which are not enumerated in the foregoing list, the members of the Government, the privy councillors not of the Cabinet, the speaker of the Senate with mace bearer, the chief justices of the Supreme Court of Canada, the Judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada, the chief justices of the Superior courts throughout Canada, the commander of the militia, the members of the Senate, the speaker of the Commons with mace bearer, the members of the House of Commons, the premiers of the various provinces, the speaker of the Legislative Councils of Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, the speaker of the Legislative Assemblies of the various Provinces, the clerk of the Senate, the clerk of the Commons, the Auditor General, the librarians of Parliament and the deputy ministers of the various departments at Ottawa.

It is especially requested that those intending to avail themselves of the foregoing invitation intimate their intention at once to the Minister of Railways and Canals, at Ottawa, so that he may arrange adequate train accommodation from Ottawa to Halifax and return: The exact date of the funeral and the definite train arrangements will be published as soon as

The first meeting of the Cabinet since Mr. Bowelf became Premier was held on Saturday. Speaker White was in the city. The Ministers have taken charge of their new departments. Hon. Mackenzie Bowell has gone to the Privy Council, and Mr. Ives has crossed over to the other block to Trade and Commerce. Sir Hibbert Tupper has taken his place in the Justice Department and Mr. Costigan has gone to the Marine and Fisheries Department, which Sir Charles has just vacated. Mr. Costigan will look after the State Department until Mr. Dickey returns to the city.

Arrested for Murder. OTTAWA, Dec. 26.-Frank Johnston, a farmer living on the Quebec shore of the Ottawa river almost immediately opposite Rockland, is in the Hull police station with the awful suspicion hanging over him of having compassed the death of Joseph Bertrand, of Buckingham, who

has been missing since December 1st. It is said that a little daughter of Johnston's told that her father quarreled with a man whom he stabbed with a pitchfork and afterwards buried in the brushwood. This appears to be the foundation for Johnston's

Awful Deed of a Drunken Man. VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 26 .- AC.P.R. laborer named Frederick Ashwood, while erazy with drink, shot, his wife and two children while they were asleep in bed. The wife and one child are dead, and the other child is dying. Ashwood then ran out of the house and attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself, but he only succeeded in inflicting scalp wounds. He then threw himself in front of a tram car, but it was stopped in time to save him from being killed. The motorman captured him, and he is now in jail.

Accidental Shooting at Lachine, MONTREAM; Dec. 26.-An acidental shooting took place at Lachine, hear this city, yesterday, and gave rise to alarming report of a murder. Miss Harvey, the daughter of the proprietor of the Harvey hotel, Lachine, was shot by the accidental discharge of a gun which was lying in the hotel. Miss Harvey received painful injures, but her condition is not regarded as serious.

Big Fire in Lumber Yards. BURLINGTON, Va., Dec. 28.-A fire broke out in Booth's lumber yards in this city, which by great effort was kept within the yards. The loss will reach about \$100,000. Mr. Booth's loss reached \$85,000. Twenty freight cars on the Central Vermont tracks were burned. Fifteen of them were loaded. The insurance is about \$60,-000 for Booth and the other losses are well covered:

Convicted for Stealing Corn. WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 24.-John Jackson, of Belle River, was tried by Magistrate Bartlett on Saturday on the charge of stealing corn from Henry Girard. The evidence went to show that several farmers n the vicinity of Belle River were missing grain and suspected Jackson of being the guilty party. He was convicted and ant an for three months.

The South and West Coasts Swept by a Tremendous Gale:

LOSS OF LIFE VERY HEAVY

Several Vessels Go Down With All Mands-The Traffic in Liverpool Suspended -The North-west of Ireland Suffers Very Severely-

Disasters to Shipping.

LONDON, Dec. 24. - Astremendously heavy gale set in on Saturday, the south and west of England and Southern Ireland being the centre of the storm. Reports from Ireland state that at Langford the streets are strewn with debris. Many trees were uprooted and much, other damage was done. At Belfast three persons were killed in their beds by falling walls and debris. The severity of the storm has not been equalled in many years.

It is reported that a schooner was sunk off Liverpool and that all the crew were drowned. A steamer is ashore at South End. The schooner Helen Mar is reported wrecked at Ardogena Head, near Ardmore, Ireland, and three of her crew drowned. The captain was washed ashore, having provided himself with a lifebelt. He was still alive; but completely exhausted.

Owing to the fury of the gale all traffic in Liverpool has been suspended. Such was the force of the wind that a tram-car on one of the lines in the city was driven into another car of the same line. One person was killed and three others were painfully injured. Two other persons were killed by being caught under a brick wall which was blown down.

Advices from Belfast, Ireland, state that the American ship Kennebec, Capt Sawyer, at that port from Port Blakely, was torn from its moorings by the gale and collided with several vessels, among them a tug, which was so badly damaged that it was found impossible to keep it affoat, and which was abandoned in a sink-

ing condition. Reports of death and damage to property are received constantly. Three fishing smacks went down off Stornaway, on the Scotch coast, and all three crews, numbering 22, were drowned. The British barque Kirkmichael, which was driven on the breakwater at Holyhead, has filled. Twelve of her crew were saved with the breeches buoy and seven were drowned. Many cotters on the Donegal coast have lost their huts in the storm: At Teelin a house collapsed and the three occupants were killed. In Stranorlar two persons were killed by a falling chimney. Several vessels went adrift in Aberdeen harbor and grounded. The roof of the Macdonald art gallery was ripped open and many valuable pictures were injured. The brig Loven was wrecked in the Frith of Clyde near Androssen and her crew of five were drowned. At Loch Winnoch, near Paisley, part of a three-story cabinet factory were wrecked. Forty persons were buried in the ruins. Four Were killed outright and twenty were seriously injured. The proprietor was struck in the back by a

falling timber and is dying. At Lancaster the wind blew the roof off a house and the whole structure collapsed, burying three persons in the cellar. All were seriously injured. Several other houses in the course of building were demolished. At Morecambe several smacks were sunk. At Grimsby a workshop collapsed, burying 20 persons. One was killed and three were seriously injured. Telegraph wires, timber stacks, trees, etc., were blown down in all directions. At Buxton the new town hall was unroofed and partly wrecked. At Lilburn five factory chimneys were overturned and great damage was done. In Belfast the damage ione by the storm is enormous. A number of factories and houses were deniolished. At Hollywood a downshire house was wrecked. At Newry a brewery chimney was blown down, and the local railway was so badly damaged that traffic will

have to be suspended for several days. A chimney of the infirmary in Blackurn was blown down crashing into the children's ward. Seven children were carried down with the debris. While police and firemen were trying to rescue the children the lower floor collapsed and all fell into the cellar. One policeman, the cook and six children were severely injured. Word comes from Liverpool that another vessel had foundered and five of her crew had been drowned, a life boat going to the rescue was blown adrift and lost. In Mersey, six smacks were sunk. Four sailors are dying in the hospitals of broken heads. The Mersey ferry was compelled to stop running for saveral hours-a most anusual occurrence. It is estimated that the wind blow 87 miles an hour.

A despatch from Belfast says that several vessels were blown ashore in the Lough. The crews of some of them have been rescued. Among the rescued are the paptain, his wife and 15 of the crew of the British bark, Noel. They clung to the rigging for several hours exposed to a bitter north-wester. The vessel was dash-

The coast steamship Brook was stranded near Berwick, Scotland, and her crew were brought ashore with the breeches buoy. The gables were blown off a dozen houses in Yarmouth, and the tide in the river Yare rose several feet above the normal high water mark. Hundreds of houses have been flooded. Scores of small steam ers and sailing vessels have grounded along the coast. The majority of them will be floated. Numerous cases of death or severe injury from falling timbers, trees and chimneys have been reported this afternoon from all parts of the United

Kingdom. Dispatches from the continent-say that Northern France and Germany also suffered severely from the storm, although the loss of life and property cannot be estimated as yet. At Hamburg many vessels went adrift and collided or grounded. The tide was the highest seen since 1882. The lower part of Wilhelmshaven on the North Sea, were flooded and the dykes would have gone if the garrison had not worked energetically for hours to strengthen them. Luebeck and Colberg also suffered much damage.

The north-west of Ireland seems to have fared worse than any other part. Many causalties have been reported there. The breaking of the telegraph, wires delays reports. It is believed that parts of Scotland

London, Dec. 2d. Reports of the storm received from all parts of England show that immense damage has been caused by the recent gales. The loss will reach tens of thousands of pounds., Many buildings have been blown down, and telegraph wires have suffered greatly. Traffic has been completely suspended in many places on account of the floods. Many ships have been driven ashore by the winds. Thirty or forty persons have already been reported

dead as a result of the storm, while hundreds have been injured. Eight persons, while attempting to escape from the barque driven ashore at Holyhead, were drowned. A chimney at Sheffield was blown down. Six persons were killed and many injured.

Details of the storm indicate that more than fifty persons lost their lives in different sections. It is impossible to estimate the damage, as reports from different sections of the United Kingdom swell the list of accidents and wrecks hourly. - The gale is said to be the worst known in thirty

Reports received from various parts of Great Britain show that the gale has

Reports of loss of life and damage to property continue to come in from all directions. At Girvan, Scotland, a show caravan was caught in the gale and capsized. Some of the covered vans were set on fire and four persons were burned to death. At Fleetwood, Lancashire, two fishing boats were sunk and all hands on board were lost. The interruption of telegraphic communication with Scotland continues although the winds have abated. It is estimated that the total loss of life by the storm will reach one hundred and twenty.

The British bark Minnie Brown, Captain Davis, was wrecked off West Hoyle in the gale and all hands were drowned.

CHRISTMAS DAY CRIMES-

Fatal Occurrences Attending the Festive Season in the Republic. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.-A special from Gainesville, Fla., says : W. S. Johns,

a prominent farmer who lives near this place, shot and killed a negro who attempted to ravish Mrs. Johns. Johns has not been arrested. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 26.-A special from

Springfield, Ohio, says: Albert Lawson, a 16-year-old colored boy, was arrested for criminally assaulting the six-year-old daughter of Vincent Egi. At the police station the child's mother attacked the prisoner and would have killed him but for the intervention of officers. CHARLESTON, S.C., Dec. 26.-A special

from Latta, S.C., says: An attempt was made to wreck train No. 23 between Latta and Sellers. Cross ties were piled up in five different places on the track, but the engine succeeded in throwing them from the track. No damage was done. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.-A special

colored, shot and killed Alice Johnson also colored. White people are now guarding the jail to prevent the negroes from storming it and lynching Cain. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—At Gains-

from Lake City, Fla., says Jesse Cain,

ville, Fla., a tramp known as "Texas" shot and killed a West Indian sailor named Perries. The murderer escaped. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—A special from West Polm Bench, Fla., says: At a

negro ball here Letta Dickson cut Joseph ine Johnston's throat, killing her al most instantly. The murderer escaped. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—A special from Arcadia, Fla., says: John Haygood, a young white man, was shot and killed by Miles Ward, a policeman. Ward fled

and posses are in pursuit. If he is caught he will be lynched. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 26 .- Mrs. John Williams, of Ridgley, caused the arrest of her husband on a peace warrant two weeks ago and he was locked up in jail here for having threatened to kill her. Mrs. Williams relented and in order that her husband might spend Christmas out of jail, she induced her brother-in-law, Thomas Pritchard, to go on his bond. Williams went to the home of Pritchard where his wife was staying and flourishing a butcher knife declared he would kill her. Pritchard sprang between the infuriated man and his wife and grabbed a shot-gun. Williams lunged at Pritchard

Pritchard gave himself up. EUFAULA, I.T., Dec. 26.-J. F. Benedict, a farmer living at Bush Hill, near here, was assassinated at a dance at the place. Benedict was on the floor dancing when an unknown man stepped to the door and fired one shot and he fell to the floor dead.

with the knife and the latter fired. The

top of Williams' head was blown off.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Augusta Costa, 25 years old, an Italian living at 161 Bleecker street, was cut in the abdomen by a man known as Lucar, whose residence is unknown. The wounded man was taken to St. Vincent's hospital and will probably die. Lucar escaped.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 26,-August Birch. 18-years-old, of this place, was found dead hanging in the ventilator of a freight car in the Alleghany Valley railroad yards at 9 o'clock last night, Edage Wood and Charles Cavanaugh, who spent the day with Birch, were arrested, but they claim to know nothing of his death.

WASHINGTON, Ala., Dec. 26,-A special from Gadeden, Ala , says: Bob Higgins was shot and probably fatally wounded by Mrs. A. J. Dempsey, Mr. Dempsey was absent from home, and Higgins, who was drunk, went to his house and tried to get in. Mrs. Dempsey, without opening the door, warned him several times to leave, and on his continuing to hammer on the door she placed a pistol against the door and fired. The ball entered Higgins' body.

Bripgerout, Conn., Dec. 26.-Joseph Neisces, a ilungaran, was perhaps fatally stabbed in a fight by Stephen Muria. The men had quarrelled over a game of pool.

FITTSECRO. Dec. 26. John Johnston, his wife Anna, Daniel Herron and wife, and Seerge Cassell, all colored, spent Christmas at Johnston's home on Webster Ave. The time was spent in eating and drinking and toward evening the party became quarrelsome. Herron attempted to shoot Johnston The latter's wife jumped between therd to stop the fight and received a shot in her right side. She will die. Herron and wife ran away but later were arrested.

Menier's Big Jump.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y., Dec. 26.-Henry Menier, of New York, the young man who with the aid of a parachute made a successful jump from the Brooklyn bridge a short time ago, yesterday made a successful leap from the highest span of the Poughkeepsie bridge, a distance of 217 feet into the water. A boat was in waiting, which picked him up. He was not injured in the least,

· Relief for Nebraska's Farmers. BALTIMORE, Dec. 26. - In view of the destitution reported fram Nebraska because of the loss of the corn crop the Manufacturers Record suggests that a solid train of corn and meat be contributed by the south and shipped to Nebraska. The south has been blessed with an enormous corn crop this year and its meat houses are filled to overflowing.

Murdered in a Lumber Camp. SENEY, Mich., Dec. 26.-Timothy Kane, camp foreman for the Manitou Lumbering Company, was murdered by Isaac Stetcher on account of an old grudge. Stetcher is under arrest.

Rube Miles, a Canadian Sport, Killed in a Quarrel.

SAID TO BE IN SELF-DEFENCE

His Murderer Gives Himself Up and Bears. Evidence of Having Been Severely Handled-The Unfortunate Man is Said to be From Brantford.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Shortly after the races at Alexander Island were over Ruben Miles, of Canada, commonly known as "Big Rube," was shot and killed by Thomas Craven. The shooting took place in a saloon at Jackson City, just below the race track.

Both parties were friends and began skylarking while drinking. During the scuffle Craven was knocked down. He quickly regained his feet and ran behind the bar, where he procured a revolver. Taking aim, he fired, the ball penetrating Miles' left breast. The wound proved mortal, Miles dying, while being taken in a carriage to a hospital. The dead man was trainer for J. J. Ryan, owner of Jim Lamb, who was recently ruled off for crooked work in attempting to blackmail Judge McMahon, owner of the horse Ponge de Leon, who won a selling race.

Craven held the crowd at bay for nearly ten minutes and then slipped away by a rear door and has not been captured. In the afternoon Craven gave himself

up to the police. He claims to have acted in self-defence and his appearance substantiates this claim. He said he was knocked down and kicked in the face and chest by Miles and he has a broken nose to show for the rough treatment he received. In addition to this his eye is black and his fuce terribly scarred and there is a foot, print on his shirt front.

The body of Miles was removed to Alexandria where the coroner will hold an inquest. Miles was from Brantford, Ont.

BATTLE OF KUNG WASAI-

The Defeated Garrison of Hai Cheng Intercepted While Making for Moukden. LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Antone corres pondent of the Central News says that Gen. Yamagatis' division of the secont

Japanese army has advanced northward

steadily for a month and on Dec. 18 occupled Kai Ping. On Dec. 17th, scouts reported to Lieutenant Gen. Katsura then near Lach Yang that a large force of Chinese had been moving in the direction of Lach Yang. This force proved to be the defeated garrison of Hai Cheng, under the command of Gen Sung. They were then in a rather demoralized condition and were making

for Moukden. Katsura decided to inter-

cept them. He left camp with his whole

force and overtook the Chinese at the village of Kung, where they made an obstinate stand. Three bayonet charges eventually won the day for Katsura after five hours of the hottest fighting yet experienced by the second army. The Chinese faltered as the third advance began and then fled in disorder toward Ying Kow. The losses are

not known, but the Chinese are reported

to have left 500 men on the battlefield. For the Autonomy of Armenia. WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 26.-In the church of Our Saviour, a national convention of the Armenians in America was held yesterday and it was resolved to appeal to the powers of Europe and to the United States government to compel the Porte to grant Armenia autonomy and freedom and to make amends for the butchery in the Sassoun region. Delegates. were present from New York city, Philadelphia, Troy, N. Y., and points throughout New England, and letters were re-

Buried in a Gravel Bank,

ceived from Chicago and-other distant

BOSTON, Dec. 26. - While several children were playing at Wellesley hill in a gravel bank, a mass of sand and gravel lossened by frost fell upon them and completely buried the two sons of Seldon L. Brown and the son of Dr. Tobey, of Lancaster, who was visiting Mr. Brown's family. When assistance arrived little Seldon Brown's body was discovered beneath a mass of rock and sand. The other boys were rescued. Seldon was about 12 years

Found Murdered in a Canal.

DOYLESTOWN, Pa., Dec. 26.—The body of Ferdinand Conger was found in the canal at Morrisville with a knife sticking in his breast. He had evidently been murdered. He was known to carry considerable money with him, but when his body was found there were but twenty-five dollars in his pockets. John Morrell, an Italian, who last saw Conger alive, has been arrested to await the result of the coroner's inquest.

Indian Murderers Arrested.

BANGOR, Maine, Dec. 26 .- Sheriff Reed and his posse have taken into enstody. Joseph Newell and Grabrael, the Indians who murdered Camille Nassau and Charles Langley. They then proceeded to view the scene of the tragedy where the awful spectacle of the bodies of the two murdered men partly burned was presented. The Indians have made no statement, but the tragedy is supposed to have resulted from a drunken row.

- A Brutal Murder,

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26,-Emil J. Nosseck, 32 years of age, was beaten to death in Detroit. He was escorting a lady home when five young men insulted his companion. He resented their conduct and they attacked him, beating and kicking him to death. The alleged murderers, who are under arrest, give their names as John Fastender, Edward Shields, Max Dettloff, Fred Karkofski and Emil Middlestoat.

A Pessenger Train Wrecked,

PRESCOTT, Ari., Dec. 26.-The east-bound passenger train, No. 2, on the Atlantic and Pacific road, was wrecked six miles west of Ashford. A broken rail was the cause. The day coach was turned upside down, and the tourist car was thrown 30 feet from the road bed. Several passengers were painfully injured.

Fatal Collision on the Blg Four. LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 26.-Two freight trains collided yesterday on the Big Four road, about three miles southeast of here. Both engines were demolished. Engineer Elijah Campbell was killed and buried under the wreck of his engine. An anknown tramp who was stealing a ride was also killed and several were injured.

An Editor Killed by a Train. Boston, Dec. 26.-Editor McEwan, editor of the Baintree Observer, was struck and killed by a train at Baintree.