

DEATH AFTER QUARREL.

Minneapolis Contractor Ends Spree by Killing Wife—Then Shoots Self.

Minneapolis, Long Island, Sept. 8.—Martin J. Smith, a local carpenter and building contractor, shot and killed his wife and then shot himself here this morning.

The neighbors say Smith, after a period of sobriety, returned home on Saturday night intoxicated. A quarrel is said to have followed.

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SAVE CHILDREN FROM DEATH IN FIRE.

Police and Fireman Carry Four from Burning Building to Street.

Four small children were rescued at a fire early yesterday from a three-story window in East New York by Thomas Smith, a fireman, and Patrolmen McCabe and Holwell.

The fire started on the ground floor. The family on the second floor got out safely through the smoke-filled hallway.

Patrolman Joseph Lambert went in after her. He had a hard struggle to get her out of the water, as she was being pulled down by a rowboat.

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DERRICK FALLS; WRECKS STAIRWAY.

Negro Woman and Child "Rescued" from Second Story Amid Crowd's Cheers.

A derrick on a building under construction at 41st street and Seventh avenue fell yesterday afternoon, smashing through the brick wall of the three-story brick and frame building adjoining, completely wrecking the stairway from the first to the second floor.

A small panic in a Chinese restaurant on the ground floor followed, and there was a wild exodus of cooks, waiters and customers. A Mrs. Brown, a negro, and her three-year-old daughter were on the second floor and could not get down, but the woman employed the time pleasantly by screaming until a brilliant man in the crowd got a ladder.

The damaged structure was pronounced unsafe.

WOMAN LOSES JEWELS ON SHIP.

Left Them in Lavatory Bathroom and They Disappeared, She Says.

Mrs. Charles Barkley, a first cabin passenger on the French liner La Savoie, yesterday from Havre, told to the bathroom of the steamer when in mid-Atlantic a small bag containing considerable jewelry, including a number of diamond rings and pins, she said she left the bag in the bathroom for a few minutes, and on returning the jewels were missing.

She sent a wireless message of the loss to Dr. William A. Ewing, a relative, No. 124 West 58th street. He communicated with Police Headquarters, and Detectives Moody and Leson met the steamer when it docked.

Among the passengers on La Savoie was John Bigelow, who was American Minister to France in the administration of President Lincoln.

SALVATION LASS DISARMS MADMAN.

When He Draws Revolver at Barracks Meeting Everybody Else Gets Under Seats.

Just before the close of the meeting of the Salvation Army at its barracks at No. 255 Third avenue, last night, a man flourishing a revolver caused a panic. The revolver, however, was taken away from him by Augusta Zerl, captain of the barracks, and the man was allowed to go, although a policeman was standing outside all the time.

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TESTS OF FIRE DRILL.

The Dalceline Surprises the Taurus—Conveys Not Satisfied.

Matthew Conveys, Deputy Surveyor of Customs, who has been in command of the tugboat Dalceline, for two months, has been cruising about the harbor from Spuyten Duyvil to the fishing banks, enforcing the steamboat regulations on small craft, making an unexpected visit to four large steamboats on Saturday and called for a fire drill.

The Dalceline returned from Far Rockaway earlier than usual on Saturday, and Conveys ordered her to Edgewater, N. J., where the steamboat Taurus had tied up for the night. Accompanied by Acting Deputy Surveyor Smyth, Conveys went aboard the Taurus and ordered the captain to sound the alarm of fire. According to Conveys the drill was entirely inadequate.

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POLITICAL FIGHT ON.

Sommer, Fort and Katzenbach in Spotlight in Primary Contests.

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GIRL SAYS SHE WAS KIDNAPPED.

Lured Into Cab and Carried to the Tenderloin from East New York. Is Her Story.

Patrol Captain Reynolds, of the Brownsville station, East New York, his five detectives and several more detailed to the case by Inspector O'Brien were gunning around Brooklyn and Manhattan up to a late hour last night in an effort to unravel a kidnapping mystery put up to them by Miss Mildred Nadel, eighteen years old, of No. 1725 St. Mark's avenue, who says she was the victim.

Miss Nadel said over and over again to the inquisitive policemen that she was lured into a cab in Rockaway avenue, near Hull street, East New York, Saturday night, by a mysterious woman, flashy and dressed all in black; that a tall, dark man, wearing black clothing and derby, jumped into the conveyance, too, and that he clapped a thing over her face. She struggled a little, she said, but the woman conspirator held her hands. Then she remembered nothing more until she received several hours later somewhere in the Tenderloin.

The girl says she was drowsy when she came to, but, realizing her predicament, kept her head lowered and feigned sleep. "Get out and see if everything is ready in the house," she says the woman told her companion. He leaped out in front of a "nice three story building." The cab was then driven around the corner, where the woman got out, too.

Miss Nadel saw her opportunity and lowered herself quietly out of the cab and ran away. Several blocks away she almost fell into the arms of a policeman, who took her to the West 83rd street station.

This was at 2 o'clock in the morning, and the girl says she was lured to the cab at 8:30 in the evening. Her family missed her, and with her sweetheart, Abraham Donsger, of No. 308 New Jersey avenue, a law student, searched all over for her.

The girl is convinced that there are several others concerned in the plot against her. She has received a mysterious telephone message and calls. The police could find no one who saw the kidnapping, but, nevertheless, could not shake the girl's story.

Drinking from Spring, Man Drowns. Erlar Knekt on Brink, but Age Robs Arms of Strength, and Death in Pool Follows.

Somerville, Sept. 8.—Frederick Erlar, an aged German who has been a well known character about town for fifty years, and who had placed several hundred dollars in the bank to keep him in his old age, was found drowned in a small spring on John B. Dunster's farm to-day.

Erlar lived with Dunster. He was in the habit of drinking out of the spring by resting his weight on his arms and leaning over the brink until his lips touched the water.

Weakened with age, the old man's strength at last failed him. His arms were no longer strong enough to lift his body from the spring, and he slipped head first into the shallow pool and slowly drowned.

When found his feet were protruding from the top of the spring and his head was resting on the sandy bottom. Erlar had lived in Somerville nearly all his life, and saved a penny a day as a sick benefit and funeral fund.

"THAT BRUTE" PROVES A HERO. Saves Little Bessie from Passaic and Gets Bone and a New Name.

Two Bridge, N. J., Sept. 8 (Special).—"That brute" proved himself a hero to-day, and henceforth he will be called Prince. May be he is not a prize winning animal, with his big jaw, long ears, short legs and stocky body, but some time in the dim past his ancestors won renown, and "blood will tell."

The Passaic River creeps along nearly the Van Ness home, and alongside the river is a swing, where the Van Ness children were wont to enjoy themselves. Sunday is a long day for children, and this afternoon Willie Van Ness, the ten-year-old pride of the house, and his little sister Bessie sneaked over to the swing while Mr. and Mrs. Van Ness entertained one of the neighbors in the parlor.

Bessie went a "cry baby," but Willie was afraid she would tell mamma if he didn't give her a swing. First it was only a little bit of a swing, but Bessie wanted to kick the limb, and so Willie ran under the swing and shot her high in the air. The swing came down all right, and so did Bessie, "that brute" of the Van Nesses.

Right here is where "that brute" gained his new name. He ran like an entry for the fat man's race, but finally plunged into the water. It was only a matter of a few seconds for him to reach the little girl, as he used the approved overhead stroke. Willie says she was going down the second time, he might have held her, but "that brute" grasped her dresses between his teeth and headed shoreward. Mr. and Mrs. Van Ness and the caller got there in time to see "that brute" place his precious little burden on the bank of the river. Some dry clothing and a cup of ginger tea soon fixed up baby. Prince, as he is called now, feasted on a big roast beef bone this evening.

PRESIDENT MAY VISIT JERSEY. Has Been Asked to Speak at Unveiling of Garfield Monument at Long Branch.

Long Branch, Sept. 8 (Special).—The cornerstone of the Garfield monument in Ocean Park will be laid on Thursday, September 19th, the twenty-sixth anniversary of the martyred President's death in this city. The work of unveiling the foundation for the monument will start to-morrow.

BROOKLYN BOY LEADER.

Charlie Hunter in Charge of Republican Campaign in Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Okla., Sept. 8 (Special).—The Republican party organization, in charge of the first state campaign in the new state, is composed entirely of men who came to Oklahoma in the first days not as officeholders, but as pioneers who helped develop the territory.

When the first run was made for homes, back in 1890, two of the men who raced on horseback into the new country were Cash Cade, now national committee man, and Charles E. Hunter, now state chairman of the Republicans.

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