

THOMPSON ACCUSED OF LARCENY OF \$900 FROM MRS. HOWLAND

Spanish War Veteran of Company E Induced Mrs. Ira Howland of East Montpelier to Follow Him to Lowell to Invest Money.

SHE CLAIMS HE TOOK MONEY AND LEFT HER

John M. Thompson Arrested in Boston For the Larceny as He Was About to Sail With 4000 Kroners For His Native Denmark.

his former home in Denmark, being away from Barre about four months. On his return he went to work for Edward Ward. To some of his friends he confided that he was engaged to a young lady in Denmark. Some time later he caused the information to go out here that the young lady had sickened and died.

This statement was found to be incorrect, as last fall Mr. Ward received a letter from the young lady herself asking where Thompson was, and saying that he was going back to Denmark in October, and she had received no word from him for some time. After leaving Mr. Ward's Thompson went to work at Smith Bros' Stock Farm, where he remained until a few months ago. Recently he lived with friends in Plainfield. About ten days ago Thompson left Barre, and he told his friends that he was going back to his home in Denmark, and an item appeared in this paper to that effect. It was apparent that such was his intention, as he was arrested on the dock in Boston as he was about to take a boat.

When he was arrested by the Boston officers, the latter found among his effects documents showing that he enlisted with Co. E for the Spanish-American war. He is described as being 36 years of age, light complexion, and weighing about 160 pounds. Thompson has no record whatever in the local court, and Chief Brown says that he has never been arrested here.

WHO MRS. HOWLAND IS.

Lived on Farm on East Montpelier Road Until Two Weeks Ago.

Montpelier, Nov. 30.—Mrs. Matilda Howland, who was robbed of \$900 in Lowell, is the wife of Ira Howland. Prior to two weeks ago they owned a little farm on the East Montpelier road and did market gardening.

Two weeks ago they sold their little farm for \$1300 and moved to Montpelier. They took \$900 of this amount in notes, which Mrs. Howland last week sold for cash at a Barre savings bank.

Mr. Howland was desirous of investing this money in a house in Montpelier, but Mrs. Howland, who prides herself on little on her shrewdness, thought from some advertisements she had received that there was a better opportunity for investment in Lowell, and went there a few days ago to investigate.

Her husband had another deal on with a Montpelier real estate agency, provided that his wife did not buy a piece in Lowell.

THOMPSON PLEADED GUILTY.

Barre Man Admitted His Guilt this Morning.

Lowell, Mass., Nov. 30.—The case of John M. Thompson, charged with larceny here of \$900 from Mrs. Matilda Howland of Montpelier, Vt., was continued to tomorrow for further consideration.

Thompson pleaded guilty this morning. In his possession Saturday was found a letter of credit for \$1,100.

Mrs. Howland was not called to testify today but furnished security for her appearance tomorrow.

HAD READ DIME NOVELS.

Rutland Lads Punished for Burglary—The Boys Bought Liqueur.

Rutland, Nov. 28.—Three Rutland boys who had been reading dime novels, were brought to justice in city court this morning. The members of the gang for some time have been committing petty burglaries about the city. Harry Squire, aged 14, Walter Reed, aged 15, and Francis O'Keefe were charged with breaking into the Rutland creamery on West street Thanksgiving day and rifling the money drawer. They pleaded guilty. Squire and O'Keefe were sent to the industrial school at Vergennes for the remainder of their minority. The Reed case was held open. Several more boys probably will be arrested soon from the same gang. The boys told in court of purchasing whiskey at a local saloon. A session of the board of license commissioners was held after city court was adjourned. The liquor sellers may lose their licenses.

BANK PRESIDENT ARRESTED.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 30.—Albert C. Twining, president of the First National bank of Asbury Park, which is now in the hands of a receiver, has been arrested at Asbury Park and brought to Trenton to answer new charges of fraudulently obtaining money through note transactions and the misuse of his position in the bank. Twining gave bail in the sum of \$5,000. He was already under \$7,500 bail on two other charges that have not yet been tried.

NEW AGRICULTURAL LABORATORIES.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The secretary of agriculture has approved plans for the construction of three laboratory buildings for the department of agriculture at a maximum cost of \$1,500,000. The actual operations will begin soon. These structures form part of the general scheme of ten new buildings for the department. Only the money for the three laboratory buildings thus far has been appropriated.

FACT IN SWITZERLAND.

None of the rivers emerging from Switzerland being navigable, fuel must be transported by rail. This naturally makes fuel in that country very expensive; hence it does not pay to import any but the very best qualities of coal.

PERRY HEATH WILL RESIGN

On Account of Bristow's Revelations

IN POST OFFICE SCANDALS

H. S. New Will Probably Succeed Him as Secretary of Republican National Committee.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The announcement was made here this morning that in view of the revelations of Assistant Postmaster General J. L. Bristow's report on the postoffice scandals, Perry Heath, realizing the needs of the situation, will not embarrass his friends by asking for a vindication at the time, by a re-election as secretary of the Republican national committee, and, that at the meeting of the committee of the eleventh and twelfth of December, his successor will be chosen. It is thought that Harry S. New of Indiana, will probably succeed him, although L. A. Coolidge, a well-known Washington newspaper man, has been suggested for the place by his numerous friends.

In General Bristow's report made public today, the division of salaries and allowances is ventilated and the name of First Assistant Postmaster General Heath is brought in. Thousands of dollars were lost in a typewriter scheme where a certain make of machines was foisted on the government at twice the cost of other and better machines.

With regard to the sale of the Montana indicators to the government, and the formation of the company, letters passed indicating that Perry S. Heath desired certain of the stock made out in the name of Edwin B. Bacon, and the old stock destroyed.

NARROW ESCAPES.

Paris Underground Horror Nearly Reported.

Paris, Nov. 30.—The city was treated to two more fires in its underground railway system this morning, but luckily no one was killed or injured. The first fire occurred in a train containing 1000 workmen going to factories. When the alarm was given the occupants of the train jumped from the cars and found themselves penned in and unable to reach the air, precisely as the victims of the holocaust in the tunnel last summer were caught. The workmen over their escape to the fact that the fire broke out in a short space of uncoordinated track at Villlette. The smoke and gas thus had a chance to escape, and the men were not asphyxiated.

The second accident occurred near Barbès station and was similar to the first. A short circuit set fire to a car containing 300 passengers. These jumped from the car and no one was hurt as the tunnels escaped, the tracks being uncovered at that point.

TEN FORGERIES.

Startling Developments in the Dreyfus Case Today.

Paris, Nov. 30.—It is learned from a reliable source that Minister of War Andre, is going over the documents comprising the secret dossier of the trial of Captain Dreyfus at Rennes, has discovered that ten of the documents are forgeries, wholly or in part. Among the forgeries is the famous Borelan supposed to have been written in Emperor William's hand and alluding to "that cannibal." It is now established that the words originally were "that cannibal," the letter "g" having been scratched in an effort to transform it into a "d." This new development promises to arouse a sensational agitation and aid in revision of the original sentence against Captain Dreyfus.

THE RIGHT GIRL FOR ALASKA.

Miss Nina Ferguson, who formerly lived in Jefferson county, Ind., is at home in Indianapolis from Nome City, Alaska, and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Sutherland. Miss Ferguson and brother went to Nome about two years ago, and this is her first visit home, says the Indianapolis News. She recently disposed of one mine at a good price and still owns three good properties in the gold country. Miss Ferguson says that girls who do housework in Nome receive \$7.50 a day and are in greater demand than any other class. She says that college graduates have little or no show there, and the people wanted are the ones who can and will do all kinds of hard work.

ARE METALS ALIVE?

According to a writer in Harper's Weekly, a distinguished Hindu scientist, Jagadis Chunder Bose, professor of science in the Calcutta university, has asserted that the true test of life in an object is its capacity to respond to external stimulus—in other words, its irritability or sensitiveness—and it is claimed that, according to this test, there is no essential difference between animals and metals; that a bar of iron, in fact, is as irritable and sensitive as the human body. Further, he says a bar of iron can be killed—that is, deprived of its sensitiveness forever—just as an animal organism can be killed.

BIG FIRE IN BROOKLYN

Academy of Music Laid In Ruins.

LOSS WILL BE \$250,000

Decorators Were At Work Putting Hall In Shape For a Lecture This Evening.

Brooklyn, Nov. 30.—The Academy of Music was completely destroyed by fire this morning, nothing being left standing but the walls. No lives were lost but one fireman was slightly injured. Preparations were being made for a dinner to be given tonight to Senator McCarran, the Democratic leader of Brooklyn, when the flames were discovered in the flies over the stage. Detective electric light wire insulation is supposed to have been the cause. The loss is about \$250,000. It is said the owners carried no insurance.

CHIPPWAYS WANT LAND.

Declare That Their Property Has Been Taken From Them Illegally.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Joseph Nagahab, a Chippeway Indian of Minnesota and chief of a band that formerly occupied the Fond du Lac reservation, has instituted equity proceedings in the district supreme court against Secretary Hitchcock, alleging the unconstitutionality of the forestry act of June 27, 1902. The suit alleges that the Chippeways had a vested right in the lands there set aside for forestry purposes under that act and that the act is in violation of both that trust and of the constitution. It is alleged that as the matter now stands the Indians get nothing for the lands already sold for them and lose those remaining which are to be taken for forest reserves.

It is alleged that all this is sought to be done without regard to the express conditions of the trust upon which the Indians gave up their lands to the United States; that it is without the consent of the Indians and not only violates the agreements and conditions of the trust, but takes away their property without compensation and due process of law. This proceeding involves nearly 4,000,000 acres of land, worth more than \$10,000,000. The sale of certain of these lands and timber is advertised to take place Dec. 28 next, and it is sought by this suit to enjoin the sale. Judge Anderson has issued a rule against the secretary of the interior to show cause why he should not be enjoined from further proceedings to carry into execution the provisions of the act of June 27, 1902.

FIREHEAD INDIAN TROUBLE.

Missoula, Mont., Nov. 29.—Joseph Morrigueau, the Flathead Indian chief who was arrested with a band of followers for refusing to pay the cattle tax, has arrived here. Morrigueau is a wealthy Flathead graduate. He says he will test the law in the federal courts.

OF INTEREST TO GRANITE MEN.

The following order issued by General Freight Agent Dalrymple of the Central Vermont R. R. has just been received and goes into effect tomorrow: Owing to difficulty experienced at transfer points and destination stations by reason of the present method of marking shipments of granite, and the numerous claims which this company and our connections are called upon to consider for delay and frequently loss of shipments, improperly marked, we are obliged to give notice to our patrons that commencing December 1st, 1903, our agents at granite shipping stations will refuse to accept shipments of dressed granite in less than carload lots, unless each stone is boxed or crated and securely bound with strap iron and is plainly marked with designating number (agreeing with the bill of lading) and places of destination, (town and state), this marking to be legibly made in marking ink on the crating or boxing.

HAT OR CATS AT PLAY.

St. Albans, Nov. 29.—The fire department was called out about 5.30 o'clock Saturday evening by a slight blaze in the residence of E. P. Brainerd on Brainerd street. The fire which was extinguished before the arrival of the department was in the woodshed and was started by either a cat or a rat, gnawing a match in a waste paper basket, igniting the contents and the flames spread to some clothing hanging above. Several screens doors and a table were badly burned, but the damage was not exceed \$50. The fire department made an excellent run, being on the spot just four minutes from the time the alarm was rung in.

MONTPELIER.

Christ church, which has been undergoing repairs after the fire, was used yesterday for services for the first time.

Senator W. P. Dillingham has introduced a bill in Congress to raise the pensions of Stephen A. Thomas and T. F. Lamplier.

RED MEN ARE LEADING IN CRIBBAGE GAMES

First Series Concluded Saturday Night By 1 O. O. F. Defeating F. of A.

The F. of A. cribbage team defeated the C. O. F. Saturday evening in the last game of the first series. The standing to date shows the Red Men to be the leaders, the C. O. F. and I. O. O. F. tied for the second place and the Clan Gordon team the third, ending with the F. of A. next above them.

The score by tables was as follows: Alex. Ross and W. Taylor, F. of A., defeated Antoine Burke and M. Tierney, C. O. F.; Henry Caselli and George Stuart, F. of A., defeated F. M. Brown and Luke Gallagher, C. O. F.; James Patterson and W. Scott, F. of A., defeated P. A. Noonan and F. H. Nelson, C. O. F.; George Robertson and James Anderson, F. of A., defeated A. J. Loranger and J. E. McNulty, C. O. F.; A. Smith and A. Clark, F. of A., defeated W. Moore and M. W. Nelson, C. O. F.; Alfred Robertson and Fred Branshaw, C. O. F., defeated W. Mackle and W. Williams, F. of A.; W. W. White and P. McNulty, C. O. F., defeated G. J. Matthews and Peter Alexander, F. of A.; W. Kelley and T. Callaghan, C. O. F., defeated Alex. Stevens and Wm. Evans, F. of A.

The second series will start Dec. 1st with a game between the Red Men and I. O. O. F. teams and the F. of A. and Clan Gordon will play Wednesday evening.

The standing at the end of the first series is as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Red Men, C. O. F., F. of A., Clan Gordon. Rows show scores for each team.

FIRST UNION SERVICE

Held at the Baptist Church Last Evening With Good Attendance.

The first in the series of four union meetings preparatory to the evangelistic services next month, was held in the Baptist church last evening with an attendance of about 500 people. Rev. F. F. Lowe was the speaker, and he took his text as follows: "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh the sins of the world." Prayer was offered by Rev. F. A. Poole, and the singing was in charge of Mr. Goodfellow, the leader of the Methodist church choir. The next meeting of the series will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, Dec. 6, with the Rev. Mr. Poole as speaker.

FATALLY INJURED BY A FALL.

Death of Oliver H. Carpenter, a Well Known Brattleboro Man.

Brattleboro, Nov. 28.—Oliver H. Carpenter, 70 years old, a former selectman of Brattleboro, was fatally injured yesterday at his home in the northwest part of this town, death resulting late last night. He fell over the treads of a wagon striking on his head on the ground with great force. It is thought his skull was fractured.

He leaves two sons and a daughter, Mary J. Carpenter. He was formerly town superintendent of schools. Mr. Carpenter narrowly escaped death in a runaway accident a short time ago.

AN ENFORCED VACATION.

Work Temporarily Suspended in the Paper Mills at Windsor.

White River Junction, Nov. 28.—Most of the employees of the International Paper Co. in the paper mill at Windsor are taking an enforced vacation, work in that department having been suspended. The pulp mill is still running and giving work to the usual force. An accumulation of manufactured stock and low water in the Connecticut river, which furnishes to a great extent the power to run the plant, are the reasons assigned for a cessation of work in the paper department.

REACHES COLORADO SAFE.

State's Attorney F. A. Bailey Arrived There Yesterday.

Montpelier, Nov. 29.—Burton F. Bailey received a telegram this evening announcing the safe arrival of his brother, State's Attorney F. A. Bailey, at Colorado Springs today. Mr. Bailey suffered no more hemorrhages and stood the trip well. He feels much encouraged over his condition.

A GOOD RECORD.

Golden Dream, 2 16, Has Taken Five Firsts This Year.

Montpelier, Nov. 30.—Royal D'Arthay has just returned from a successful circuit with the fast pacer, Golden Dream, 2:16. Out of four starts, he got five firsts, four seconds and three thirds. He raced in many places in the New England states.

Capt. Brunelle in Burlington.

Burlington, Nov. 29.—Capt. G. B. Brunelle, an old Burlingtonian, is spending a few days in the city. Capt. Brunelle is with the U. S. signal corps service and has recently returned from Alaska on an expedition for the government installing telegraph poles. He was captain of the volunteer signal corps during the recent Cuban campaign, and did splendid work. He will go to New York and other points on a brief vacation.

Croto Trial This Week.

Montpelier, Nov. 30.—The adjourned session of county court will commence Tuesday. Court will come in in the morning, but the jury will not report until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The Croto murder case has been expected right along to be scheduled among the first.

West Point the Winner.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.—For the fifth time in the nine great foot ball games between West Point and Annapolis foot ball eleven, the West Pointers were victorious on Saturday, winning by a score of 40 to 5.

CLAIMED HE WAS ROBBED

Nathaniel Innis Said He Lost \$16.04.

HE WAS INTOXICATED

He Accused James Burke of Taking the Money But the Latter Was Not Arrested.

A woman named Innis, residing at 54 West street, reported to the police at half past two o'clock this morning that her father, Nathaniel Innis, had been robbed of some money at the Northern hotel on North Main street last night. Officer Wood called Grand Juror Scott, and then went to the hotel to investigate, the woman stating that the man who had done the robbing was being watched and could not get away. A man named James Burke was pointed out as the one who had spirited away the money. Burke was in bed. He was searched, and the room was searched, and only thirty-five cents was revealed. Burke was not arrested. In fact, the only arrest made was that of Nathaniel Innis who claimed he had been robbed. He was taken this morning by Constable Counts on a warrant charging him with intoxication.

The story told this morning by Mr. Innis who is a man of possibly 60 years, with a long flowing beard, was that he had a quart of whiskey sent up to his room in the forenoon. Events after 3 o'clock in the afternoon seem to be rather clouded in his mind up to the time that he discovered that he had been robbed, which was late last night after he had gone home, minus his cap. He enumerated his loss as follows, one five-dollar bill, one two-dollar bill, three one-dollar bills, two silver half-dollars, two and one-half dollars in ten cent pieces, and four Canadian cents.

When the old gentleman was arraigned in court this morning he pleaded guilty to the charge of intoxication and was fined \$5, with costs of \$7.50. Burke who was accused by the man, was a guest at the hotel. He resides in Montpelier and came to this city Saturday evening. Having missed the midnight train home, he says, he went to the Northern, intending to go home yesterday afternoon. The electric cars were out of commission yesterday afternoon, so he decided to make the most of the circumstances and remain at the hotel all night. He did so.

Innis succeeded in raising the money for his fines and costs, and paid it to the court this forenoon.

THE EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

Some Very Fine Work by Pupils—Awards For Excellence.

The evening drawing school which is held in the Averill block will close its fall term Dec. 15, and will open for the spring term Jan. 1st. The attendance at the term now drawing to a close has been nearly 50 pupils and the work done is excellent. A committee of six gentlemen, Carlo Abate, Edmond Mitchell, Carlo Marchesi, Carlo Franz, John B. Magnaghi and Angelo Della Bernardina, have examined the work done this term and awarded diplomas. Those marked 10 are the highest, 9 next and 8 third in rank. Those prizes winners are: Photographic copying—A. Fasola 10, F. Pratali 9, G. Magagnoli 9, A. Rossi 8, F. Comelli 8. Contour work—E. Pratali 10, M. Loffler 10, A. Tosi 9, D. Rossi 9, G. Frontini 9, F. Torchio 9 plus, T. McDonald 8, G. Comelli 8, A. Buscanno 8, F. McKee 8, E. Castell 8, G. Parlungo 8, G. Saggi 8, E. Giacobbe 8, F. M. Brault 8, F. Casali 8. Architectural drawing—P. Bottinelli 10, F. Bernasconi 9 plus, M. Pouti 8 pins, G. Bottaro 8. Plastic modelling—G. Tedeschi 10, F. Monti 8. The instructors in the school are G. Indulini and Joseph Cletel.

MRS. HARRIET AUSTIN.

Aged Lady Passed Away at Home of Daughter Yesterday.

Mrs. Harriet Austin, aged 80 years, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Stewart, 144 Elm street, after a long illness from disease of the heart and stomach. Mrs. Austin is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Sarah Dewey of Montpelier and Mrs. Fred Cressey of Brattleboro. Funeral services will be at the house Tuesday, at 12 o'clock. Rev. J. Edward Wright, officiating. Interment at Herlin Corner.

The Presbyterian Fair.

On Saturday last the ladies of the Presbyterian church decided to hold their fair, which begins Thursday evening of this week, in the Pavilion on Pearl street. This is the hall that has lately been enlarged and decorated by Mr. Hale. Those intending to contribute gifts may send them to the Pavilion at any time on Thursday after 9 a. m. As the hall in which the sale is to be held is very spacious and beautiful, the ladies desire to give a most cordial invitation to all the friends of the church to come in. Doors will open each evening at 6.30 and a finely-arranged program will be rendered at 8 o'clock. To see the decorations, to hear the concert, to enjoy the fellowship, will cost you but 10 cents. You will be there, won't you? Remember your place, back of Holton's jewelry store, Pearl street.