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JULES FERRY DEAD.

HIS SUDDEN DEMISE DUE TO HEART

TROUBLE.

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The City of Paris Astounded at His

Sudden Death—Sketch of M. Ferry's

Career—Mme. Ferry Interviewed—A

Serious Loss to the Government.

PARIS, March 18.—Jules Francois Camille

Ferry, the French statesman, is dead.

He died in the armchair in which for

years he had done all his writing, and

reading. All the members of his family

and Mme. Floquet were beside him to the

last. His last few minutes apparently

were painless.

The general feeling is although his elec-

tion to the presidency of the senate was

contrary to the wishes of M. Carnot and

M. Ribot, his death is a serious loss to the

government. In the case of another cabi-

net crisis he, in his official capacity,

would have been the first man to whom

they would have turned for advice.

It was with such an event in

view that M. Ferry's supporters in the

senate compelled his election in the room

of M. Leroyer, who was believed to lack

the qualities necessary for such a part in

the next crisis.

M. FERRY'S POLITICAL CAREER.

M. Ferry has been one of the most promi-

nent figures in France for the past 14

years. His first appearance in French

politics was in 1869 when he became a

member of the corps legislatif. In 1870 he

was prefect of the department of the

Seine. He was elected to the national

assembly in 1871 and in 1876 to the cham-

ber of deputies. M. Ferry gained consid-

erable celebrity in 1879 by his higher edu-

cation bill, on account of which he was

retained in the cabinet of Dreyfuss.

During the heated presidential cam-

paign of 1887 an attempt was made to as-

sassinate M. Ferry by a man named Au-

bertin, who walked into his office and

while engaged in conversation with him

suddenly drew a pistol and fired several

shots at him. M. Ferry was thought to

be only slightly wounded at the time.

CAUSE OF HIS DEATH.

M. Ferry's death was caused by heart

disease. The affection of the heart from

which he suffered was due to the effects

of a bullet striking a rib near the base of

the heart at the time he was attacked by

Aubertin.

M. Ferry was president of the senate at

the time of his death.

UNHAPPY BOSTON.

Another Conflagration Visited Upon the

Ill Fated City.

BOSTON, March 20.—Fire broke out about

7 o'clock yesterday morning in Tremont

temple on Tremont street, opposite the

Tremont House, and before long the en-

tire structure was gutted, entailing a loss

roughly estimated at \$375,000.

Fireman Patrick Dunn of engine 26 had

a leg broken, and another man, name un-

known, is reported to have been seriously

injured. The fire was discovered by one

of the guests on the fourth floor of the

Parker House, who had been aroused by

the smoke, and on going to his window

observed flames coming from the window

fronting him. He thought it

was the hotel, and on smashing the glass on

one of the signal boxes on his floor sent in

the first alarm.

When it was seen that there was no im-

mediate danger of the fire reaching the

hotel the guests proceeded to remove their

trunks. No mishaps are reported to the

Parker's guests.

The temple was a fiery furnace 20 min-

utes after the first alarm. The blaze

nourished from all the upper windows and threat-

ened the Burnham building and W. S.

Butler's building adjoining on Tremont

street, placing the Parker House and Park

hotel in danger in the rear and alarming

the firemen lest it should get down among

the rookeries on Province court.

The loss on the Temple is variously es-

timated at from \$325,000 to \$375,000, while

the Parker House is believed to have been

damaged by water to the extent of \$50,000.

Maxwell in the Harbors.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Robert A.

Maxwell, whose nomination for fourth

assistant postmaster general was con-

firmed Monday, was at the postoffice de-

partment yesterday morning and took

formal charge of the office. It is learned

that there are on file in the department

more than 5,000 resignations of postmas-

ters, many of the fourth class, and that

hundreds of them are considered and dis-

posed of before any cases of removal are

taken up. Very few of the cases where

resignations have been received are ready

for action.

Murdered in His Shop.

KALAMAZOO, Mich. March 22.—Some

time during the noon hour yesterday

Louis Schilling was murdered in the

office of his meatmarket on Portage

street. Schilling, who was one of the old-

est business men in the city, was left

alone in the meatmarket by his clerk, who

went to dinner. At 1 o'clock he returned

and found Schilling on the floor of the

office with his throat cut from ear to ear

and a deep hole in the top of his head.

His pockets had been rifled. No clue to

the murders.

Millionaire Mackay's Condition.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—John W.

Mackay's attending physicians state that

Mr. Mackay is resting easily, and is very

much improved in every way. They also

state that his condition has not been con-

sidered alarming at any time, though

some of the published accounts seemed to

indicate that it was.

Must Die May 8.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Carlyle W. Har-

ris, after having exhausted every possible

means to escape the penalty for the mur-

der of his wife, Helen Potts Harris, has

been sentenced to be electrocuted during

his week commencing May 8 by Recorder

Smyth.

FRAUDULENT ROLL.

General Slocum Speaks on the Pension

Question.

BROOKLYN, March 18.—General Henry

W. Slocum has been interviewed upon the

subject of the recent dispatch from Wash-

ington which intimated that he would

have been offered the position of commis-

sioner of pensions if he had been physically

able to perform the duties of the office.

The general said:

"If I was 20 years

younger I would be

glad to accept the

position, but at my

age I do not feel

called upon to take

such heavy work

upon myself as

would be required by

GENERAL SLOCUM, any man who suc-

cessfully administers the office. A young

man could take hold of it and make a

reputation for himself. That pension

roll is a fraudulent roll.

"There is no mistake about that. There

are deserters and bounty jumpers on it

and other men who were never in the army

at all. I would like to go through it and

find out the names that should not be on

the books at all. It can be done as easy

as turning your hand over, but it would in-

volve a great deal of labor. I do not need

the office or the salary, but I would ac-

cept the office if I were a younger man

for the sake of getting at the fraudulent

names on the pension roll and casting

them out.

"The Democratic and the Republican

congressmen have been equally guilty in

swallowing the pension list and the pension

agents have contributed their share to

the fraud. Here it is 20 years

after the close of the war and we are pay-

ing this immense sum for pensions. It is

wrong."

BELVA LOCKWOOD SNUBBED.

Her Application for Admission to the

Bar Refused.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Belva Lockwood,

the woman of presidential aspirations, was

before the general term of the supreme

court trying to be

admitted to the

practice of law in

this state. Colonel

Drew, moves her

admission to the

bar on certifi-

cates. Presiding

Justice Van Brunt

said they would

not do. He denied

the motion saying

there must be af-

firmative. Mrs. Lock-

wood then told the

court that she had

a certificate from

the county clerk.

The presiding justice

told her that when

she was a member of

the bar and the court

desired information

she could address it.

YOUTHFUL FIREBUG CONFESSES.

He Was the Author of the Big Fire at

Boston.

BOSTON, March 18.—Louis A. Wright of

Newton, a boy of 17, has confessed that he

had started five fires in the Hathaway

building, using kerosene and other in-

flammable materials. Previous to his ar-

rest by a detective he was the object of

general interest, but not suspicion, owing