

When the besieging army attempted to carry breastworks last night it

CROWD SEES MAN DIE

Seven-Ton Wall Collapses on New York Workmen.

TWO ARE INSTANTLY CRUSHED

Catholic Priests Administer Last Rites of Church to Pinioned Victim Under Stone as Nuns Exhort Courage in Two-Hour Struggle With Death by Rescuers. Five Hundred Children See Tragedy.

New York, Aug. 7.—Three men were killed today by the caving in of a 7-ton cement wall of a steampipe trench connecting two wings of St. John's Orphan Asylum, St. Mark's place and Albany avenue, Brooklyn.

Two were killed outright and the third, with arms and legs crushed, endured the weight of the wall almost two hours, while 300 firemen, policemen, street cleaners and street car employes worked furiously to raise the wall or to remove the living man without precipitating the full weight upon him.

Priests Administer Rites.

Two Catholic priests administered the last rites of the church, and a Mother Superior, with two nuns, exhorted the pinioned man to courage during the struggle, which was witnessed by 500 little orphans and hundreds of spectators. A groan of anguish greeted the announcement of the heroic ambulance surgeons, who risked their lives, that the man was dead on being drawn out.

JOHN M'LAUGHLIN, engineer of the institution, of No. 207 Troy avenue; killed instantly.

THOMAS ROACH, 50 years old, an assistant, of No. 63 Hayward street; killed instantly.

EDWARD S. TIMONY, an assistant engineer, of No. 809 Sterling place; died after two-hour struggle to save his life.

The trench in which the men met death was 3 feet deep and 5 feet wide. It was dug 40 years ago and served as a steam pipe tunnel and a passage between the kitchen wing and the dormitory wing.

When steam was installed as a heating medium of the institution the old passageway was used as a trench, in which the pipes were laid from a boiler room in the kitchen wing to the coils in the dormitories.

Five Hundred Boys Witness Tragedy.

In the blue stone building are housed 500 boys, and they witnessed today's tragedy. McLaughlin, the engineer, who has only been married a year, and whose wife recently bore him a child wished to

allow rescuers to slip out the head and body. Timony had ceased to talk, and had died at five minutes after twelve, but the crowd did not know it, and the physicians were hopeful that some life remained. When the body was drawn out the surgeons made a quick examination and announced that the man had died from internal hemorrhages.

At this announcement the hundreds of spectators who had been standing, heads uncovered and in hushed expectancy, ready to cheer at the news of a safe rescue, groaned aloud. It was a dramatic and impressive moment as the suppressed cry of disappointment echoed up in the blue-gray walled courtyard, where, at every window, the white faces of nuns and little orphans could be seen strained with fright. The body was carried to cover, and work was then begun to recover the bodies of McLaughlin and Roach.

DEAD MAN'S \$20 THE PRIZE.

War and Treasury Departments Contend for Find on Sailor's Body.

Ownership of \$20, found on the body of an unidentified sailor washed ashore at Key West barracks, Fla., has caused a large amount of work and worry to the legal sharps of two executive departments. Lifesavers notified the Treasury Department and claimed the money by right of possession. The body was washed ashore on a military reservation, and the commanding officer contended that the money should go to the War Department.

Reels of red tape were started, and there was much letter writing between the War and Treasury departments. The Secretary of War submitted the case to the judge advocate general of the War Department, who held that the money belonged to the government, but he did not settle the burning question whether it should be placed to the credit of the War or the Treasury Department.

Secretary of War Wright has written a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury asking for the lifesavers' side of the case.

MUZZLE ORDER SUSTAINED

Police Judge Fines Citizen for Violating It.

Dr. Cecil French, Who Believes Commissioners Exceeded Power, Will Appeal Case.

Dr. Cecil French, a veterinarian, was fined \$5 yesterday in police court by Judge Aukam, on the charge of being the owner of a dog which was allowed to run at large without a muzzle. Dr. French announced, through his attorney, that he would appeal to a higher court.