

A BLOODLESS DUEL.

FRENCH AND GERMAN SEA CAPTAINS FIRE THREE SHOTS EACH.

PARIS, April 2.—Capt. Servan of the French merchant marine and Capt. Dietsch of the German merchant marine fought a pistol duel to-day. Each fired three times and neither one was injured.

The Captains quarreled at La Guayra concerning the place of anchorage. Dietsch used violent language, and when subsequently he met Servan in Havre, accepted a challenge.

Dietsch took his steamer to Hamburg and returned to give Servan satisfaction.

Mrs. Boswald Tried the Gas Method.

Julia, wife of Charles Boswald, the band leader, tried to kill herself with gas yesterday at 136 Allen Street. She was sent a prisoner to the Gouverneur Hospital, but will probably be well enough to appear at the Essex Market Police Court to-day.

Gustave Schoomacher of 110 Eldridge Street found her on a lounge with the end of a rubber tube, adjusted to a gas burner, in her mouth. She rallied when remedies had been given her, but was not fit to be left in a cell, as she was hysterical and moaned constantly that she was disgraced.

If she is not insane a motive for the attempt is lacking. All that she would say was that she had been worried by agents who wanted to dispose of her property. She referred to the house she lived in, which she owns. She also inherited \$20,000 last year. She and her husband are estranged, and he lives with two brothers at 104 Eldridge Street. Last night he played at Ridgewood Park, Brooklyn.

A "Quake" on the Ocean.

BOSTON, April 2.—The bark H. J. Libby of Portland, which arrived to-day from Melbourne, reports that on Jan 11, at 8 A. M., when in latitude 54° 10' south, longitude 54° 40' west, she experienced a severe shock of earthquake, (or sea quake.) The shock lasted for fully ten seconds, and caused the vessel to tremble from stem to stern as if she was passing over a rough bottom.

On Jan. 15, latitude 50° 25' south, longitude 45° 08' west, she saw seven large icebergs, two of which were flat on top, from two to three miles in length, and about 250 feet high.

Two Perish in the Flames.

RICHMOND, Va., April 2.—A disastrous fire occurred last night at Clarksville. The buildings on Fourth Street from Main Street down both sides were consumed, except the railroad station and Magee's warehouse. Light or ten stores, hotels, offices, and tobacco houses were burned. A large quantity of leaf tobacco was also destroyed. A high wind was blowing and there were no adequate means to stop the flames. Two colored men were burned to death.