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FRANCE, with other continental nations, recognizes the dangers of Nihilism and anarchy. The French Senate has passed a bill imposing the death penalty upon persons convicted of using explosives for unlawful purposes.

THE legislature of Kentucky makes it a misdemeanour for any person holding a municipal or state office to use or accept from any railroad, steamboat company, or other common carrier, a free pass or a reduced rate not common to the public.

THE decision of Mr. Justice Doherty in the Quebec Court of Queen's Bench has had the result of involving the defendants, against whom the decision was given, in an unpleasant multiplicity of suits. It may be remembered that the manager of the Academy of Music in Montreal advertised that Madame Scalchi, the singer, would appear on a certain date with Madame Albani at his Academy, and the manager subsequently discovering that the former could not sing at the concert took no pains to make the fact known to the public. The action taken by the plaintiff, who attended the concert, for the price of his ticket resulted in a verdict in his favour with costs, and a number of similar actions are being taken by indignant Montrealers, who claim that the public is continually deceived by the representations of theatrical and other managers, and in this they certainly have the support of the learned judge, who expressed himself very strongly upon the subject.

COMMENTS ON CURRENT ENGLISH DECISIONS.

(Law Reports for April—Continued.)

SHERIFF'S OFFICER, ACTION BY, FOR FEES.

In *Smith v. Broadbent* (1892), 1 Q.B. 551, the plaintiff was a sheriff's officer, and brought the action to recover from the defendant, an execution creditor, for expenses incurred by him under the defendant's execution. The County Court judge dismissed the action, and Hawkins and Wills, JJ., upheld his decision, holding that the sheriff alone had the right of action to recover expenses incurred by his bailiffs.