ing first collapsed and then burned to the ground. In the ruins were his wife, and three of his children: John, aged 11, his eleven-months-old daughter Catherine, and Harold, aged seventeen. Leo Hinch, sixteen years old, who was saved is a

messenger boy for the Canadian Press.

David Hinch, Jr., was working at the exhibition grounds and on hastening home found his wife and child to be among the missing. Later his wife's body, cut in two, was discovered in the ruins. His infant child, Gerald, was recorded as missing. His home, 24 Richmond street, was blown down. The case of the Hinchs is only characteristic of hundreds of families.

Cora, wife of John Matheson, who is at the front with the R. C. R., is in hospital with both legs broken and a dangerous wound in the head. When the explosion occurred she left her father's home and was knocked down. When she

recovered, her fur coat had been taken from her.

A beautiful story is that of little Lola Burns, eight year old daughter of John Burns, Granville street. She was saying her morning prayer with a rosary clasped in her hands when the explosion came and was found in the middle of a devastated room, glass in fragments all about her, still offering prayer, but quite uninjured.

Captain James Murray, formerly master of the C. P. R. Steamer Empress of Britain and recently added to the naval staff as officer in charge of convoys, died at his post of duty

on one of the piers.

Captain Horatio H. Brannen, a veteran in the naval service, commander of the tug Stella Maris made an heroic effort to reach the Mont Blanc and tow her to a place of safety and was killed on board his vessel when the explosion came.

Some of the Best Known Dead.

Saturday's Recorder said of the dead: "Of the killed there has been no better known citizen of the North End than Isaac Creighton, who had always been looked upon as a leader in Ward 6, and who represented the ward in the city council. He was a splendid type of a real man, sincere, faithful and true.

"William McFatridge is another of our oldest and best citizens, who had represented ward 5 in the city council. He was one of the most prominent merchants, and besides was one of the best patrons of thoroughbreds on the running turf years ago. He was a man who will be sadly missed, and whose death will be widely regretted.

"Another of our best citizens who met his death was former Controller Geo. F. Harris. No man could be held in higher esteem. He was beloved and respected by all who knew