

PURSUED BY FIRE.

Talmage's Tabernacle Burned for the Third Time.

Just as the Congregation Was Dispersing

FLAMES BROKE OUT.

Total Loss Will Amount to \$1,000,000.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., May 14.—Just after services at noon yesterday, and while Dr. Talmage was shaking hands with members of his congregation, fire burst out between the pipes of the organ and within ten minutes the big tabernacle was doomed to total destruction.

The wind carried the blazing cinders in such quantities in a southeasterly direction that dwelling houses on Washington avenue, two squares away, and also the Summerfield Methodist church, were set on fire by them, but the greatest loss on any of these structures did not exceed \$15,000.

"The doctor was still in the pulpit, shaking hands with the people, of whom there were nearly a hundred, probably, left. His back was to the organ. I was standing up at the end of the pew talking with Mr. Martin of Chicago, who wanted to see the doctor with a message from loved friends in that city. I looked up toward the ceiling and saw a tongue of flame burst out between the pipes of the organ."

"I at once called aloud, 'Doctor, the church is on fire.' He turned and told all the people to retire, while he went into the study to get a few things. I waited for him at the door. The flames spread very rapidly, so quickly that some of the trustees were overcome and had to be helped out. The doctor joined me soon after, and we went down Lafayette avenue to a friend's, where we remained until we could hear that friends in the Hotel Regent were out of danger and what prospect there was of saving any of the church."

"The doctor held quite a reception at his home during the afternoon. Dr. Talmage made a graphic statement of the incidents connected with the fire. He said: 'At the close of the church service I was standing at the foot of the pulpit shaking hands with hundreds of people from all lands. I was about through and walked toward the center of the church where my wife stood, when she called my attention to fire springing from the top of the organ. I saw at once that it was under full headway and my first impulse was to look around and see how many people were then in the church, and to my great joy there were only about twenty, and with twenty-five doors through which to get out, I felt that they would all escape.'

"I then went into my study, back of the platform, passing under the blazing piping, to get my hat and coat, and then I said to myself: 'Is it manly to run off?' I walked up and down my study room, rejoicing that the fire had occurred when there was no chance of a fatality."

"While in this sort of brown study a New York friend rushed into the room and taking my arm, cried: 'Get out of this room immediately or you'll not get out at all.' We went out into the church. One-half of the organ was down and the fire had leaped to the roof. I saw that nothing could save the building and I came out."

"The tears were coursing down the doctor's cheeks and his voice broke as he told the story, but in an instant he spoke with his old vigor."

"There is mercy on top of the disaster. If it had occurred half an hour before it would have been the calamity of the century. The church and all the rooms adjoining were packed with people, and the panic would have left the whole scene one of indescribable horror. Or if it had occurred two or three hours later, when the Sunday school was in session, there would have been a thousand households bereft in Brooklyn. Little children, helpless children, what would they have done? God cared for them, and even in this calamity His mercy is infinite."

"Personally I feel not the least item of disheartenment, nor less faith in God, nor less of hope for the future."

"The long procession of disasters is inexorable—like what occurs sometimes in a family, four or five dying from scarlet fever—it is inexorable; we must simply accept the fact."

"Our church has been burned three times, and it has always occurred on a Sunday. It is a mystery that I adjourn till the next world shall let us know."

"It is the Lord. Let Him do what seemeth good in His sight."

HUNG BY A MOB.

Murderer of Assistant Postmaster at Strong City,

Captured and Lynched by a Maddened Mob.

PUSHED OFF A BRIDGE.

The Victim Had No Complaint to Make.

STRONG CITY, Kan., May 14.—Karl Kuhl, assistant postmaster at Cottonwood Falls, Chase county, was shot dead Friday evening last, while distributing the mail in the office by George Rose, a printer in the employ of W. E. Timmons, the postmaster, who is also editor of the Courant.

Both offices are in the same building. Rose, it is claimed, expected the appointment given to Kuhl, and being disappointed in obtaining it went to drinking. While on his spree he made frequent threats of killing some one, and had two fights with Kuhl, who was a young man of about 19. On Friday Rose entered the postoffice and without warning, placed a pistol to his victim's back and shot him, the ball passing clear through the body near the heart and killing him instantly.

The tragedy was almost immediately discovered, and in a few minutes over 200 men were hunting the assassin, who had fled. The search was successful, and about 11 o'clock the court house bell was hurriedly rung announcing the fact that he had been captured. He had quietly given himself up to the sheriff.

Almost immediately the place was surrounded and the prisoner demanded. The sheriff refused and stood the mob off with shotguns. Saturday morning the excitement was intense and was kept up until noon, when it subsided, and it was supposed better counsel had prevailed and no further attempts at lynch law would be made.

At 11 o'clock, however, the court house and jail were quitly surrounded, every avenue of approach or exit carefully guarded by masked armed men, and Sheriff Murdoch was called to his door by a few low raps, only to be dragged outside, where several pistols in the hands of masked men were thrust into his face, accompanied by the demand that he open the cell door and surrender Rose. He attempted to argue the matter, but was instantly silenced, taken to the cell and forced to open the door.

The masked mob took their prisoner out, surrounded him and started toward the river. Everything Done Quietly and Coolly. Everything was done quietly and coolly as if by military orders, each man seeming to know what he was expected to do. When outside the jail yard, a large crowd which had congregated meantime, made a rush toward the prisoner and his guard. A few shots were fired into the air, and a stern voice commanded the crowd to stand back. The order was obeyed, and guard and prisoner quietly proceeded about a quarter of a mile east to the center of a railroad bridge over the Cottonwood river, where a halt was made. The prisoner's hands and feet were tied and a noose placed over his head. He was then asked if he had anything to say. "Nothing, gentlemen," he replied coolly, "you are here to hang me, and it looks as if you would do it. I should have preferred to have been tried by law, however."

He was then asked if he wished to say anything else. "No, I guess not," said he, "except I hope God will have mercy on my soul."

Hurled From the Bridge. He was then hurled from the bridge, dropping about twelve feet. His neck was broken and his head nearly severed from his body. He died instantly and scarcely a tremor was observable. For a few moments the mob stood and watched the dangling, turning piece of inanimate clay which but a moment before was a cool, calm, nervous, living man, then quietly dispersed to their homes. The body remained dangling over the water, just within the city limits, until nearly 10 o'clock Sunday morning, surrounded by a curious, commenting crowd. It was then cut down, a coroner's inquest held, and a verdict rendered, "Death at the hands of unknown parties by hanging."

The men who did the hanging were all masked. They are supposed to be leading citizens of the place, and public sentiment is almost unanimous in sustaining their action, as there is no law to hang murderers in the state. Four murders have occurred in this vicinity within the past few years, which practically have gone unpunished.

Rose was formerly from Syracuse, N. Y., where he has a mother and two children. His wife is dead. Kuhl was considered one of the best young men in the place, and exceedingly popular.

President at Fortress Monroe. FORTRESS MONROE, Va., May 14.—The light house tender Maple with President Cleveland and party arrived here at 10 a. m., and after a file of morning papers had been secured proceeded to Norfolk.

Coal Being Imported From Wales. NEW YORK, May 14.—The soft coal famine is pinching the dealers hard and has had the effect of increasing the import of Welsh soft coal. Heavy orders have been sent to Wales and more are being prepared.

Incendiaries at Florence, Kan. FLORENCE, Kan., May 14.—Firebugs made a deliberate attempt yesterday morning to burn a portion of this city, and succeeded in causing a loss of nearly \$25,000.

A subterranean grave of great antiquity has been discovered at Sin Tai, China. The grave contained a pair of vases and candlesticks, besides some ancient ornaments. It is thought to be over 10,000 years old.

BAD ON THE COLONEL.

Lexington Up in Arms to Down Congressman Breckinridge.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 14.—The people of Lexington and vicinity are on the tiptoe of expectation regarding the anti-Breckinridge meeting set for this afternoon. The people are thoroughly aroused and those in a position to know say the meeting will be monster affair.

In his sermon last night Rev. R. T. Matthews, pastor of the Main Street Christian church, and a prominent member of the Ministerial Union that Colonel Breckinridge scored so terribly in his speeches here and at Paris, ridiculed the colonel in non-complimentary terms.

Among other things he said: "None of us ministers of the Ministerial Union of Lexington are presuming to dictate who shall or shall not be the nominee of a political party. As teachers of the gospel of morality we are simply testifying and warning the people as regards what kind of a man should or should not be a candidate or nominee for public office."

"We unitedly, in fear of God, declare before the world that when an immoral politician, standing in the calcium light of Caesar's court, is exposed to view in a life of sin, where domestic sanctity and social morality have been deliberately debauched, and when he steps from the witness box and immediately announces himself still as worthy of representing the people because he has suffered the pains of hell and has confessed to the court his iniquity, he merits our just rebuke. We declare that while it is a Christian duty to forgive him and help him to a better life, his renomination and reelection at the present time will be an open defiance of all personal chastity, domestic purity and religious integrity."

"We appeal to the voters who honor personal morality when choosing political candidates. This man is a corrupt and corrupting misrepresentation of the social order of our community, a debauching example for youth, in every way a peril to truth and righteousness."

This sermon made a profound impression on the congregation, and it is all the talk around the hotels.

TERRIBLE OIL FIRE.

Thirty-Five Firemen Badly Burned in an Explosion at Braddock, Pa.

BRADDOCK, Pa., May 14.—The barrel house of Emery's refinery in this city took fire yesterday afternoon, presumably from spontaneous combustion and was destroyed. The loading rack and five tank cars standing on a side track of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh road were also burned. While the firemen were making a final stand and thousands of people were watching it, there was a tremendous explosion. A tank car holding 4,100 gallons of benzine had let go with a mighty roar. Fortunately the burning benzine, which was thrown into the air in sheets of liquid fire had consumed itself before settling down over the crowd.

The explosion was followed by a panic that cannot be described in words. Blind, unreasoning, pitiless instinct of self-preservation showed itself, and the weak went down before the strong multitudes of cases, in the frantic rush to escape what seemed to threaten a horrible death. In the stampede men as well as women and children were thrown down and trodden over by the flying masses that surged up from behind. Thirty-five of the firemen were burned so that the skin peeled off their faces and hands, and the hair was singed off their heads and faces. Of the many others who are slightly burned there is no record, and the total number of those burned and injured in the stampede will probably reach 100 persons. With all the suffering this fire will cause, the property loss will not exceed \$5,000.

Members of the Dalton Gang Taken After a Hard Fight. EL RENO, Ok., May 14.—Nat Sylvia and Felix Young, members of the Dalton band of train robbers, who were implicated in the Pond Creek robberies of the Rock Island trains some time ago, were arrested in this city Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock by United States Marshals Madison, Frater and Eichhoff, after an exciting chase through the city during which some ten or a dozen shots were exchanged between the parties. Young had his horse shot from under him.

No "Courtesy" for Mills. WASHINGTON, May 12.—There is a probability that Senator White of California may be placed upon the finance committee, to fill the vacancy occasioned by Senator Vance's death. It had heretofore been regarded as almost a certainty that Senator Mills would secure the position, but since his speech in which he expressed his opinion of the compromisers, including Messrs. Bruce and Gorman, to say nothing of Messrs. Hill, Smith and Murphy, his selection does not seem such a foregone conclusion.

Sunday Baseball. At Minneapolis—Minneapolis 20, Kansas City 6. At Toledo—Toledo 18, Indianapolis 7. At Grand Rapids—Grand Rapids 12, Detroit 19. At Milwaukee—Sioux City 4, Milwaukee 2. At Chicago—Chicago 14, Louisville 12. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 7, St. Louis 3.

Mrs. Cleveland Visits Buffalo. WASHINGTON, May 14.—The White house is at present without any of its occupants. Following the departure of the president, Mrs. Cleveland left at 7:50 last evening, with her two daughters, for Buffalo, N. Y., where she will make a brief visit with her mother, Mrs. Folsom.

To Fight the Dawes Commission. MUSKOGEE, I. T., May 14.—The Creek nation has sent General Pleasant Porter, one of the ablest and most influential Indians in the locality, to Washington, to oppose the Dawes commission's efforts, and all things that may point to a change of things in this country.

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Two Days of Astonishing Prices ON LADIES' CAPES AND JACKETS.

For MONDAY and TUESDAY only, we shall make these most exceptional prices, which, as will be seen, are almost cut in two. Every garment included in this sale is strictly new, stylish and of this season's make. We assert, confidently, that no such chance will present itself again this season.

- Capes that sold at \$3.00, will be... \$1.49
Capes that sold at \$3.50 and \$4. will be... 1.98
Capes that sold at \$4.50, \$5, \$6, will be... 2.98
Capes that sold at \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10, will be... 5.98
Ladies' Spring Jackets, in light and dark materials, make up in latest style, with full sleeves, etc., etc., sold at \$6.50 and \$7.50, this week will be... 3.98
CHILDREN'S SPRING REEFER JACKETS, SOLD AT \$2.00, WILL BE \$1.25

500 Yards all wool Challies, in handsomest patterns out this season, both light and dark grounds... THIS WEEK 50 CTS.

Ladies' Underwear This Week.

- Ribbed Vests, worth \$1.50, this week... 5 cts
Ribbed Vests, with finished neck, worth 15c, this week... 10 "
Swiss Ribbed Vests, regular value 20c, this week... 13 1/2 "
Fine Quality Ribbed Vests, some with short sleeves, regular value 35c this week... 25 "
50c Quality Ribbed Vests, finest Maco yarn, this week... 33 1/2 "
Ladies' Combination Suits of fine Egyptian cotton, worth \$1.00, this week 75 "
A BARGAIN IN MUSLIN THIS WEEK—Two thousand yards of extra heavy, yard wide, Brown Muslin. A good 7/8c quality... SPECIAL 5 1/2 CTS

JUST IN—A fine assortment of Carriage Robes. 500 yards Cotton Pongees, Glorias, Satines and other Wash Goods, regular prices were 12 1/2 and 15 cents, choice... THIS WEEK 8 1/2c

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

- Men's Fur Crutcher Hats, satin lined, \$1.50 and \$1.75 quality, this week... 98c
Men's Fur Derby Hats, new spring block, \$2 quality, this week... \$1.25
1,000 pair Silk Web Suspenders, regular value 40c and 50c, this week... 25c

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GROVER GOES FISHING.

Left Washington Saturday to Be Gone Ten or Twelve Days. WASHINGTON, May 14.—President Cleveland left Washington Saturday night accompanied by Secretaries Gresham and Carlisle for another fishing trip. Private Secretary Thurber said that the president expected to be away from Washington ten or twelve days. The light house tender, Maple, was utilized for the trip. The voyage to Norfolk will be made in a leisurely manner after which the further movement of the party will be determined upon.

TOPEKA EPWORTH LEAGUE

Leaguers of This District to Meet This Week. The Topeka district convention of the Epworth league will be held in Topeka the last three days of this week. The sessions of the convention will be held at the Kansas Avenue M. E. church, and delegates will be present from the twenty-eight Methodist churches in the district. Including the elected delegates and alternates about 150 visitors from outside of the city will be in attendance. The convention will open on Thursday evening with a lecture by Rev. D. Charles Mitchell of the Grand Avenue M. E. church of Kansas City. There will be sunrise devotional meetings Friday and Saturday mornings. Friday will be devoted to the reading of papers and discussions of the different phases of league work, and Friday evening Rev. E. M. Randall pastor of the First M. E. church at Leavenworth, who was formerly president of the Topeka district league, will conduct a devotional meeting and altar service. The business of the convention and election of officers will be transacted Saturday morning. Miss Viola Troutman is president of the district league, and will preside at all the meetings.

Deafness Cannot be Cured. By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

How to Improve the Complexion. Every lady that has used the celebrated Elder Flower Cream recommends it as a great beautifier. It removes freckles, tan, blotches, etc., and leaves the skin soft, clear and beautiful. For sale by J. K. Jones.

Fine Work. At Topeka Steam Laundry. Subscribe for the Daily STATE JOURNAL.

Is Your Hair Falling Out or Turning Gray? If so, why don't you try Beggs' Hair Renewer? It is the only positive Hair Renewer on the market. It stimulates the Hair follicles and gives the hair a soft, luxuriant, youthful appearance. Sold and warranted by W. R. Kennady, Fourth and Kansas avenue.

The STATE JOURNAL'S Want and Miscellaneous columns reach each working day in the week more than twice as many Topeka people as can be reached through any other paper. This is a fact Omaha, Neb., May 4, 1891. To Whom it May Concern: I am troubled considerably with headache and have tried almost everything which is used a preventative or cure, but there is nothing that has done me so much good as Krause's Headache Capsules. ALBERT HELLER. Sold by all druggists.

Let us remind you that now is the time to take De Witt's Sarsaparilla, it will do you good. It recommends itself. J. K. Jones. Gets a Roll. Nice white blank wall paper at Beckstrom's, 518 Jackson St.



"How Well You Look" Friends Surprised at the Wonderful Improvement. "C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.: 'Dear Sirs—I take pleasure in writing the good I have received from taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Every spring and summer for six years or more, my health has been so poor from heart trouble and general debility that at times life was a burden. I would become so emaciated and weak and pale that my friends thought I would not live long. I could do scarcely any work at all and had to lie down every few minutes. I began getting worse in January, losing my flesh and feeling so tired. I thought I would try Hood's Sarsaparilla and I am happy to say I am in better health than I have been for a number of years. My friends remark to me: 'Why how well you look.' I tell them it is Hood's Sarsaparilla that has done the work. I would have all suffering humanity give this medicine a trial and be convinced. This statement is true so the Editors.' MRS. JENNIE DECKER, Watauga, Ill."

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