WASHINGTON NEWS

Serious Charges Against a Tacoma Paper.

MORGAN'S LICENSE REVOKED.

The Roslyn Strikers Surrender—Pitiful Death of the Bellinger Children—The Boom.

TACOMA, Feb. 2.—Harry Morgan met with a final reverse at the Council meeting this afternoon, his license being again revoked and the petition of his successor, H. H. Cline, refused. It was the most interesting and largely-attended session in the history of the city. Long before the hour of opening great throngs were at the Council rooms, petitioners for and against Morgan occupying every available inch of space in the chamber and hallway outside. Cline's petition was called up first and was killed by the following vote: Yeas, Lillis and Harstall; nays, J. H. Houghton, Collins, Caughran, Steele. J. B. Houghton and Zinram were excused from voting. City Attorney Carroll then informed the council that owing to a clerical error in the council's order of January 19th, revoking Morgan's license, it would be necessary for the council to take further steps in the matter, whereupon the health and police committees offered a corrected resolution.

In a moment the clerk's desk was strewn with petitions from citizens antagonistic to and citizens favoring Morgan. The following affidavit was first read and created a decided sensation:

CHARGED WITH SUBORNING PERJURY.

"Frank Morrison, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, on oath says that he is the same and identical Frank Morrison, who heretofore, on the 6th day of January, 1889, subscribed his name to an affidavit, the direct purport of which he does not know, but thinks that said affidavit contained statements with reference to a man being robbed on the 9th of January, 1889, in Morgan's theater. Affiant further says that when said affidavit was made he was very drunk and unconscious as to what the purport of affidavit was; that it was inducted upon and he was paid money for making said affidavit by men who represented themselves to be the editors of the Tacoma *Daily Ledger*.

"Affiant further says that he could identify the men, but does not know their names. Affiant further says the man supposed to have been robbed was not in fact robbed, but told this affiant that he was working a scheme for the purpose of getting money either from the editor of the *Ledger* or Harry Morgan.

"Affiant further says that he has at several times received money from gentlemen that represent themselves to belong to the editorial department of the Tacoma *Ledger*, upon promises that he would testify in the libel suits now pending in the district court, wherein Harry Morgan is plaintiff and the territory of Washington is plaintiff and R. F. Radebaugh defendant.

"Affiant further says that Frank Gagnon, the man who was supposed to have been robbed on January 9 aforesaid, told this affiant that he had received $20 in money and a new suit of clothes from men representing themselves to be directly connected with the publication of the *Daily Ledger*, and was also promised a job on the farm known as the *Ledger* farm if he would give testimony in the cases heretofore referred to and stay on said *Ledger* farm until the convening of the district court, same time in February, 1889.

"Affiant further says that he is at this time duly sober and in his right mind; that had he been sober at the time the affidavit referred to was made he would not have made such affidavit, for the same is wholly false and untrue so far as it purported to cast any reflection whatever upon the theater known as Morgan's theater, in the city of Tacoma, Pierce county, Washington Territory.

FRANK MORRISON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of January, A. D. 1889, and that affiant is duly sober. D. F. MURRAY, Notary Public.

PETITION IN FAVOR OF MORGAN.

The subjoined petition, signed by 91 persons said to be business men of Pacific avenue, followed: "We, the undersigned petitioners, resident tax-payers of the city of Tacoma, most respectfully petition your honorable body not to revoke the license of Harry Morgan, heretofore issued on the 26th day of April, 1888, but if, in your wisdom, under this protest, you should revoke said license, we pray your honorable body to first allow an open investigation of any and all charges that might have been preferred against said Morgan. We also pray your honorable body that in case said license is revoked, we, your petitioners, ask that a license be granted to one H. H. Cline on lot 8, block 803, city of Tacoma.

PETITION AGAINST MORGAN.

The text of a counter petition, with 2097 signatures, was as follows:

"To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Tacoma.—Your petitioners, citizens of Tacoma, do most earnestly appeal to your honorable body to effectually revoke the license of one Harry Morgan for the keeping of a saloon for the sale of intoxicating and malt liquors, as well as the license for keeping a variety theater and dance house at Nos. 813 and 815, lots 7 and 8, in block 803, Pacific avenue and city of Tacoma, and also not to transfer the same or to issue a new license to said Morgan or to any other person or persons for a like business at or on said premises or upon any premises within the city limits, and that the doors of said premises be effectually closed to the business now carried on there."

THE LICENSE REVOKED.

After an acrimonious debate lasting three hours, the Council declared Morgan's license revoked by the following vote: Yeas—Caughran, Collins, J. H. Houghton, Steele, Drum—5. Nays—J. B. Houghton, Lillis, Zinram, Horstall—4.

A liquor license was granted George K. Reed and refused H. W. Biggs. The employment of an assistant street commissioner was authorized.

THE THEATER RUNNING.

Morgan's saloon and theater was running to-night, notwithstanding the action of the Council. It is said he will resist any attempt to close him up on the ground that Mayor Drum had no right, under the charter, to vote on the question.

ON THE OLD TERMS.

The Roslyn Strikers Want to Return to Work.

ELLENSBURG, Feb. 2.—This afternoon the miners of Roslyn held a meeting and appointed a committee of 10 to wait on Superintendent Ronald and inform him that a majority of the men were willing to go to work on the old terms, they allowing him to select whom he pleased. Some of the men were disposed to kick during the meeting, but were told by the chairman to keep quiet or be put out. It begins to look now as though the miners have a fight among themselves about going to work, as there are quite a number of them very much dissatisfied with the terms. It was rumored this afternoon that a large number of new men will be in from Illinois to-morrow night, but this report can not be verified, and as sheriff Packwood has ordered the guards now on duty at the mines home to-day, there can be no truth to the report.

As the cast-bound train left Cle elum to-day, some rocks were thrown through the car window at Superintendent Ronald, not hitting him, however.

A GHASTLY SIGHT.

The Charred Remains of the Bellinger Babies at Spokane Falls.

SPOKANE FALLS, Feb. 2.—The two Bellinger children burned to death in Friday night's fire, were buried to-day. The expenses were defrayed by contributions of citizens, as the parents are very poor. Nearly $200 was raised in this way. It was a terrible sight that was exposed to the view of the coroner's jury as the undertaker removed the clothes that covered the bodies of the children in the morgue to-day. With her limbs drawn up and her tongue partly protruding between her teeth lay Josephine, the 18-months-old baby, her face and right side burnt to a crisp. The left leg had been protected by the bedclothes, and it stuck out as though it was wax from the black, charred body.

The larger child, Charley, was even worse burned than his sister. His feet and hands were gone, and only the charred body, that crumbled away at the touch, remained. The backs of the heads of both children were entirely gone.

OLYMPIA NEWS.

Every Symptom of a Boom—Mossbacks in Grave Danger.

OLYMPIA, Feb. 2.—Scarcely a day passes that a new real estate office is not established in this city by outside parties who become aware of the fact that the dozen offices already running are already doing an immense business, and who see that the business activity has only begun. Yesterday the south half of the first floor of the Odd Fellows' building was leased to a Tacoma firm, who will at once fit it up for an immense real estate office, and who will open up in a few days. It is stated also, that the brick block on Main street, which was recently vacated by Rosenthal & Co., has been leased by a wholesale grocery from Tacoma, who will at once start an immense branch store here.

A daily newspaper will also probably be started during the next two weeks, the enterprising business citizens being willing to give a subsidy of $300 per month for a good local daily that will take the Associated Press dispatches and be in other ways worthy of their patronage.

The boom has become so well founded that even the old mossbacks who have obstructed the growth of the town for the past 20 years are now gradually falling into line and all seem to be disposed to join in the general movement. There are still a very few obstructionists but they are being so persistently hounded and shamed by the progressive element that they can not fail in less their grip in a very few days. In these cases, which refer to men who placed salt water of Puget Sound, boycotts, and political banishment, have been advocated by progressive citizens, who seem to be winning their arguments.

NOTES.

Governor Semple has appointed the following notaries public: D. W. Fleet, Montesano; George Gelbach, Olympia; E. F. Sturdevant, Dayton; L. A. Staley, Port Townsend; John V. Ostrander, J. W. Springe and H. E. Challener, of Seattle.

Hon. John F. Judson of the firm of Judson, Sharpstein & Sullivan of Tacoma, was in the city during the week. Mr. Judson's friends state that he has decided to remove to this city and remain permanently. He will shortly begin the construction of a fine residence in the south part of the city, and will remove to this city as soon as it is completed.

Dirk Fleur, of Norway, and James Troup, of Scotland, appeared before Clerk Kenny yesterday and declared their intentions to support the United States constitution.

Marshal T. J. Hamilton, while in the city last week, purchased a quantity of real estate, on which he says he will double his money in a few days.

Mr. Amos Brown, of Seattle, was in the city last night.

Mr. Charles H. Ayer is in Shelton on a business visit.

WALLA WALLA NEWS.

A Fossil Citizen Opposes the Railroad—Local Miscellany.

WALLA WALLA, Feb. 2.—The first stock shipment over Hunt's road, five cars of fat cattle started this evening for Seattle.

The Sylvester brothers, add Matt and Chris Strumm were buried to-day.

Messrs. J. Morrow and E. F. Powell and wife, of Waitsburg, will leave shortly on a sixty-day trip.

Not only a national but a private bank will shortly be established at Waitsburg.

At a mass meeting this afternoon at the opera house the sentiment was unanimous that the county should issue $50,000 scrip for the O. & W. T. road to assist in extending the system throughout the county. At the meeting excitement was occasioned by an intimation from the chairman, concurred in by prominent citizens present, that the petition signed by the heaviest tax-payers of the county, which had lately disappeared from the counter of the First National bank, had been spirited away by a wealthy citizen opposed to the movement.

Philip Ritz's condition is slightly improved, he being able to move his head, but unable to speak.

This evening a rapidly descending baggage-hoist at the Simon house passed beyond the first incline of the sidewalk, striking J. C. Isaacs, who was passing, knocking him down and bruising him considerably upon the left side.

Hon. M. M. Chase arrived home this morning from an extensive tour of the eastern states. He reports that there will be undoubtedly a very large emigration to Washington in the spring.

Thursday night a convict named Ward, from Spokane county for murder in the second degree, tried to commit suicide while in the hospital, by hanging himself with an electric light wire, the wire breaking in the attempt. He was old and tired of life.

The seven men so long quarantined in the building where smallpox broke out were liberated this morning.

The creamery made a successful experimental run this afternoon. Three children of A. M. McCallock of Smith Springs have died of diphtheria the past week.

The weather was fine to-day and the ground-hog saw his shadow.

Another paper will be started soon at Centerville. A man named Borden, of Coodige, Kan., proposes to move a $3000 plant there.

Wednesday, William Baldwin of Juniper canyon, while either drunk or demented, after leaving Helix, whipped his horses into a furious gallop, first taking the bridles off the team. After running six miles, the wagon was overturned, injuring Baldwin so badly that it is believed he cannot recover. When found he was unconscious, and he remained in that condition at the house of H. Shannon at last accounts.

An effort is being made to change the name of Centerville to Athenia.

Meetings are daily being held all along the line of the proposed new route to the Grande Ronde valley in the interest of extension of the Hunt system. Reports say there is no doubt of the success of the undertaking.

Reports come from Sprague that haystacks used by sheepmen in that locality are fired by incendiaries, Wm. Boman being the chief sufferer. He also claims the same parties have been poisoning his sheep, and charges the cattlemen with the devilitry.

Thursday while John Glenn was driving down a canyon near Helix, his horses slipped, throwing themselves, the wagon and contents down to the bottom of the gulch. Both horses were killed and the wagon broken to splinters, but miraculously Glenn escaped with slight bruises.

Nine citizens of Milton offer $6500 cash and a splendid site for the establishment of a woolen mill.

T. H. Peavy & Co. of St. Paul have decided to build a large elevator at Milton in the spring, the annual grain output of that station being 7,000 tons.

The Isaacs mill here was sold to Miles C. Moore of this city, not to E. L. Eastham of Oregon City, as reported. The price was $11,000.

An additional train dispatcher is to be added to the force of the O. R. & N. depot here and an additional operator placed in the Western Union Telegraph office.

The O. R. & N. folks have a detective yet at work near Touchet, believing the cattle-killing business has been going on there a long time, and that they have not yet probed to the bottom.

A new time-table is about to be issued on the O R. & N., to take effect Sunday, February 10.

A ten-year-old son of J. Jordan, of this city, was taken to the hospital for treatment for a bleeding nose. The boy was so weakened that he is pulseless. There are slight hopes of saving him.

Jack Williams, the man who stabbed Corporal Riley Wednesday night, is still at large. Every effort is being used to find him. It is believed he is hid here.

PORT TOWNSEND NEWS.

Increase of Commerce With Alaska—Large Warehouse to be Built.

PORT TOWNSEND, Feb. 2.—The new regulations of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co. make this city their principal station north of San Francisco. Their intention is to increase their fleet of steamers by the chartering of the Olympian from the O. R. & Co. This boat will be run as a fast excursion steamer to Alaska, which will make four vessels upon that route, thus enabling the company to have a boat running weekly from the Sound to all the Alaskan ports. This will be of great importance to Port Townsend, as much so as to Alaska, as it will enable the merchants of this city to increase their already very large business with Sitka and Juneau merchants, which was carried on for years in a hampered way. This, with the addition of another steamer upon the San Francisco route, resulting in having a steamer here every five days to meet the Alaskan steamer and exchange freight, will cause much activity around the water front. The agent at this place has orders to begin immediately the construction of additional docks and wharves, to be able to accommodate the increased amount of business which they expect. In addition to the wharves he intends constructing an immense freight warehouse covered with corrugated iron, as long as the one formerly used by this company in Seattle. It will be completed by April 15th.

A very pleasant social was given by the ladies of St. Paul's Guild at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on last Wednesday evening. Most of the members of the congregation attended, and enjoyed themselves very much.

Last night the classes of '87 and '88 gave a social dance at Red Men's hall. It was very largely attended. The music was brought from Seattle, and dancing was indulged in to the entire satisfaction of all those present.

There was no quorum at the Council meeting last evening.

SHORTENING THE ROUTE.

Change in the Northern Pacific Main Line in Montana.

SPOKANE FALLS, Feb. 2.—An evening paper publishes what purports to be an important change in the main line of the Northern Pacific railroad. The project is to diverge the present line at Galloping Green near Three Forks, follow Boulder valley to Boulder and there cross the Montana Centra, connecting with a road already built and running thence to Elk Park and Butte. Here the road will have a depot near the central part of the city, and the grade be such that it will follow a gentle incline all the way to Anaconda, and thence reconnect with the present line at Garrison. This will shorten the line many miles, and will avoid the grade approaching the Mullan tunnel and enable the road to make much better and faster time.

From Garrison to Missoula the present main line will be followed, and then the road will start across Cedar d'Alene, via Mullan and Newlins, to Hauser Junction, where the present road will be reached again. This will enable the road to shorten the time between Spokane Falls and New York to four days. From Spokane west to Tacoma the time is to be cut down to 12 hours.

THE BAY CITIES.

Street Railway Projected—Water From Lake Whatcom.

WHATCOM, Feb. 2.—Parties are on the bay with the intention of establishing a street railway to connect the towns.

The Bellingham Bay Waterworks Company has been re-organized, with E. Eldridge as president. Messrs. Cornwall, Bennett and others are stockholders, and arrangements are being made to bring water down in iron pipes from Lake Whatcom, with a fall of 512 feet in three miles.

Business is lively, crowds of people arrive on every boat, and the prospects for a lively boom are very flattering.

COWLITZ COUNTY.

West Kelso—Inexhaustible Coal Fields—Timber and Scenery.

KELSO, W. T., Feb. 2.—The residents of Kelso are quite jubilant over the prospect of an addition to the town. For some time few eligible building sites have been on sale, and the remainder held at figures much too high. The results might have been quite serious but for the laying out of "West Kelso," which will take place shortly. This addition lies on the river opposite the main town, and is a beautiful and level site for residence lots. If this builds up as rapidly as the main town has, it will add much impetus to the effort for a good, substantial bridge.

Many rumors are rife concerning the opening of the coal lands near here. It is well-known that the veins are heavy and of good quality, and the mysterious visits of presumed experts have done much to rouse curiosity. The guesses as to the probable buyers point to the N. P. R. R. and the Southern Pacific. At all events it is quite certain that some company will open this land during the coming year, and will make this an important shipping point. The coal deposits are heavier than those of the Roslyn coal fields, and of a much better quality than the Bufoda coal. These deposits run from the Coweeman river, in a north-westerly direction for an unknown distance. Out-croppings have been traced through the Arkansas district—a distance of over 12 miles.

The loggers of this region are anxiously awaiting enough rain to flood out their logs from the smaller streams. The unprecedented dryness of the season thus far has been disgusting to those whose logs lie inaccessible to the few logging railroads. Should the logs not "come out," it will make money scarce for some, but there are hopes as yet for a saving rain. There is great need of a logging road on the divide between the Ostrander and Coweeman. There are immense bodies of timber, probably the largest and finest in all this well-stocked country, which are so far from the rivers named that it is impossible to get the timber to them at reasonable cost. For this reason much of that land is yet untaken; the settlers preferring to take land near the streams. This is a fine chance for some capitalist to gain possession of and open up a large body of timber. A large part of this land is as yet practically inaccessible, as roads will have to be opened to it through the dense forest. Once well on the divide, however, and a horseman could ride right through, as the highlands are quite free from underbrush. Prospectors, who have been over the ground, pronounce it the finest government land in Western Washington. When once cleared it will make fine farms, as the land is a high and nearly level plateau, with a rich and lasting clay soil. Could a good road be opened along this divide to Mt. St. Helens, a hotel at the latter would make a capital summer resort. It is even now visited every summer by campers who work their way through the intervening jungle, for the sake of a glimpse at the wild mountain scenery, and a shot at the game, which is plentiful. The situation is fine for such a lovely mountain resort in the Northwest. Here is another chance for an enterprising capitalist to double his fortune.

PUGET SOUND SHIPPING.

A Record of Entrances and Clearances the Past Week.

PORT TOWNSEND, Feb. 2.—The records of the customhouse show the following vessels entered and cleared during the week:

ENTRANCES.

Str Willamette, from Portland to Seattle with general merchandise, January 26:

Str Walla Walla, from Victoria to Sound ports, with general merchandise, January 28.

Sh Richard Third, from San Francisco to Sound ports, with general merchandise, January 28.

Str Premier, from Vancouver to Sound ports, with general merchandise, January 28.

Str Ferndale, from Vancouver to Port Townsend, with coal, January 29.

Bk Carrolton, from San Francisco to Port Townsend, with ballast, January 29.

Str Signal, from San Francisco to Port Townsend, with general merchandise, January 29.

Str Alexander, from Victoria to Port Townsend, with general merchandise, January 30

Str Idaho, from San Francisco to Port Townsend, with general merchandise, January 30.

Str Ancon, from Alaska to Sound ports, with general merchandise, January 31.

Str Premier, from Vancouver to Sound ports, with general merchandise, January 31.

CLEARANCES.

Sh. Edward O'Brien, for Falmouth, from Tacoma with wheat, January 26.

Bk. Lizzie Williams, for San Francisco, from Seattle with coal, January 26.

Str. Premier, for Vancouver, from Sound ports with merchandise, January 26.

Str. Ferndale, for Nanaimo, from Port Townsend with ballast, January 26.

Str. Umatilla, for San Francisco, from Sound ports with merchandise, January 26.

Str. Walla Walla, for Vancouver, from Sound ports with merchandise, January 28.

Sh. Richard III, for Nanaimo, from Port Townsend with ballast, January 29.

Str. Premier, for Vancouver, from Sound ports with merchandise, January 30.

Sh. Knight Commander, for Coquimbo, Chili, from Tacoma, with lumber, January 30.

Bk. Malanesia, for Cork, Ireland, from Tacoma with lumber, January 30.

Str. Alexander, for Nanaimo, from Port Townsend with ballast, Jan 30.

Str. Idaho, for Nanaimo, from Port Townsend with ballast, January 31.

Title Insurance Company.

TACOMA, Feb 2.—Articles of incorporation of the Fidelity Title Insurance and Abstract Company were filed to-day. The objects are to insure persons having any interest in any real estate, either as owner, lessee, mortgagee, judgment creditor or otherwise, against loss by reason of any defect in title, or suits that may be brought against it. Capital, $250,000; trustees, George Browne, Thomas B. Wallace, John S. Baker, T. D. Powell, H. C. Wallace, John B. Hedges, William G. Peter, Louis D. Campbell, Isaac Anderson and Stuart Rice.

Bank clearances to-day were $74,022 76.

British Columbia Fruit-Growers Organize.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 2.—In response to an invitation from the mayor and board of trade of this city, delegations representing the fruit-growers of every section of British Columbia met at the Board of Trade rooms here and organized the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association. A president, directors and officers were elected. The object of the association is to promote the interests of fruit culture and extend the industry in this section.

Boycott on Scotch Boilers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—The local branch of the International Boiler-makers' Union have finally declared a strike in the Risdon Iron Works here, and a committee has been appointed to enforce a vigorous boycott against the works. They object to completing work on several large boilers to be used in the steamship Australia, which were ordered by the firm in Scotland and partly constructed there. Sixteen men out of 28 have struck.

Defrauded Depositors Organize.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—About 100 depositors of the California National bank of San Francisco held a meeting this afternoon and organized an executive committee to institute such proceedings as may be necessary to protect the interests of depositors and to secure punishment of such officials of the bank as may be criminally liable.

Killed by a Falling Tree.

MEDA, Or., Feb. 2.—Yesterday E. A. Harbour, an old and highly respected citizen of this place, was instantly killed by the top breaking out of a dead spruce and striking him on the head. Sam Foster, who was with Mr. Harbour, was struck on the shoulder and seriously injured. His recovery is doubtful.

Passenger Lists.

Oregon and California—Passed Medford: Mrs. D. Duncan, A. J. Miller and wife, L. W. Buckner, J. C. Crane, C. Truth, A. M. Gray, F. Lincoln, W. West, J. W. Fish, Jno. Collins, C. P. Newman, A. Titkar, A. S. Davis and wife, Miss Davis, J. S. Oppenheimer, C. Fetcheimer, W. S. Nuckles and wife, S. T. Arthur and wife, Thomas E. Stark, J. Heilbroomer, R. H. Gallaway and wife, H. Fav, Mrs. Rhodes, A. Schranz and 56 immigrants.

Speed the Day.

Kalama Advocate.

Some day there will be a universal law prohibiting the marriage of whisky-reeking, cigarette-smoking, nerve-shattered, brain-soddened, half-made-up young men, as unfit to propagate their kind. Public sentiment already recoils from the consummation of such marriages as it does from the union of idiots and lunatics.

A Distinguished Briton.

Chicago Mail.

We are pleased to note that the Earl of Onslow has got the job of governor of New Zealand. The noble lord is chiefly remembered in this country by the fact that while in Chicago with the Villard party he bought a suit of underclothing and had them charged to Henry Villard.

All Chronic, Nervous and Special Diseases Skillfully Treated.

Dr. E. G. Johnson, who recently spent eight months in the hospitals and leading medical institutions of New York City investigating the most recent discoveries in medicine and surgery, having resumed practice in Seattle, is prepared to treat all classes of chronic maladies, such as liver complaints, dyspepsia, rheumatism, all affections of the kidneys, heart and lungs, all skin and blood diseases, all ailments arising from a weakened nervous system, all rectal diseases, all genito-urinary diseases, and all diseases peculiar to women, according to the latest and most improved methods. Consultations free. Charges moderate. Office, corner Front and Cherry over Lowman & Hanford's store. 1-8

BIG BUFFALO FIRE.

Acres and Acres of Store Buildings Burned.

LOSS, THREE MILLION DOLLARS

The Firemen Could Do Nothing to Check the Triumphant Flames—One Man Killed.

BUFFALO, Feb. 2.—This morning between 3 and 7 o'clock flames destroyed more than $2,000,000 worth of property on Seneca street, Exchange street and adjoining streets. The following buildings were destroyed: Hoffeld's leather and belting works, the National Express Co.'s barns, Jewett & Co.'s stove warehouse, Root & Keating, sole-leather; Kibley & Holwood, candy; Swift & Steinbach, stoves; F. Egan and A. T. Kerr, wholesale liquor dealers; Broesel and Arlington houses; Danbury Hat Manufacturing Co.; T. W. Reynolds, shoes; J. E. Lewis & Co., wholesale crockery; Sidney, Shepard & Co., tinware; Henry Hearn, candy; Fowler & Sons, carriage hardware, and a number of other buildings.

A strong wind was blowing and the flames soon had a good hold on the buildings. At 8:25 the rear of the six-story brick building of Siley Holmwood, adjoining, caught fire. It contained nearly fifty tons of starch, which burned like tinder, carrying the flames over the entire building. From there the flames were communicated to Swift & Stambach's and T. C. Reynolds' stores and the Broesel hotel. The guests hastily moved their baggage. To add to the difficulties of the firemen, sleet began to fall in torrents. The scene on Carroll street was appalling. On the north side of the street Silbey & Holmwood's building was in ruins, and the Jewett building was blazing from basement to roof. At 4:15 the walls of the Jewett block fell with a shock that fairly shook the surrounding walls. A frantic struggle was made to get out the horses from the stable next to the Jewett block.

By 4:15 the front of the Broesel house fell in with a thundering crash, the firemen in front narrowly escaping death. Depite the efforts of the firemen Eagan's whisky store was soon in full blaze. There was nothing to do but leave the fire to run its course. By 5 o'clock the stores up to Shepard's had been gutted. The fire extends from A. T. Kerr & Co. down to Sydney. All of Wells street was burned through to Exchange street, and the corner burned out completely to the Arlington house.

The area included in the burned district is roughly estimated at from seven to eight acres. The number of buildings destroyed was forty.

The rear walls of the Arlington hotel have fallen, killing one fireman and injuring another.

TOTAL LOSS, THREE MILLIONS.

The principal losses are figured as follows: Root & Keating, $250,000; their tenants, $200,000; S. S. Jeletts & Co., $,000,000; Broezel house, $160,000; Sibley & Palmwood, $150,000; Fowler & Sons, $80,000; S. F. Eagan, $40,000; T. T. Kerr & Co., $30,000; S. F. Coatman, building and tenants, $500,000; losses on Exchange street, $750,000; losses on north side of Seneca, $200,000; other losses, $150,000; total, $2,785,000. Opinions have been given, however, that the entire loss will not fall short of $5,000,000.

Big Fire in Denver.

DENVER, Feb. 2.—The old Musee building, Seventeenth and Lawrence streets, recently occupied by the F. P. Scott Hardware Company, was burned this morning at 3 o'clock. The loss on the building, which was owned by Peter Gomery, was $50,000; insurance unknown. The loss to the hardware company is $80,000, insured for $40,000. Kirkpatrick & Co.'s furniture house, adjoining, was damaged by water $7500. The fire is supposed to have originated from the heating apparatus in the basement.

IN GOOD HANDS.

Mrs. Logan's Little Fortune Well Cared For.

Washington Letter in Philadelphia Record.

General Russell A. Alger of Michigan has charge of Mrs. Logan's little estate of $40,000. It could not be in better hands, for he is honest and successful in business. He has so invested it that it yields Mrs. Logan a handsome interest, and has so secured it that she simply cannot lose it unless Detroit falls into the river and disappears in Lake Erie. A friend of mine was in Alger's office in Detroit a day or two after Alger received the funds from Mrs. Logan, when a prominent banker came in. "How would you like to discount that?", asked Alger, handing him a note for $40,000. "Mrs. Logan's order, signed Alger & Smith"—his firm name. "Do it in a minute," promptly responded the banker. "I thought you would," said Alger, who could borrow half a million on his own personal note any day in the week except Sunday. "But just to make sure I got a few indorsements on the back so that the payee needn't have any trouble about it. Turn it over." The banker did so. The back of the note was simply covered with the names of Detroit millionaires, beginning with James P. McMillan, Michigan's next senator. The payment of the $40,000 was secured by from $50,000,000 to $100,000,000.

A Garter-Snake's Brood.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Garter-snakes have a habit of swallowing their young, which if a good brood, will frequently be as many as one hundred and up as high as three times that number. One day a countryman hitched his team in the backyard and told the door-keeper he had a big snake he would trade for admission for himself and family—nine altogether. I got the snake and put it in a box. It was a big one—some nine feet long, and mighty heavy. That night we came back from supper and found the place chock full of rising young garters. The largest was no more in size than a lead pencil. The place was full of them. You couldn't sit down in a chair but what they would climb up all six limbs. They were in our hats, chairs, desks, cages, on the floors, everywhere. Where in the world did they come from? was the great question. By chance some one struck the gong, and in a minute the mystery was solved. The hordes of little varmints began scampering to their mother. She quietly opened her mouth, and in they ran. Country snakes were put into tight boxes after that till such a time as we became well acquainted and knew whether it was one serpent or a serpent's skin full of sprouted snakeweed.

India Rubber Pavement.

Invention.

The authorities of the city of Basel intend repaving their principal thoroughfares, and are now considering the material best suited for the purposes. In one street a trial was given to wood pavement, but somehow it does not give satisfaction. The decision therefore, turns upon asphalt or india rubber. The latter was invented by the German engineer Brusse, in Linden, near Hanover, and was first practically used about fifteen months ago for paving the roadway over the Goethe bridge in Hanover, which required about 1000 square meters of material. This first experiment proved so successful that during the present year another street in Hanover was paved with India rubber to the extent of 1500 square metres. Berlin is also considering the advisability of availing itself of the same pavement, and has given it a fair trial by laying it down over a considerable distance near the Lutzow bank, which is being followed by Hamburg. The India rubber pavement is said to combine great elasticity with the hardness of stone, to be completely noiseless, and to suffer neither from cold nor hot weather. Moreover, it is not slippery like asphalt, and is more durable.

The Bustle as a Mouse Trap.

Hartford Times.

A few evenings since, as a young lady of Bridgeport was dressing for a party, a mouse put in an appearance and, naturally enough, created great confusion, but finally disappeared. After the lady had returned from the party and was disrobing for the night, what was her astonishment to find the poor mouse in her bustle, but the place of fancied security it had sought in the excitement of the chase had proved a deadly trap. At some time during its presence there it had been crushed to death.

As to a Home Market.

Chicago Times.

Accompanied by members of her family the wife of the president-elect has arrived at New York city on a shopping tour. A shopping tour! Indianapolis, the metropolis of Indiana and the home of the president-elect, whose grandsire was the battle of Tippecanoe, and Tyler, too, is a thriving and ambitious city situated in the heart of the agricultural region of the state. The city is rich and well provided with stores for the vending of all kinds of merchandise. What becomes of the home market if champions of the home market travel 1000 miles to do their shopping?

The Harrisons as provincials might have been bound by considerations of prudence to purchase thrir supplies at Indianapolis. But they are now children of the republic and their home market is coextensive with the boundaries of their own, their native land.

Starfish Destroying Oysters.

Oyster dredgers near Norwalk recently caught in one day 200 bushels of starfish, the biggest catch ever known in these waters. The starfish have destroyed many oysters on those beds during the summer, and have been caught at the rate of 25 to 100 bushels a day. The oysters from whose beds the stars were taken were removed from Bridgeport last summer for the express purpose of getting them away from the destroyers.

Boston's Heavy Taxpayers.

The largest individual taxpayers in Boston are: Frederick L. Ames, who pays $40,575.54 on $3,013,100 of real estate; Eben D. Jordan, who pays $20,612.54 on $1,518,100 of real and $20,000 of personal estate; Joshua M. Sears, who pays $50,153.52 on $3,617,800 of real and $125,000 of personal estate, and Arioch Wentworth, who pays $20,696.96 on $1,434,400 of real and $110,000 personal estate.

They Came in the Steerage.

The Judge.

Officer Kelly (who is getting the aftermath of the New Year's dinner and has taken an olive by mistake)—Phot kind o' grapes is thim, Miss Nora?

The Second Girl—Thim kem from Malligy.

Officer Kelly—They did? Well, thin, be hivins they kem in the shteerage.

A man may spout, and a man may shout
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Henry Clay.
—*Nebraska State Journal.*

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