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WOMEN FIGHT FOR LIFE

Fire in a Great Shirt Waist Factory at Troy.

A RUSH FROM THE TOP FLOORS.

Three Hundred Girls and Women Struggle to Get Down.

Three Jump and Are Instantly Killed, Several Others Are Severely Burned and There Are Bodies in the Ruins

—Pitiful Things That the Helpless Crowd in the Street Saw.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 17.—A small boy carelessly throwing a match into a pile of oily waste, a mass of flames, 300 girls and women frenzied with fright, fighting for life as the hot flames chased them with hungry tongues, marking the beginning of a fire tonight that consumed thousands of dollars' worth of property and caused the destruction of many lives.

Within twenty minutes after the first notice of impending disaster was the sight of a body of girls as they rushed out on the fire escapes from the windows, those who were more fortunate crowding out of the entrance. Following them was a mass of smoke, with flashes of hot flame in lurid streaks. Then the mass of frenzied humanity, finding the escapes too small for instant escape, began climbing over the sides of the escapes, and bundles of clothing filled with writhing humanity dropped at the feet of horrified passers-by.

Within twenty minutes after the fire started there were three dead women laid upon the floor of an adjoining store, and at least a dozen burned and maimed girls and women taken to the hospital or to their homes. Of the 300 girls and women in the building it is presumed that at least half a dozen are in the ruins, for it is impossible to locate all, and there may possibly be a score of dead.

It was just thirty minutes before the closing hour in Stethelmer & Co.'s shirt waist factory on Rivers street, and the 300 girls and women were working rapidly to finish up the evening's work. On the fifth floor the 150 girls were closing up their day's work, and preparing to leave when the whistle blew. Lillian Kreiger, who was working near a window, called to a small boy to light a gas over her work. The boy struck a match and threw the burning stub to the floor. It struck a pile of oily waste, and in an instant the girl was enveloped in flames. With her clothes and hair burning, she rushed to the window, and at once the room became a struggling mass of humanity, filling the windows, the fire escapes and the only stairway.

Jamming and pushing, tearing each other's clothes from their backs, turning in one another's arms, a sister, mother or friend, the number in the stampede increased every minute by those from the other floors, these girls and women fought for their lives to get away from the flames, that seemed to surround them on every side. With rare presence of mind Policeman Farrell, who was on the street, seeing that in the panic a number were liable to jump, he called to a woman to hold on to the railing. Barely was it down when two or three forms came diving down from the fifth and sixth stories, and bounding from the awning, where they had taken refuge, they were over the machine the fire started, and one of these. She struck the awning, fell on her back, and bounced to her hands and knees on the walk.

At the center window on the sixth floor a woman hanging by her hands was forced to let go, and fell to the ground. With a last shriek she let go and came tumbling over and over until she struck the pavement. When picked up it was found that she was Mrs. Margaret Carroll. Her spinal column was fractured, and she is unable to sit up. In another window, hung a woman turning appealing glances to the crowd. The black smoke was pouring out of the window, and she was almost within her grasp when her strength failed and she went twisting down to death. She was Mrs. Kane. The firemen and police worked for hours, and their energy was a great saving of life. At least a dozen of the women and girls were carried down the ladders or dragged out of the corridors. The general idea of firemen going into the midst of the smoke. The fire burned so fiercely by this time that no detailed search of the building could be made. It is believed that there were at least twenty women dead, and the story, even at this writing, does not seem improbable. The flames ate down through the floors so quickly that the Western Union Telegraph Company, the Jessup & Gopner Crockery Company and the Van Zandt & Jacobs collar manufacturer had no time to save anything. After the fire had started an adjoining house caught from the falling of a portion of the room, and from it the small buildings on the south caught.

About 8 o'clock the fire started striking coming from the topmost story on the south. They discovered an Italian peddler named Frank Rossi, who kept a stand on the front of the building, covered by the legs under a heavy beam. Three policemen started to assist him, and with a fireman worked for three-quarters of an hour. They had just about gotten him loose, when with a roar, the great fire came crashing down and the horrified spectators saw the brave little group buried from view. When the smoke and dust cleared there was a rush of willing workers, and in a little while the men were taken out. All were injured and had to be removed to the hospital. The Italian will probably die, but the brave policeman, while badly hurt, will recover. Capt. Willard, of the police force, says he saw a number of girls at windows who never came out, but he did not see any. One fireman, who was working from the rear, saw three girls with their arms wound tightly about each other, turn in their frenzy and jump back into the fire. Some of the women who escaped tell of stumbling over prostrate bodies, and are positive that a score of girls perished. The girls who did escape live in various suburbs, so that until the toll is called in the morning, the exact number of missing will not be known. Lillian Kreiger, Lottie and Nellie Hull, sisters, escaped each other tightly by the hands and started down the stairs from the sixth story. At the landing of the fifth floor, Lottie had on only her corset and skirts. Nellie had on only her corset and skirts. Nellie had on only her corset and skirts. Nellie had on only her corset and skirts.

TO FIGHT ON FRIDAY

Peter Maher Puts Up \$1,000 Forfeit for Appearance.

HIS EYES ARE STILL INFLAMED.

Bob Fitzsimmons Says the Irishman Is a Cur and a Coward.

Fitz Expires Like a Lion, Reviles the More Maher Crowd and Demands the Forfeit, Which He Fails to Get

—Jim Corbett Says He Will Challenge the Winner.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 17.—The fight was on and off on again, all within the space of thirty minutes, this afternoon. It is now definitely set for Friday, and Buck Connolly has agreed to post for Maher \$1,000 forfeit for failure to appear. The ring to fight on that day. Julian made every possible concession, and finally turned the whole matter over to a committee of five, all of whom were to be named by Connolly. If this committee decided that he was not entitled to the forfeit, he would agree to wait until Friday and have the fight then. The committee decided against him, and he failed accordingly. The conference was originally set for 10 o'clock. Stuart was the only one present at that time. After waiting a few minutes, he was also called to the ring to show up again until 1 o'clock. Meantime Julian and Connolly came, but made no headway in the matter of an agreement. When Stuart returned the conference opened.

Amelle Rives to Wed a Prince.

New York, Feb. 17.—The interesting rumor is circulated in this city that Amelle Rives, the famous opera singer, is to be married again, to Prince Troubetzkoi, and that the ceremony will be celebrated within a very few days. It is believed Mrs. Cranley, who secured the marriage, is well known to the public. Prince Troubetzkoi, during the latter part of last year, met the prince, who is well known in social and artistic circles in London and Paris, and he is believed to be the prince in the former capital. Mrs. Cranley, who had become a reigning favorite in society in London, is said to have met him at a garden party late last season. Mrs. Cranley, who is well known to the prince, met him at a garden party late last season. Mrs. Cranley, who is well known to the prince, met him at a garden party late last season.

The Date of Gen. Harrison's Wedding.

Indianapolis, Feb. 17.—As far as can be learned by the press, the wedding of Gen. Harrison and Miss Catherine Miller will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 10 o'clock. The date of the wedding is a matter of some interest, as it is the first time since the death of the late general that he has been seen in public. The wedding will be held at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, in the city of Indianapolis. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Mr. Miller, who is the pastor of the church in which the wedding will be held. The bride is the daughter of the late general, and the groom is the son of the late general's friend, Mr. Miller.

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Trapper to Try to Conciliate Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—In the face of the remedial bill just introduced in the Dominion House, the Dominion government, under Sir Charles Tupper, will make a big effort to retain the support of Manitoba. It is arranged to hold a big Conservative convention here within a fortnight, and Sir Charles Tupper telegraphed that he will attend the convention. The government's position on the school question. Sir Donald A. Smith, the millionaire of Montreal, who laid the foundation of the Dominion Bank, has large interests here, will be invited to be the candidate for Winnipeg. Sir Donald will arrive here during the day. Premier Bennett has accepted the leadership of the Irish party, notwithstanding Mr. Healy's earnest appeal to him to do so and the promise of the hearty support of the Healites.

The Race Horse Stonenell Killed.

London, Feb. 17.—While exercising on the race course at Lewes, Stonenell, the 6-year-old chestnut horse, formerly the property of M. F. Dwyer, was badly frightened at a pack of foxhounds today, and fell and broke his leg. The horse was killed.

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Handsome School Girl Murdered.

Omaha, Feb. 17.—A special to the Bee from Sheldon, Ia., says: This part of the state is in a fever of excitement over new developments which did fair to unravel the mystery surrounding the death of Miss Strawn, a handsome 15-year-old schoolgirl, whose lifeless body was found in her room at her married sister's home here last week. It was thought at first to be a case of suicide, but later developments have entirely exploded that theory, and A. L. Bull and G. Morrello have been arrested, charged with having criminal knowledge of the girl's death. It developed at the corner's inquest that while there was no outward indication of violence, yet there was proof of the girl having been brutally treated. It was also ascertained by witnesses that Bull and Morrello were seen to enter the house on Wednesday, the day that Miss Strawn was supposed to have been killed. Bull has of late been paying considerable attention to Miss Strawn, and the supposition is that Bull took Morrello along with him and administered chloroform they accomplished their ruin and death.

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