ORIGIN OF FIRE YET A MYSTERY.

Engineer Eddins Insists All Boilers Were Cold and Wires Were Dead in Schaper Bros.' and Penny & Gentles' Stores — Watchman James Cummings Released — Mrs. Nolte's Story Not Verified.

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SCENES AND INCIDENTS OF THE DAY AFTER THE FIRE.

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Crowds and Pickpockets.

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What is Good Health Worth?

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Revised List of the Losses and Insurance.

Firm.	Loss.	Insurance.
PENNY & GENTLES' DEPARTMENT STORE:		
On stock and fixtures	$[illegible]	$[illegible]
On building owned by Knox heirs	[illegible]	[illegible]
SCHAPER BROS.' DEPARTMENT STORE:		
On stock and fixtures	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building owned by Knox heirs	[illegible]	[illegible]
FAMOUS DEPARTMENT STORE:		
On stock and fixtures	Partial	
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
D. CRAWFORD & CO'S OLD STORE:		
On stock and building	[illegible]	[illegible]
PEOPLE'S HOUSE FURNISHING COMPANY:		
On stock and fixtures	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building owned by Moses Fraley	[illegible]	[illegible]
DEUR BROS.' FIVE AND TEN CENT STORE:		
On stock and bending	[illegible]	[illegible]
ST. LOUIS DRESSED BEEF AND PROVISION COMPANY AND H. PRODNKMAN, MANUFACTURER:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
HEERDTH MERCANTILE COMPANY, GLASS:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
A. NASSE, WHOLESALE GROCER:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
SCHLEDORNEIA SEED COMPANY:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
FRUNNING GLASS COMPANY:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
Frederick Pohlman saloon	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kate Marks, milliner, A. Gill, dentist	[illegible]	[illegible]
Standard Fashion Company, A. Jacobs and Arbetter & Richman	[illegible]	[illegible]
Peterson's Hair store, New Home Sewing Machine Company, Finney Clothing Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
Johnson Bros.' Drug Store	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hugh P. Boyle's Book Store	[illegible]	[illegible]
Herman Mesch, Music	[illegible]	[illegible]
Charles F. Lunes, Glass	[illegible]	[illegible]
Otto G. Barr, Jeweler	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fritz Smith Manufacturing Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ernest Schenck, Leather, G. Schultz & Son, Tailors, and Roring Sun Tea Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
W. Noel, Barber, stock and building	[illegible]	[illegible]
Baxlie Commission Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
J. Shoeffer Commission Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sloan & Richmond, George A. Benton & Co. and Wescott Commission Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
McCabe & Abbott	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nolan Distilling Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mackelin's Five and Ten Cent Store	[illegible]	[illegible]
Plant Seed Company	[illegible]	[illegible]
FRANKS MILLINERY AND CLOAK COMPANY:		
On stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
On building	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]

In some instances, where the loss suffered by a firm was only partial, the full amount of insurance carried is not given, instead, the insurance is made the same as the estimate of the loss.

time to be a little more deliberate, but they [illegible] a few feet clothes. While the firemen turned their attention to saving the lock on the corner, they got lines at hose up through the hallway which ended the tenement, and by hard fighting saved the northern half of the house. Mrs. Francis' rooms were flooded and the floors were soaked when she moved back Monday, but

who were turned out, and desired to re-establish themselves at once. While the flames were still being bravely fought by the firemen movements from the Mercantile Trust Company were being organized to the residences of the families of the firm affected, to which them of the displaced of their establishments.

The property loaned to the People's House

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A. J. Rayford and Jack Harlan Shot While Resisting Arrest.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLIC.

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MINISTERS' MEETINGS.

Centenary Church Reports 315 Conversions and 102 Additions.

The Epworth ministers had their regular monthly union meeting yesterday. The Reverend W. L. Nash presided, and the Reverend J. F. Hobart acted as secretary pro tem. The Reverend Mr. Hobart read a paper on the topic, "Is the Epworth League the pastor's assistant?" The Reverend Mr. Nash, the Reverend Mr. Hobart, the Reverend Mr. Chapman and others took part in the discussion. The Reverend Morris Stumpes stated he had five baptisms at his Sunday service, and the Reverend J. H. Brown reported ten. The Reverend Mr. Nash said he had received pledges to cover the two days on his church. The paper of the day was read by the Reverend Mr. Cole, and his theme was "The Negro in History." The paper was discussed by Doctor T. C. Carlston and the Reverend Messrs. Love, Alexander and Nash.

At the Christian ministers' meeting, Professor Carter, formerly of the Christian University, Canton, Mo., read a paper on "Shakespeare's Idea of a Great." It was favorably discussed by a number of the pastors present. The Reverend E. G. Fulton, the Reverend W. A. Jones and the Reverend Doctor B. R. Lanphear were appointed a committee to arrange for a Shakespeare reading on March 1. The First Church reported that $[illegible] was raised for church expenses last Sunday, and that the collection for missionaries was more better. It was stated that the Reverend Mr. Atwood, the oldest member of the church, had gone to Ohio to assist in evangelistic services.

The Congregational ministers were favored with a discussion on "Problems and Missions in Turkey," by the Reverend Doctor MacNaughton, missionary of the American Board.

The Episcopal Clericus met at Christ Church Cathedral as usual, and the Reverend J. D. Lindley read a paper on "The Religious Conditions of the World," which was favorably discussed by a number of the pastors present.

The Reverend Doctor Jesse Bowman Young, editor of the Central Christian Advocate, read an interesting paper on "Recent Discoveries and Public Libraries" at the Methodist Episcopal ministers' meeting yesterday. The doctor showed that all discoveries of material investigations contribute to prove the genuineness and authenticity of the Holy Scriptures, which compelled about seventeen of the entire New Testament which contained, in a way, of bearing upon the genuineness and authenticity of the remaining parts. Also, the position was taken that Paul was the greatest thinker in the history of the world. The paper was favorably discussed by Doctor [illegible] and a number of others. The Reverend Doctor Mutter of Pittsburg, Pa., and the Reverend Mr. Dwelle of the Southern Illinois Conference were present and were introduced. It was announced that the Ladies' Missionary Society would hold a special meeting at Union M. E. Church, Lucas and Garrison avenues, next Thursday evening.

At the Southern Methodist ministers' meeting yesterday the reports from the churches were all of an encouraging nature. Centenary reported 315 conversions as a result of the Harrison meetings and 102 additions. About twenty additions were reported in other churches. Among the announcements made were the following: The Reverend M. T. Hawk, pastor of St. Paul's, stated that his church would celebrate its 50th anniversary on March 4 and that Bishop Hargrove would be present; it is also proposed to have three services on that occasion, and the attendance of all the ex-pastors of the city. Also that special services will begin at the First Church February 25, and the pastor will be assisted by the Reverend Mr. Chapman, Doctor Mendell. It was reported, in reverse, that from the report on recently organized mission work it would have a special meeting on Wednesday of this week. The Reverend I. A. [illegible], of Washington, also and J. A. Collins of New Hebron, Miss., were introduced. The purpose of the day was read by the Reverend C. L. Smith of Chickwood and the subject was "Improving the Prayer Meeting."

At the Presbyterian Ministerial Association a meeting yesterday the time was occupied with papers from the churches and an address by the Reverend Doctor Stevenson, secretary of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. The doctor explained the use of tables from his department, and said that he is not responsible for not [illegible] the expenditure of the earnings of the [illegible]. He also stated that about twenty-five hundred miles in the islands of the Pacific Coast [illegible], and that he had never witnessed greater need for evangelistic work than in those islands. He closed his remarks with a stirring appeal to the pastors present to wake up their congregations to the need of contributing more liberally for missions and suggested the organization of the Bible and prayer band for boys and sending them out to those who did not contribute. The results from the churches brought out the following interesting items: Cerby Memorial Church had seven accessions to its membership last Sunday; the Second Church received nine; the West Church received five, Tyler Place six, Memorial Tabernacle seven. It was announced that there would be a meeting of the St. Louis Presbytery next Monday at No. 100 Locust street at 10 a. m. Also that Doctor Cleland would read a paper at the next meeting. The Reverend Wade P. Lynch of Bowling Green, Mo., pastor-elect of the Brook Memorial Church, was present and was introduced. The committee on a union communion service met at the close of the meeting and appointed Doctor J. F. Cowan to formulate a report for next Monday's meeting of the association.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Red Cross Nurses From the Philippines to Lecture.

A lecture will be given at Schuyler Memorial House, No. 1320 Locust street, this evening by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. [illegible], who served as Red Cross nurses in the Philippines until their health was failing and were relieved by the Red Cross Society to New York. They are taking the time of making their way to their home in Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] will give some Philippine experiences in camps in the Philippines. The public is invited.

The Reverend R. C. Cassily, evangelist, was in the city yesterday on his way to Memphis, Tenn., to conduct a series of revival services for the Reverend Doctor J. C. Morris, pastor of the Southern Methodist Church of that city. Doctor Cassily has been called to seek of revival meetings at Carrollton, Ill., which resulted in 700 additions to the churches on profession of faith. Yesterday Mr. Cassily entertained Doctors J. W. Lee, J. H. Young, W. F. Palmore, R. B. Stuart and the Reverend Mr. [illegible] and Mr. W. P. King with a Sunday luncheon at McTague's.

The Mount Auburn Epworth League will give an entertainment at the church, North Market street and Hodiamont avenue, next Friday evening. No admission fee will be charged, the purpose being to give an opportunity for the old and new members of the church to become better acquainted.

The Episcopal mission work of the City Hospital, Female Hospital, Poor House and Insane Asylum is now in charge of the Reverend E. W. Cornell.

The Reverend Doctor P. W. Speed has arranged for a trip to the South, and will probably include Havana, Cuba, in his trip. He will be gone two Sundays, and his pulpit will be supplied next Sunday by the Reverend J. H. Gallaher of Collinville, and the Sunday following by the Reverend Mr. Kline, American Sunday School Union Superintendent for the Southwest.

The Reverend Doctor D. R. Dungan, pastor of Mount Cabanne Christian Church, will deliver his lecture on "Married Folks" at the Fourth Christian Church this evening. All interested are invited.

The fifth of the series of "popular talks" at the Central Y. M. C. A. will be given this evening by I. H. Lionberger and his subject will be "A Book Worth Reading."

A series of revival meetings, under the direction of the Reverend M. L. Hanly of Illinois, is in progress at Union Mission and already good results are apparent. Last week a noted infidel was passing the mission and, hearing the singing, stepped in and in the course of the meeting was converted. The Reverend Mr. Hanly gives a Bible reading each afternoon at 2:30 and preaches at eight. The song service at each meeting is led by the Reverend Curtis Hoxie, evangelist, assisted by a special chorus. There will be a special temperance meeting tonight and Mrs. Clara Hoffman, president of the State W. C. T. U., will speak. Mrs. Hoffman has a national reputation as a temperance speaker. A similar meeting will be held next Tuesday evening. National W. C. T. U. evangelist, will speak.

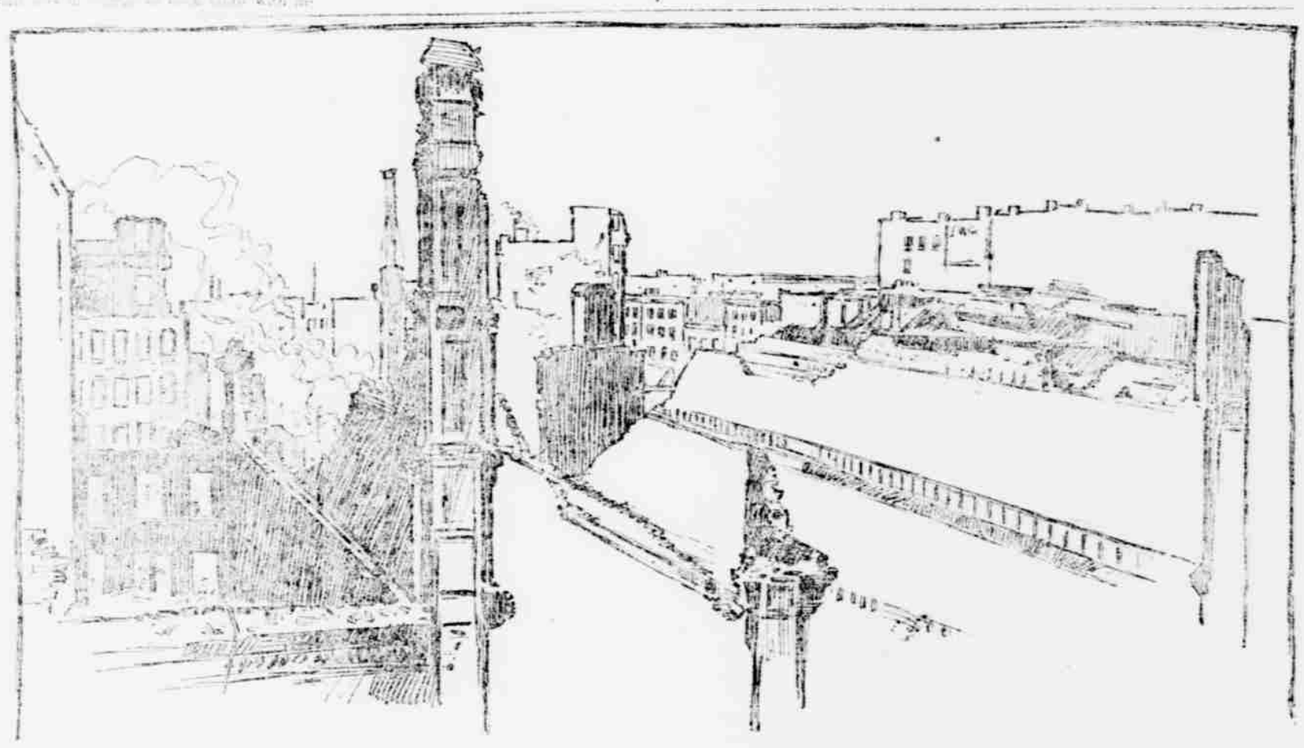
Claims Back Pay.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLIC.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 5.—Sam N. Warren, who was removed from the office of Live Stock Commissioner about six months ago, today filed a bill seeking to compel Comptroller King to issue a warrant for $[illegible] salary claimed to be due.

Pensions for Bridge Burners.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The bill giving a pension of $[illegible] to those known as the Fort Tompkins bridge burners was favorably reported to the House Committee on Invalid Pensions today.



BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE BURNED DISTRICT.

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Saved From the Flames.

Mrs. Richard Berry rushed out her sick baby on one arm and her 2-year-old girl on the other. Will Sire, Kennedy and her little ones, she found sleeping Sunday night on the floor of a Third-street commission house. Mrs. Emile Smith and her three children were asleep when the fire broke out, and had not time to dress completely when they were awakened. Four-year-old Roy, Seven-old Claude and 10-year-old Bessie rushed over each other into the street just before the flames entered their side of the house.

On the other side of the hallway, Mrs. John Bartley and Mrs. Bruno Prelle had

[illegible] she was the happiest woman in the whole district.

"Just to think!" she exclaimed, "the fire burned all around to here and also down on Franklin avenue, where our store is, and didn't touch us at all in a place. Everything is wet through and through, but I don't care, I feel like thanking every person I meet."

On the floor above were Mrs. Harley's two rooms. Her furniture had launched by Rame, Kelly or Clarke. After the fire was out she remembered that she had been carried to close every window and door. Monday she went for her sister, Mrs. Smith, and her three children. Now the two families live in two rooms. Both of the men are on the water front now, and things are not so comfortable as they might be but, as Mrs. Harley put it, "I saved my life and Roy saved his best coat, and if Claude did lose his overcoat we are very happy."

The three little ones and the kitten made a picture at the third-story window, which was doubtless in variance with their surroundings, and hundreds of sight-seers passing Fourth and Franklin to smile up at them and wonder who they were.

At 4:30 last night, just thirty-eight hours after the alarm for the fire was sounded, the gong in the fire engine houses struck the fire "out."

The fire was worth more than two circuses or any Veiled Prophet's parade to the street car lines. It seemed that everybody who is to be out found time to get downtown some time during Monday to take a look at the ruins. Hardly a car traversed the district at any time during the day without a crowd, and the return work was, of course, just as heavy. The loss is in part on companies by cutting the rather when what a bonanza is comparison with the city fire trace. An official of the company estimated the total cost of repairing the wires at $[illegible]. It is thought that all the cars will run over their own tracks today. The repairs were practically completed last night.

Assistant Chief Picked still has twenty extra policemen and almost the full force of the Fourth District on duty in the burned district. He is personally looking after the work and most order was maintained on all the congested streets yesterday and last night. Each store that still contains anything of value has its special guardian, and the strict watch will be maintained until the insurance adjusters have taken the responsibility on their shoulders.

Free coffee and sandwiches furnished to the hungry grants on Sunday by the proprietors of the Heinz Old Block Bakery at 17-19 [illegible] avenue, are talked of in every [illegible] in the city and Chief Swingley [illegible] the appreciation of the thoughtfulness by sending the restaurateurs a resolution of thanks.

EQUAL TO THE OCCASION.

Mercantile Trust Company's Good Lease to a Fire Sufferer.

The Mercantile Trust Company closed a lease early yesterday morning with the People's Furniture Company, whose place of business was destroyed in the great fire Sunday. The real estate department of the trust company was open all day Sunday, providing keys and information to the firms

Furnishing Company consists of the four-story buildings with basements, at Nos. 313 to 315 Olive street, owned by Mrs. J. L. J. Morrison, and formerly occupied by the Strauss-Emerich Company. This position of Olive street has been splendidly improved since then, and now that both the Broadway Furniture Company and the People's Company have leased large and commodious quarters and arranged to come back to the neighborhood of their original stands, it is likely to become more than ever the center of the retail furniture trade.

ONE WOMAN'S EXPERIENCE.

Insulted by a Man Who Picked Up Her Purse.

Yesterday Mrs. John Schreiner and Mrs. A. Feldmann of No. 2[illegible] Howard street came downtown to view the ruins of Sunday. On the way home Mrs. Schreiner dropped her purse, containing $15, at the corner of Seventh and Wash streets.

Before she realized it a man, Max Seifert, who was standing on the corner and saw the purse fall, darted forward and seized it. Mrs. Schreiner demanded the return of her purse, but Seifert only laughed at her and asked:

"How do I know the purse belongs to you?"

"You know it does, because you saw me drop it," replied Mrs. Schreiner.

"I don't know anything about it," said Seifert, "and I intend to keep it."

He then opened the pocketbook and took out a silver dollar, which he put in his pocket.

As Seifert handed back the pocketbook, which now contained $[illegible], he told Mrs. Schreiner to call a policeman and have him arrested. The lady wished to avoid the notoriety which she would get if she caused the man's arrest, so she caught hold of his coat and pleaded with him to return her money.

Seifert refused, and she then asked him to give back half of it. The man also refused to do this, and he threw Mrs. Schreiner violently aside.

Mrs. Schreiner is lame, and Seifert's violence caused her to fall heavily to the ground. She was assisted to her feet by her companion, and together they walked away. Mrs. Feldmann tried to persuade her companion to have the man arrested, but she had walked some distance before she decided to follow her friend's advice.

As the two women left the corner, Officer McDonald of the Fourth District appeared, and Seifert, fearing that the women would turn around and see the officer, asked him into the saloon to have a drink, which he paid for with the money taken from Mrs. Schreiner's purse.

When Seifert and McDonald emerged from the saloon they found the two women waiting for them. As soon as Seifert saw the women he tried to run, but they both held him until the policeman had grabbed him by the collar.

Mrs. Schreiner then told her story, and the policeman arrested Seifert, and he was locked up in the Fourth District Station. He admitted his guilt.

Have you attended the great clearing sale of china dinner sets and fine cut glass at Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust? Beautiful goods; prices wonderfully reduced.

PLANS PERFECTED.

United States Flour and Milling Co. to Be Put on a Firm Basis.

New York, Feb. 5.—The Reorganization Committee of the United States Flour and Milling Company met today and, according to Secretary George W. Pallen, perfected a plan for the rehabilitation of the company. A strong syndicate will underwrite the $[illegible] floating debt, he said, and advances after capital necessary to a successful reorganization. Just when the syndicate will come out he will not say, but it is known that General Samuel Thomas, Edwin Gould, Brayton Ives and William L. Bull are among the promoters.

Mill on the Co-operative Plan.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLIC.

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 5.—A. Eves, M. L. Friend and J. B. Vanderveer of Hennessy have filed articles of incorporation and issued a charter for the Farmers' Co-operative Company. Farmers and grain co-operate, asked a take stock. The object is to build a big flouring mill at Hennessy on the co-operative plan.

Kansas City's New Rival.

Washington, Feb. 5.—C. C. Philbrick, a newspaperman and a member of the Board of Trade of Columbus, says that his city is an active candidate for the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee during the coming campaign. He has been talking with prominent Democrats in favor of that city.

Bubonic Plague at Honolulu.

Washington, Feb. 5.—United States Agent Hayward has added the State Department from Honolulu, dated January 31, as follows: Since the 13th of January there have been twelve new cases of bubonic plague at Honolulu and six deaths.

Puerto Rico Wants a Loan.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Senor Lucas Amadeo, a Puerto Rican, advised the House insular committee today that a loan of about $[illegible] and the creation of stable conditions were necessary to bring Puerto Rico out of its present deep depression. Some opposition developed in committee to redemption of Puerto Rican coins at 60 cents on the dollar and their recoinage.

Postmasters Nominations Confirmed.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations: Postmasters: North Dakota—M. F. Kepner, New Rockford.

California—L. S. Calkins, Nevada City.

Nebraska—J. H. Crowder, Bordon.

EXTRAORDINARY MERIT

of a New Catarrh Cure.

Physicians are slow to take up new and untried remedies until their value has been established by actual experiment, and they are naturally skeptical of the many new preparations offered and appearing and for which extraordinary claims are made.

The most liberal and enlightened physicians are always ready, however, to make a fair trial of any new specific and get at its true medical value.

A new preparation for the cure of catarrh has attracted much attention in the past few months and has met with great favor from the medical profession not only because it is remarkably successful in the cure of catarrh, but also because it is not a secret nostrum, neither any one using it knows just what he is taking into his system.

It is composed of Sanguinaria, which acts on the liver and mucous membrane; Hydrastin, for nasal purposes, to clear the nasal from nose and throat, and Eucalyptol and Guaiacol, to destroy catarrhal germs in the blood.

All of these antiseptic remedies are combined in the form of a pleasant lasting tablet or lozenge and are sold by druggists under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and many recent cures in chronic catarrh cases have established its merit beyond question.

Doctor Sehring states that he has discarded douches, sprays and washes and depends entirely upon Stuart's Catarrh Tablets in treating nasal catarrh. He says: "I have had patients who had lost the sense of smell entirely and whose hearing was also impaired from nasal catarrh recover completely after a few weeks' use of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets. I have been equally successful with the remedy in catarrh of the throat and catarrh of the stomach. I can only explain it on the principle that catarrh is a constitutional disease, and that the antiseptic properties in these tablets drive the catarrhal poison completely out of the system."

Doctor Odell says: "I have cured many cases of catarrh of stomach in past four months by the use of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets alone, without the use of any other remedy and without dieting. The Tablets are especially useful in nasal catarrh and catarrh of the throat, clearing the membranes and overcoming the continual hawking, coughing and expectorating, so disgusting and annoying to catarrh sufferers."

All druggists sell Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at 50 cents for full-sized package, and a little book on cause and cure of catarrh will be mailed free by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

HOT FOOT TO HARRIS FOR COOL FEET 520 PINE.