

BARE WALLS STAND

EAST HALF OF THE RYAN ANNEX AND THE SCHUTTE BLOCK

ARE NOW DISMANTLED RUINS.

LOSSES WILL REACH ABOUT \$200,000, INSURED FOR ABOUT HALF.

RYAN FACADE IS CONDEMNED.

Building Inspector Kingsley Orders It Taken Down at Once for Public Safety.

The ruins of the Ryan annex and the Schutte block, which were literally gutted by the fire yesterday morning, were visited yesterday by thousands of persons. The eastern half of the Ryan annex and the Schutte block three hours after the fire started consisted of only the walls of the buildings and a heap of debris in the center of each of the enclosures. The fire from the time it was discovered until it was practically extinguished burned with intense fierceness and seemed to almost defy the efforts of the department. Every piece of apparatus in the department which could be used was in service, and the members of the department from the chief and his assistants down to the minor employees worked as never before in the history of the department. That the Ryan hotel, the western part of the annex and the Hale building on Jackson street are standing uninjured is due to the work of the firemen and the battle raged which they gave the flames. There was a disposition in some quarters yesterday to criticize the manner in which the fire was handled by Chief Jackson, owing to the fact that the Schutte block burned. When it is known however that the burning of this block was due more to the faulty construction of the two buildings nothing remains to be said.

When Chief Jackson reached the scene he saw at a glance that it would require well directed and hard work to save the Ryan hotel, and he at once put forth every effort to confine the flames to the building in which it started and prevent the hotel from fire. When the roof of the part of the annex in which the fire started fell in it carried with it a portion of the wall on the sixth floor of the building between the annex and the Schutte block. This wall, which was only eight inches thick above the sixth floor and into which the joists of the two buildings were set, jolted out for a distance of twenty feet. It was through this opening that the fire caught in the Schutte block, and as the members of the department and the apparatus were having all they could do at other points the result was inevitable.

The Globe yesterday covered the fire very fully. The estimate of the loss then given was close to the figures, and readers of the paper were given a complete account of the blaze when they unfolded it at the breakfast table. There was no loss of life, and with the exception of several members of the fire department, who were thrown from the roof of the boiler and engine room of the Ryan hotel by a falling of a portion of the rear wall of the annex, there were no accidents. A number of persons roomed in the Schutte block, but as it was nearly an hour after the fire started before they were awakened, they were given ample time to

get out without any danger to their lives. None of the tenants in the Schutte block saved any of their effects, and as there were over a score who had offices in the building, some having little and others no insurance, the loss will be severely felt in a business way. The work of the police department during the fire was most efficient, and Capt. Rouleau was highly commended for his manner in which he directed the operations of his men. As soon as the scene of the fire was reached, Capt. Rouleau realized that dangerous conditions might be created if the fire were not kept under control. He directed extra details of patrolmen from the sub-stations. The patrol wagons soon brought the detachments and almost before the crowd had begun to gather, the approaches to the fire from all sides were guarded by policemen who allowed no one to pass the lines to endanger their lives and interfere with the work of the department. Capt. Rouleau established a temporary headquarters in the rotunda of the Ryan hotel and reports from the firemen, lieutenants and sergeants every few minutes. Old officers, familiar with the local thieving fraternity, were stationed at the entrances of the hotel, and no matter what the excuse, none were permitted in the building who were not at the fire in some official capacity. Patrolmen were stationed on every floor of the hotel to keep the cars of guests with assurance of no immediate danger, and after the fire was over many a big policeman received a warm thank offering from a timid woman whom he had piloted down stairs, or from a little child whose terror he had assuaged. Col. Welz was loud in his praise of the work of the department and in a large measure attributes the absence of a panic and possible thieving to the systematic direction of Capt. Rouleau.

The best figures as to losses and insurance are as follows:

Estimated Loss	Insurance
Ryan annex building	\$53,000
Saunders & Houghton	1,500
Charles Conahan	2,000
Mrs. Capron	500
Mrs. Ryan hotel plant	1,000
Schutte building	75,000
Schutte building rents	5,000
Northern Exchange bank	3,000
Neff & Rosenquist	4,500
L. A. Reimke	2,500
Dr. Denny	2,000
Dr. Munson	1,000
E. S. Kaye	1,200
O. D. Curtis Printing company	1,500
Dr. Olden	1,000
Dr. Sandberg	2,500
Dr. Pool	1,500
J. W. Wegman	600
Dr. Cornwell	1,500
George W. Denegre	500
Prudential Insurance company	1,000
Dr. Miller	300
J. Reim	500
Seventeenth street, where fire originated	10,000
Twin City Printing company	2,000
J. V. Brower—Library, geological and archaeological collection, manuscripts, field notes, surveying instruments, furniture; loss total	6,000
Totals	\$197,850
The insurance on the entire Ryan building	\$100,000
North British and Mercantile	75,000
Phoenix of London	2,500
Real Fire and Marine	10,000
Lancashire	7,500
German-American	1,500
Queen	15,000
London & Lancashire	3,000
Providence of Washington	5,000
Newark	5,000
Seventeenth street, where fire originated	10,000
National of Hartford	5,000
American of Boston	5,000
Mercantile Fire and Marine	5,000
Total	\$300,000

The loss on the Ryan annex is estimated at \$53,000, with an insurance of \$50,000 in the companies mentioned above. The loss on the division from 138 to 144 East Seventh street, where fire originated and on which loss is total, \$25,000. On division known as 130 to 136 East Seventh street, which division was badly burned, the loss is estimated at \$25,000 insurance. The loss in this division is estimated at fifteen per cent. All policies covered proportionately on the various divisions.

The insurance on the Schutte block amounted to \$30,000 in the following companies:

Springfield	\$10,000
North British and Mercantile	5,000
Northwestern Mutual	5,000
Commerce	2,500
Delaware	2,500
Buffalo German	5,000

There was also \$5,000 insurance on rents, of which \$2,500 was in the German American, of New York and a like amount in the Atlas.

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The Schutte block was insured for \$30,000, the companies holding the policies being as above. In addition to the insurance in the building there was an insurance of \$5,000 on the rents. The loss on the building is estimated at \$25,000. Building Inspector Kingsley, after an inspection of the block, said that they were in a safe condition, and he was of the opinion that they could be used in reconstruction.

Dr. C. F. Denny, whose effects were burned in the Schutte block, had an insurance of \$10,000 in the Springfield, Mass., company.

The O. D. Curtis Printing company puts their loss at \$1,500, with an insurance of \$1,500 in the Springfield, Mass., company.

Smith & Davidson, saloon men, place their loss at \$10,000 with insurance of \$10,000.

Gift Editions of Music Books. Collections of Juvenile Songs. Neidlinger—Small Songs for Small Fingers. Boards. Illustrated. \$1.50. Schuler—Finger Plays. Cloth. \$1.25. De Koen—Songs of Childhood. Musical settings of poems by Eugene Field. Boards. \$2.00. Songs—Musical Gems. Boards. \$2.00. Poems by Eugene Field. Cloth. \$2.00. A number of interesting novelties of this character.

LITERATURE. Celebrated Pianists—Short Biographies. \$1.50. Gounod—Memoirs of an Artist, an autobiography. Cloth. \$1.75. Reminiscences of Liszt. \$1.50. A compilation of the author's famous lectures on musical topics. The newly discovered letters of Liszt. \$1.50. Walker—Letters of a Bartitone. Cloth. \$1.50. Great Singers—Great Composers. Set containing 100 illustrations. \$3.75.

Albums of Band Songs—Paper \$1.25. 4 Vols. 4th Edition. Cloth \$2.95. Luxe. Cloth. \$2.50. Classic Piano Solos—Paper \$1.00. 2 Vols. 4th Edition. Boards \$1.00. Modern Piano Solos—Paper \$1.00. Masterworks in Standard Classics. The Celebrated "Billion Peters" and "Lullaby Edition." From \$1.00 to \$5.00. Photographs of the world's most renowned Artists. Cabinet size. \$1.50. Musical Books for all denominations. Wagner Music Dramas—Both Vocal and Piano scores, original editions. \$1.50 to \$5.00. The Mistletoe—Latest musical Maxims. \$1.00. \$1.50. \$2.00. \$3.00. \$4.00. \$5.00. \$6.00. \$7.00. \$8.00. \$9.00. \$10.00. \$11.00. \$12.00. \$13.00. \$14.00. \$15.00. \$16.00. \$17.00. \$18.00. \$19.00. \$20.00. \$21.00. \$22.00. \$23.00. \$24.00. \$25.00. \$26.00. \$27.00. \$28.00. \$29.00. \$30.00. \$31.00. \$32.00. \$33.00. \$34.00. \$35.00. \$36.00. \$37.00. \$38.00. \$39.00. \$40.00. \$41.00. \$42.00. \$43.00. \$44.00. \$45.00. \$46.00. \$47.00. \$48.00. \$49.00. \$50.00. \$51.00. \$52.00. \$53.00. \$54.00. \$55.00. \$56.00. \$57.00. \$58.00. \$59.00. \$60.00. \$61.00. \$62.00. \$63.00. \$64.00. \$65.00. \$66.00. \$67.00. \$68.00. \$69.00. \$70.00. \$71.00. \$72.00. \$73.00. \$74.00. \$75.00. \$76.00. \$77.00. \$78.00. \$79.00. \$80.00. \$81.00. \$82.00. \$83.00. \$84.00. \$85.00. \$86.00. \$87.00. \$88.00. \$89.00. \$90.00. \$91.00. \$92.00. \$93.00. \$94.00. \$95.00. \$96.00. \$97.00. \$98.00. \$99.00. \$100.00.

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MAGEO THE MARTYR HIS MEMORY HONORED BY A MASS MEETING AT NEW YORK.

JEWELS FOR CUBA LIBRE GIVEN BY EXCITED WOMEN IN THE NOBLE CAUSE OF FREEDOM.

SECRET MEETING OF THE JUNTA. All Information Denied Regarding the Purpose of the Extended and Serious Conference.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The members of the Cuban Junta were in secret session from 9 o'clock a. m. until 4:30 p. m. today. The proceedings were carried on behind closed doors and it has been impossible to ascertain what the cause of the hurried conference was. T. Estrada Palma, the president of the junta, had this to say in reply to an interview with Premier Canovas, in which he declared an insurrection would surely be quelled: "Canovas may say what he pleases, but he knows that the Cubans have taken up arms for the purpose of dislodging the Spanish yoke of tyranny, and that they will not enter into any arrangement whatever that falls short of the absolute freedom of Cuba. They have absolute confidence in the outcome of the war. For the Cubans freedom has already been achieved. They have a free government and 40,000 well armed men in the field who obey the government. It is ridiculous to hear from the lips of the prime minister of Spain that negroes compose the bulk of Cuba, when the prisons of Cuba and the penal colonies of Africa are full of Cubans belonging to the highest class."

A meeting in memory of the late Gen. Antonio Maceo was held in Chickering hall tonight, under the auspices of the fifteen Cuban societies of New York city, although the majority of the guests were from the city of Havana. The greatest excitement prevailed. When the collection boxes were passed, women, who composed nearly one-half of the guests, tore off their rings and other articles of jewelry and threw them in. The stage was decorated with flags of the United States, and the Cuban and other American republics. The colors of the Cuban flag were also present. A portrait of Gen. Maceo occupied a prominent place at the center of the stage. Beneath it were four flaming torches, bound together with a wreath of laurel.

Chief Jackson said yesterday that, in his long experience as a fighter of fires, he had never seen anything to compare with the blaze of yesterday. The fire, he said, was a very unusual one, and seemed to spread with lightning rapidity. He had every piece of machinery in the city under his hand, but could have used ten more engines had they been available. He had concentrated all his forces in the alley between the Ryan annex and the west end of the annex. When the roof of the east part of the annex fell in it carried with it a part of the wall used as a party wall by the Ryan annex and the Schutte block. This allowed the fire to get into the Schutte block. The fact that the fire was only an eight inch wall on the sixth floor of the annex, and this was used to put the joists from both buildings in, was responsible, the chief said, for the flames passing to the Schutte block. He had his men working on the roof of the Ryan annex, and saving the hotel building and also on Jacking street, realizing that, if the Hale building should be destroyed, it would save the hotel from destruction. He had been informed that his course had been criticized, but he felt that those who found fault with him were fully advised as to the facts or else did not know anything about fighting fires. The engines summoned from the Ryan annex and the Schutte block, but simply acted as a reserve, all the apparatus being at work at the fire. The burned buildings, he said, were veritable furnaces, and considering all the circumstances, he thought the department had acquitted itself nobly.

The firemen injured by the falling of the wall were reported last evening as resting comfortably. All of the men were members of engine company No. 4, and were on the roof of the Ryan annex when the wall fell. So violent was the concussion that the men were swept from the roof of the building like matches. Capt. McStary, who was badly injured, and Lieut. O'Mara, who was the most seriously injured, had his spine badly wrenched. Pipe-man Fontaine had both ankles sprained.

Call at the State Savings Bank for a handsome 97 calendar.

GREENVILLE PINCHED AGAIN. Hero of the Olympian Games in Durance Vile. Two more important arrests in connection with the series of burglaries which have kept the police busy during the past few weeks were made by Detective Daly yesterday, when George Greenville and Frank Stephans were locked up at the central station on a charge of burglary. The arrests were made on warrants sworn out by A. Johnson, whose music store at 40 West Broadway was robbed of instruments valued at \$100 the night of December 6. When the men were safely behind the bars, John St. Aubin, who has been under arrest since Thursday, was also formally served with a warrant, charging him with being concerned in the same robbery. St. Aubin is also the man accused of burglarizing the residence of Dr. Smith, in company with Peter Shank, last Wednesday night.

Including the gang which broke into the Rudawsky residence on Canada street, eight alleged burglars are now in custody and the police claim to have evidence of a convicting nature against all but possibly one of them. Just how the recent arrests have come about has not been given out, but all of the accused men have been subjected to the sweat box process at various times since their arrest, and it is the general conclusion that some of them have been "ginned up" implicating the others. Information implicating Stephans and Greenville, and Stephans are said to be the men who, in addition to their other depredations, McDonough & Bowers, at Peter Wabasha streets, the same Sunday night that Johnson's music store was broken into. The burglars were seen at the store a second time after having been frightened away by the noise following the breaking of the window.

Greenville, Stephans and Shank were arraigned in the municipal court yesterday afternoon and secured a continuance until Wednesday. Greenville is a wrestler, and has appeared in alleged matches at the Olympic theater.

The individual savings banks to be had at our State Savings Bank make also useful, as well as ornamental Christmas presents.

LADA, O., Dec. 19.—Eight hundred students, headed by a brass band, paraded the streets and made a demonstration for free Cuba last night. The night of Peter Willis, a strong sympathizer, they were led by Willis, who carried a banner that read "Free Cuba." Weyer

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Good Fortune in Silks!

READ EVERY ITEM

New Silks for 69 Cents, Worth \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

New Silks for Evening Gowns, for Evening Waists, for Street Dresses, Petticoats, etc.

Heavy Cream Brocade Taffetas, Heavy Monotone Silks, Heavy Persian Silks, Printed Warp Taffetas, Brocade Taffetas in Delicate Tints, Black Silks with Colored Figures.

Heavy Brocade Evening Satins, Heavy Brocade Gros Grains, Double-Faced Novelty Silks, Changeable Ruffle Taffetas, Changeable Taffetas in Delicate Tints, Heavy Cream Brocade Satins.

All of these and many others, for

69 Cents

a yard at 9 o'clock. Expect much and you will not be disappointed. The best stores in New York and Chicago sell them for \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Is not this a good fortune in Silks?

ALL OF THESE FOR 19 CENTS! Imported Black China silks, worth 39 cents; Imported White China silks, worth 39 cents; Colored Wash Chinas, worth 48 cents; Remnants of Plain Silks and Figured Taffetas, worth up to 65 cents.

All of the above for 19 Cents at 9 o'clock. All the Remnants for the special 69c and 97c tables, and many 1, 2, 3 and 4-yard lengths of Silks, worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00, all at one price. 49c

3,000 yards of Silks, made up by the foremost makers in this country—Cheney Bros., Hamil & Booth, Pelgram & Meyer and others—Silks that ought to sell for \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50 under normal trade conditions, choice for. 97c

BLACK SILKS FOR CHRISTMAS.

We can save money for you on Black Silks, if you'll give us a chance. These offerings should appeal particularly to men. Just throw out a hint and ask them to step into our Silk Department. We'll do the rest.

Peau de Soie Value \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.50 \$1.75 \$2.25 Sale price 58c 69c 88c 98c \$1.48

Satin Duchesse Value \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.50 \$1.75 \$2.25 Sale price 50c 69c 98c \$1.18 \$1.48

Twenty pieces Handsome New Black Brocades, in rich, new designs, worth \$1.50, for 98 Cents.

Dress Goods for Christmas. Our sale on Christmas Dress Patterns has captured the hearts of women. Five or six hundred Dress lengths are so arranged that the entire assortment may be inspected in a few minutes. Time is money—and you save both by buying here.

Full Dress Lengths for \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, and up to \$10.00.

Another feature is the great new stock of Dress Goods, bought right after the election. The Novelty Suitings at 50, 60 and 75 cents are wonders.

All-Wool Suitings, 48 inches wide, for 47 cents. All-Wool English Checks, 85 cents. Imported Novelties—Silk and Wool Mixtures—for \$1.00. Novelties that sold for \$2.00 six weeks ago are now \$1.25. All-Wool Canvas Suitings, \$1.25. All-Wool Granite Suitings, only 85 cents.

Broadcloths are the novelty of the season. We have the only stock in Minnesota. And we carry the best qualities brought to the United States. New Blues, New Greens, New Browns and New Plum shades.

Black Goods Specials. \$1.50 Wide Wale Chevrons for \$1.00. \$1.65 Rough Camel's Hair for \$1.00. \$1.50 English Serges for \$1.00. All-Wool Serges for 25 cents. Heavy Storm Serges for 39 cents. 85c Fancy Jacquards for 67 cents. \$1.25 Fancy Weaves for 85 cents.

Genuine Imported Hair Cloth, warranted real horse hair, gray only, all you want for 23 Cents a yard tomorrow—one day only.

60 pieces of Rustic Taffetas, in black and all colors, real silk rustie, a full yard wide, for 11 Cents a yard tomorrow—one day only.

Christmas Gloves and Handkerchiefs

What makes a daintier or more acceptable gift to a lady than a box of one, two, or three, or half a dozen pairs of Kid Gloves? Especially "Jouvin" Gloves. A lady will think more of a pair of "Jouvin" Gloves than of three pairs of inferior gloves. "Jouvin" Gloves are the best in the world, and they cost you no more than poorer kinds.

If uncertain as to sizes, get one of our "Dainty Glove Certificates." The stock of Real Lace Duchesse Handkerchiefs is now complete. The prices are: 75 Cents, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and up to \$10.

The Special Sale of Irish and French hand-embroidered Handkerchiefs will be continued. Fresh lots go on the center tables every day. 35c and 50c kinds for 25 Cents. 75c kinds for 50 Cents. \$1.00 and \$1.25 kinds for 75 Cents.

Fancy Handkerchiefs, with scalloped edges and drawn work, are shown in nearly one thousand different patterns and all at most reasonable prices. To those who prefer plain hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, we recommend John S. Brown & Son's "Shamrock" Linen. These we import direct and sell them on a wholesale basis. 18c quality for 10 Cents. 25c quality for 18 Cents. 40c quality for 25 Cents. No further reductions for dozen lots.

John S. Brown & Son's Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, with hand-embroidered initials, \$1.50 per box of half-dozen. Equal qualities sell everywhere for \$2.00.

Econo Hood's Pills

Which builds up, and strengthens the system. Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, and sure to operate. 25c

Sarsaparilla

Which builds up, and strengthens the system. Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, and sure to operate. 25c

FIELD, SCHLICK & CO. Stationery. 200 fancy boxes of Christmas stationery must be closed out tomorrow and Tuesday. We need the room for other things. Don't expect to find any of these after Tuesday night. 25 Cents

Christmas Specialties. 2,288 yards of highest grade Paris Chiffons, Mousselines, satin Chiffons and Chiffonettes that were 75c, 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25, will go at... 58c

Real Tortoise Shell Hair Pins and Combs, finest quality at the lowest prices in this country. Sterling Silver Novelties at prices that will surprise the closest buyers. The assortment of Leather Goods in the best we ever had—and we always had the best stock in St. Paul: Coin Purses, Dressing Cases, Pocket Books, Brush Sets, Card Cases, Music Rolls, Letter Books, Collar Boxes, Bill Books, Ink Stands, R. R. Pass Books, Address Books, Writing Pads, Diaries, Writing Sets, Chateleine Bags.

The 50c Bargain Table is catching the town. Every evening we fill it up with odd pieces and broken lines which accumulated during the day. In this way you can get many things worth from 75c to \$1.25 for 50 cents.

Christmas Aprons. Here's a snap. About 125 Fancy Aprons were used in our window display. They're not soiled—only slightly mused. Pass a hot flatiron over them and save from 50c to \$1 on an apron.

600 Victoria Lawn Aprons, with deep hem and lace insertion, Monday. 18c

About 1,200 Fancy Aprons of Victoria Lawn, India Linen and Swiss Muslin, dozens of styles, trimmed with lace, ribbon or embroidery. Choice tomorrow. 35c

For the Baby. 600 Bibs, 3 Cents each. Crocheted Booties, 25 Cents. Shetland Veils, 10 Cents. Kid Shoes, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Bishop Slips, trimmed with dainty embroidery, only 50 Cents tomorrow.

For Men. Store open every evening until Christmas. No excuse for spending money for poor goods. And there's no reason why you should pay fancy prices for good things. All sorts of stylish and worthy Men's Furnishings at prices that make economical buyers happy.

New lines have been added to the stock of Silk Neckwear. Puff and Imperial Teck Scarfs in single boxes, regular 75c and \$1.00 qualities, for... 58c

Jap Silk Handkerchiefs, with colored borders or plain hemstitched, 40c and 50c kinds, for... 25c

We're long on Mufflers and Bath Robes. These reductions should clear the stock in the next few days. 50c Mufflers for 39 Cents. 75c Mufflers for 55 Cents. \$1.00 Mufflers for 79 Cents. \$1.25 Mufflers for 90 Cents. \$1.50 Mufflers for \$1.15. \$2.00 Mufflers for \$1.55. \$2.50 Mufflers for \$1.95.

Terry and Eider Down Bath Robes. \$2.50 kinds for \$2.00. \$3.00 kinds for \$2.35. \$3.50 kinds for \$2.85. \$4.50 kinds for \$3.75. \$5.00 kinds for \$4.00.

Dent's \$2 Gloves for \$1.80. Perrin's \$2 Gloves for \$1.60. Jouvin's \$2 Gloves for \$1.65. Cartier's \$1.50 Gloves for \$1.25. Fowne's \$1.75 Gloves for \$1.25.

Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 80 cents per half dozen. (In the Men's Furnishings Department only.) Knit Gloves and Mittens, 25 and 50 cents. Handkerchiefs of Silk or Linen, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c and 80c. Lined Gloves and Mittens, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. Night Shirts, 50c, 58c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Suspenders, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

Silk Umbrellas for men and women. No charge for engraving silver-mounted ones. Store open evenings until Christmas.

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