

BULLETIN OF THE ST. PAUL GLOBE.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27, 1897. Weather for Today—Fair; Westerly Winds.

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LOSS OF PHILADELPHIA VISITED BY THE MOST DISASTROUS FIRE IN RECENT YEARS.

WANAMAKER'S IN DANGER.

HIS BIG STORE THREATENED, BUT SAVED WITH A COMPARATIVELY SMALL DAMAGE.

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Flames Fought With Great Difficulty Owing to the Intense Cold Which Prevailed.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 26.—A tiny spiral of smoke curled out of the window of a big building on Market street at 6:50 o'clock this morning. A few hours later, one of the most valuable blocks of real estate in the city had been consumed in raging flame. It was the block bounded by Market, Thirteenth, Filbert and Juniper streets, in the very heart of the city. A few steps to the right looms the massive city hall; around the corner the Pennsylvania railroad terminal, and directly across the way John Wanamaker's great store stretches from street to street. So fierce was the flame and so strong the wind which aided its destructive work, that even this building, distant as it was from Market street, was saved, almost by a miracle, from total destruction, and Mr. Wanamaker tonight places his loss at \$100,000. The total loss is variously estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$2,500,000, but in the chaos and confusion now existing, it is all but impossible to secure accurate figures. The losses are very generally covered by insurance.

The flames were first discovered by John Warner, a retired policeman, who was passing the big building at 6:50 o'clock. He immediately turned in an alarm. Before the engines reached the scene, the entire rear portion of Hamscon's store and Dennett's big restaurant were ablaze. A second alarm was then sent in, and a few moments later, a general alarm was sounded. Immediately adjoining Hamscon Bros. on the west was the five-story building occupied by Blum Bros., manufacturers of ladies' cloaks. The flames spread with almost lightning rapidity, and Blum Bros.' building was soon a mass of flames. The water seemed almost to freeze before it touched the buildings, so bitter cold was the weather. The next building on the west to be eaten up by the raging fire, was that occupied by George Marshall, as a restaurant; then came the hat manufactory of George B. Wells, at 1323, and the rear of the wholesale grocery of Showell & Fryer, at 1325 Market street.

While the flames were sweeping west on Market street, the umbrella manufactory of Hirsch Bros., 1310 and 1312 Market, in the world, which adjoined Dennett's restaurant, caught fire. The inflammable nature of the immense stock of light silks added fuel to the seething flames, and in half an hour the beautiful eight-story building extending from 1309 to 1315 Market, was a mass of flames.

SPREAD OF THE FLAMES.

On the north side of Hirsch Bros.' factory, immediately across Silver street, stood the new seven-story building of Hirsch Bros., the only printing firm in the state with a capacity for printing the big blanket Australian ballots. This building extended from 1306 to 1310 Filbert street, and was 100 feet deep. The first floors were occupied by the Collins Carriage company. The flames swept through the big structure and gutted it completely. The small buildings on the street, which runs west from Thirteenth to Juniper, were all gutted. The shop of Contractor Lewis Havens caught fire from the rear of Blum Bros., and three firemen were caught by a falling wall, Frank Piper, of Engine Company No. 30, was the only man seriously injured.

Named as Receiver.

Special to the Globe. REDWOOD FALLS, Minn., Jan. 26.—N. V. R. Hunter was today appointed receiver of the Citizens' bank, of this city, vice the Great Northern Trust company, insolvent.

A Hard Winter.

Special to the Globe. YANKTON, S. D., Jan. 26.—John Winter, a well-to-do farmer living six miles north-west of this city, was found frozen stiff Sunday morning. The weather here is bitterly cold. For the past four days the thermometer has registered from 15 to 24 degrees below zero.

Small Blaze.

Special to the Globe. CHASKA, Minn., Jan. 26.—At an early hour fire broke out in the store of M. Melvin. By prompt fire department action the fire was put out without any great loss. Loss about \$50, covered by insurance.

MRS. SARAH F. DICK, CASHIER OF AN INDIANA NATIONAL BANK.

HUNTINGTON, Ind., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Sarah Francis Dick, of this city, is a shining example of what a woman can do in the way of business when she puts her mind in her work and is given the opportunity. Mrs. Dick is the cashier of the First National bank of this city. She is also a director in that institution and has demonstrated in every way her ability to fill with perfect satisfaction these important functions. When she became assistant cashier she was Miss Sarah McGrew, the daughter of the then cashier. She was in 1873. In 1881 the bank was reorganized and Miss McGrew became cashier. Her father was promoted to the presidency. Meanwhile, in 1878, she had been married to Julius Dick, one of the founders of the bank. Mrs. Dick is tall and pretty, and when not at business spends her time in her luxurious home.

TERESA IN TROUBLE.

MERRY ROW RAISED BY THE INVESTIGATION OF NORTH DAKOTA DIVORCES.

WARRANT FOR MISS DEAN.

WOMAN CORRESPONDENT CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL LIBEL BY A FARGO ATTORNEY.

W. H. MILLER IS THE COMPLAINANT.

Objects to Being Dished Up for the Amusement of the Readers of Sunday Supplements.

Special to the Globe. FARGO, N. D., Jan. 26.—There is liable to be some fun as the result of the advent in this city of Teresa Dean, newspaper correspondent, who is here for the purpose of writing up the divorce business, and on the side, rubbing some of the unscrupulous attorneys, who, she thinks, are too eager in efforts to get clients from the East, and generally too ambitious for the almighty dollar. She is representing the Chicago Times-Herald and New York World. Last Sunday articles appeared in both papers, and W. H. Miller, a well-known attorney in this city, was the subject discussed upon. She turned him over and browned him on every side, even bringing Mr. Miller's wife into play, stating she was used by Miller as a sort of reception committee to receive blankets and blankets from the East, and so that their stay in the city is made pleasant.

DAMAGE HEAVY.

Smoke penetrated almost every portion of the store, and the damage to delicate fabrics and carpets was very heavy. Had the flames licked up Wanamaker's nothing could possibly have prevented the destruction of the big buildings on Chestnut street, which is now closely built.

FIREMEN CRUSHED.

Seven Injured, Two Fatally, by a Falling Wall.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Seven firemen and two spectators were badly hurt at a fire which this evening destroyed Williams block at 200 and 202 Monroe street. The injured are: Frank Johnson, fireman, struck by falling wall, will probably die; Patrick Johnson, fireman, fell into the building when roof collapsed, badly crushed, may die; Patrick, fireman, struck by falling wall, leg broken; Redcroft, Jeremiah, fireman, both ankles broken by falling wall; Barber, James, captain Engine Company 23, badly burned about head and neck; Quinan, Sherman P., fireman, fell from building, badly injured; Harry, fireman, fell from building, leg badly wounded.

PACIFIC JUNCTION FIRE.

Twenty Buildings Consumed Before It Burned Itself Out.

OMAHA, Jan. 26.—Shortly before 2 o'clock this morning, Pacific Junction, four miles east of the river on the Iowa side, was visited by a fire and the whole business portion of the city was wiped out. Pacific Junction is a small railroad town of between 600 and 800 inhabitants, and is located at the junction of the main Burlington line running up the east side of the river. The Burlington has a large depot, valued at \$5,000 and a round house of ten stalls located in the town. At last accounts the property of the company had not been injured.

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SPANIARDS AMBUSHED.

Heavy Loss Inflicted on Them by the Insurgents.

KEY WEST, Jan. 26.—News from Havana today reports a hot battle was waged at Las Mangas, Pinar del Rio, province, on Thursday, between one of Col. San Martin's detachments and two troops of insurgents commanded by Delgado. The place has a Spanish garrison of 200 men. Delgado marched to attack it, and word was sent by Spaniards to San Martin for aid. The insurgents prepared a reception for San Martin's band. On the way the column had to cross a deep creek through a narrow defile. The Cubans undermined the bridge and hid on the roadside beside the thick brush. As the Spaniards came upon the bridge it went down and precipitated thirty men into the water. The regular formations were broken in the attempt to rescue the soldiers in the water. Here the Cubans poured in a destructive fire, and then shouting "Cuba Libre," charged fiercely upon them with machetes. The Spaniards could not retreat and the fight was a hot and bloody one. Maj. Andros, the Spanish officer, and the Cubans, fearing they were captured the flag and then the Spaniards fled. The troops at Las Mangas, hearing the firing, made a demonstration, and the Cubans, fearing they were caught between two fires, retreated, carrying off their dead and wounded. The Spanish loss is reported at over 100, while the Cubans did not lose over fifteen men.

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BULLET IN HER BODY.

SENSATIONAL SHOOTING IN THE APARTMENTS OF ROBERT PRENDERGAST.

HIS WIFE WAS THE VICTIM.

GLEAM OF A SERIES OF UNPLEASANT DOMESTIC HAPPENINGS.

TWO WERE ALONE AT THE TIME.

Mrs. Prendergast Relieves Her Husband of Suspicion by Declaring She Did It.

Deserted by her husband and left without friends or money, Mrs. Robert Prendergast, a daughter-in-law of M. R. Prendergast, of 408 Ashland avenue, fatally shot herself in the left breast with a 32-calibre Colt's revolver at her apartments in a block at No. 220 West Seventh street, yesterday afternoon, Robert Prendergast, the woman's husband was in the room with her at the time of the shooting and Dr. Brimhall was immediately summoned to her aid, but could render no assistance on account of the dangerous nature of the wound, and ordered her taken to the city hospital, where it was reported at an early hour this morning she would not likely live until daylight.

The shooting took place at about 3 o'clock, when Mrs. L. Sanders, who lets apartments in the block, heard a smothered pistol shot from the direction of the rooms occupied by the Prendergasts' and, in company with her daughter, Miss Vesta Sanders, rushed to the apartments. The door was locked but a frightened demand for entrance met with a drawing of the lock and a partial opening of the door. Lying on the floor in such a position as to prevent the door from fully opening, was the form of Mrs. Prendergast, covered with blood from a wound in the left side just over the heart from which trickled a crimson stream. Bending over the prostrate woman was the figure of her husband, who cried in frenzied tones, "My God, Emma! Will you ever forgive me?"

"I forgive you, Robert, but it is all your fault," replied the conscious woman, while the husband brushed the blood from his wife's dress with his bare hand.

These words both Mrs. Sanders and her daughter say they heard as they stood almost paralyzed on the threshold, which they could not enter on account of Mrs. Prendergast's body having fallen against the door. Recovering from their horror Mrs. Sanders ran down stairs and dispatched Officer Zacher for a physician, while Miss Sanders pushed her way into the room and endeavored to relieve Mrs. Prendergast by removing the upper portion of her clothing. Just above the heart was an ugly bullet wound from which the blood flowed freely. Neither Mr. Prendergast nor his wife had anything further to say regarding the shooting, and when the patrol from the central station arrived, the husband accompanied his wife to the city hospital.

Soon after the shooting Detective Campbell visited the scene, and after learning that Prendergast was locked in the room with his wife and being apprised by Mrs. Sanders of the circumstances, he decided to make an investigation, and at once visited the apartments where the shooting occurred. Everything was in apparent order. There were no signs of a struggle, a sliding door, one of which is used for a bedroom and the other for a kitchen. The door was partly open and the inside paneling, with blood, as though some one had been leaning against it or attempting to open it, the revolver was on the floor of the room, showing that the shot had evidently been fired from the room. The wounded woman had staggered to the sliding door in an effort to reach the outer room, falling just as she did in front of the door opening into the hallway.

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CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—The large grain elevator of the W. H. Purcell Malting company, at 123rd street, was destroyed by fire today. The flames originated in the south portion of the structure. Before the fire department arrived, the whole structure was enveloped in flames. The firemen were handicapped by the scarcity of fire plugs and by the intense cold. The elevator was recently rebuilt, two former structures having been heavily damaged by fire. This, however, is the first time the building was completely destroyed. Vice President Joseph Gulkenheimer estimated the loss at about \$350,000.

BULLET IN HER BODY.

SENSATIONAL SHOOTING IN THE APARTMENTS OF ROBERT PRENDERGAST.

HIS WIFE WAS THE VICTIM.