

even greater than it was. The southern corner of the lot, at Juvenal and Medical streets, was occupied by a small frame stable, two stories in height, which was crushed in and almost covered by the debris. The corner at the junction of Sansom and Juvenal streets is the site of two or three small frame tenements, one of them used as a fager-beer saloon. These att excaped material injury.

THE EXPLOSION OF THE BOILEE.

In the open space between the two buildines, and adjacent to the north wall of the main building, was the boller house, a sort of base-ment, in which were located two bollers for furnishing the establishment with steam. About half-past 4 o'clock the engine was

stopped, to give an opportunity to repair the cylinder, the packing of which was out of order. A boy was despatched to the machine shop of Mr. William H. King, on Sansom street, nearly opposite, for some mechanics, who were re-quested to assist the engineer, Mr. Thomas P. Jenkins, in making the repairs. When these were completed it was found that there was not more than a pound of steam on, and as it was not desirable to permit the steam to get any lower, an attempt was made to revive it, which, at half-past 5 o'clock, resulted in a terride explosion, one of the boilers being fractured from end to end.

This morning, at half-past 9, one of our reporters visited the Pennsylvania Hospital, and through the courtesy of Dr. Hare, the physician in attendance, was permitted to have an interwith Mr. Jenkins, the engineer, who made the following statement concerning the disnster:--

THE ENGINEER'S STATEMENT.

"About twenty minutes to 4 o'clock the packing wings of the cylinder got loose, and we stopped the engine immediately. I sent over to Mr. King's for a man to help me fix them, as we were in a hurry, and wanted to start again as soon as possible. While doing this we shut off the steam from the engine. When we were through we were ready to start up, nearly nearly through we were ready to start up, although we did not want to start up that night, but wanted to raise ten or fifteen pounds of steam, to see if the engine would work right, and to make sure for next morning, so as not to delay the hands any more. The man who was running the planing-machine asked me if it wouldn't be better to throw in a few shavings. I told him it would be best to start a few pounds of steam. He then asked me if he couldn't throw in some coal. I told him no, that it wasn't necessary, and that the shavings would raise as much steam as we wanted. Shortly after he came into the engine-room and informed me that she had only one pound of steam on as yet. I thought it somewha, strange that she did not have more; so I went to look. I thought he was mistaken. But on going to the steam guage I found that it was true. There went to work to stuff the packingbox. I was about doing it when she blew up. It was near 6 o'clock, I should judge, at the time

This statement was made at interval-, the nariator suffering so greatly that he was fre-quently forced to panse. At the close he was quite exhausted. But we are happy to state that his general condition is much improved.

THE BPPECTS OF THE EXPLOSION

were disastrous in the extreme. The report sounded like the discharge of a whole battery of artillery, alarming and starting every one in the neighborhood, and starting every one in the neighborhood, and auduble at the distance of many squares from the scene of the disaster. So great was the concussion that all the sur-rounding buildings were shaken to their foundations. Men who, were standing on the payement of Chesunt street, the pavement of Chesnut street, were fairly lifted from their feet; others who were scaled in their stores and offices were were scaled in total scarcely a pane of giase in the windows of the neighboring buildings remained whole. A dense mass of smoke, diled with fragments of massary, framework and machinery, was lifted high into the sir, and

tering the timbers of the roof. It then descended to the opposite side of Tenth street, and com-plately densolished the large balk window of pletely Mr. G George Williams' flower emporium, at No. 41.

A brick was also thrown through the roof of the Franklin Market building, now occupied by Messrs. French, Richards & Co. as a drug and paint warehouse, slightly injuring the book-keeper, as he lood at his desk. Fragments of the material and contents of the building were likewise carried as far north as Market street, but as far as we can learn, no one except those already mentioned were injused by any of them.

THE BUINS

this morning present a shocking appearance. The south, west, and north walls of the main building are entirely demolished, Medical street, the lumber yard, and the recess towards som street being completely filled with the debris. The eastern wall, however, still remains standing, but the upper portion is badly fractured. Attached to this wall, at the northern extremity, is the chimney of the ruined estab-lishment. It is about three feet and a half square, and projects far above any of the surrounding walldings. The western foun-dations of this chimney were entirely forn out, owing to their proximity to the baller which exploded. The mass of bricks is therefore supported only by the wall to which it adheres, and already it begins to lean to wards the west. The Building Inspectors have been notified of its condition, and it is to be hoped that they will attend to its demolition before it falls and bruises a dozen more unfortunate men in the ruins.

Down into the midst of all this wreck fell the roof and floors of the building, and the heavy machinery which the building contained, where they now lay in a chaotic mass. On the floor occupied by Messrs, Miller, Reader & Co. was a forge, used in the prosecution of their business. This also fell into the centre of the crumbling mass, and speedily set fire to the fragmente, which added greatly to the horror of the scene, and caused the death, by burning, of several of the workmen who were buried beneath the mine. The alarm was sounded at once, however, and by eight o'clock the fire was almost extinguished.

RESCUING THE LIVING AND REMOVING THE DEAD.

The report of the explosion was so loud that a The report of the explosion was so four that a large force of poincemen and a crowd of eager civillans was on the spot in a few minutes. The machine shop of Mr. William H. King being nearly opposite, on Sanson street, he and his son were among the first on the ground, and by dut of great everling, and by dut he reserved dint of great exertion aided in the rescue o three area from the ruins, the younger Mr. King having his arm badly burned during the struggle.

The body of one dead person, and several who were severely injure i, but still alive, were taken from the ruins while the fire was still raging. from the ruins while the fire was still raging. As soon as it was extinguished, the firemen, police, and others went to work diligently to remove the loo e portion of the *debris*, in the search for the unfortunate employes. This task was extremely difficult, and the scenes pre-sented by the corpses and their surroundings, when they were revealed, was terrible and almost sickeniug. When one of the men, James Todd by name, was pulled out at one of the windows, another man, who had escaped bodily injury, was seen in the midst of a mass of wrecked material. He besought carnestly for assistance, but the fire was still raging, and in tull sight of hundreds of his fellow-men, unable to come to his rescue, he fell a victim to the to come to his rescue, he fell a victim to the

The condition of the chimney was so threat ening, however, that it was at length discon-tinned until the dangerous mass could be removed. This was accomplished a few minutes before 2 o'clock this afternoon. Two dremen ascended to the top of the wall by the aid of Tadders. Ropes were thrown down on either side by them, and spliced by those below.

The non-e was then formed at one end, and a loop drawn tight around the chimper. When scattered over the vicinity. The roof of the St. Lawrence hotel, which fronts on Chesnut street, and extends back to

Several persons were injured more or less while putting out the fire and rescuing the Among others was a young man by the bodies. name of Fife, residing in Wyoming street, who was run over by the book and ladder trick of the Weccacoe Engine Company, in consequence of a collision with the Southwark Engine ap-

paratus. Alexander Bernard, of the Perseverance Hose Company, was severely injured by a falling of part of the rubbish walle he was assisting in recovering the bodies of the victims of the fire. William Meyers, of the Washington Hose Company, received pretty severe lajuries by a talling wall.

Bernard Kelly, of the Columbia Engine Com-pany, badly burt by a part of the wall falling. David Bell, a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Geasey & Ward, had one of his ankles sprained.

THE DEAD

thus far recovered are as follows:-

Harry Meally, aged 35, and married, residing in West Philadelphia. Both his arms were burned, and he died from suffocation.

Mr. Drear, residing at Fourth and Coates streets, both bands and one leg off. Dietrich Endress; residence, Mark's lane.

Jacob Hyleman, wedged in between the joist. He was a married man; residence, Charlotte

Henry Haddock, aged 40 years; married; residence, Eighteenth and Callowhill, This unfortunate man had commenced work only yesterday morning. James O'Donnell, a cabinet-maker, identified

by a patch recently put upon his pantaloons. George Dilks, residing at Second and Union

streets. He was an engraver, and was found in the centre of the building, near the boiler.

Alexander Clawson, residing in West Philadelphia. George W. Clark, who had suffered a fracture

of the collar bone, and also of the scull, was taken to the hospital, but died about 2 o'clock this morning.

August Lang, aged forty years, resided at No. 848 North Third street; leaves a wife and two Body burnt to a crisp; recognized. children. Philip Lareger, aged twenty-one years, re-siding on Ridge avenue, below Fifteenth street-Several bodies which have not yet been iden-tified, have also been rescued, among them the following:-

A trunk, without head, both legs off. A body, with scalded legs and side, supposed to be that of Gottleib Schwerzer; married; residence, No, 732 Passyunk road.

Body-no arms-bandage around the head and under the chin. Body of large man, a German; check shirk;

Most of these were recovered during the

night, but three of them were taken out this morning.

The bodies, as fast as they were recovered. were taken to Mr. King's establishment, where a distressing scene occurred during the recogni-tion of several of them by their relatives and friends.

THE MISSING

Samuel Dargen, brother-in-law of the above. living at No. 1508 Thompson street. He has a wife and four children.

William Crouot, a turner, living on Cowley street, between Race and Vine, William Akaw, a plainer, living in Dartmore

William Akasf, a plainer, living in Dartmore street, above Thirteenth. H. Wolfrouw, a German Cabinet-maker. James Hamilton, aged 50, resides at Frauk-ford, and has a family. Frank Dubois, aged 15 years, resides in the vicinity of Reed street wharf. Mr. Thomas Miller, residing at No. 2058 Ridge avenue, one of the firm of Miller, Reeder & Co. Mr. George W. Geasey, living at No. 1725 Coates street, one of the firm of Gensey & Ward. There are various accounts as to the disap-Coates street, one of the firm of Gensey & Ward. There are various accounts as to the disap-pearance of Mr. Gensey. A few mtnutes before the explosion both be and Mr. Ward were stand-ing directly over the boiler. Mr. Ward then weat to the office, escaping injury, while Mr.

With there an appearance of the impress upon the used. The undersigned endeavored to impress upon the Revenue Inspector the difficulties that might attend over zeal in the performance of his daties, and in-sisted there was not the sightest justification for the seizure, and that the watchman ought to be with-drawn forthwith. The Revenue Inspector, feeling that he had overstepped his authority, and believing that exufficient grounds did not exist to result in a forfekture, consented to the withdrawal of the watchman. watchman

The undersigned then informed the parties in in-The undersigned then informed the parties in in-terest of the result. He had no other conversation with the Revenue Inspector in reation to the matter, other than that in the presence of Mr. Kelly, and was of course, surprised at the institution of legal proceedings a alast him. In the absence of any alle-gation that the United States was defrauded in any manner, and in presence of the fact that it was in the pursuit of his ordi-nary, legitimate business, he consented to be employed in the case, he was entirely at a loss to account for the subsequent legal proceedings, and the mary, legitimate Dusiness, he consented to be employed in the case, he was ontirely at a loss to account for the subsequent legal proceedings, and the matter is still inexplicable to him, except upon the hypothesis that the real endeavor is to secure the re-moval of an active and expert revenue officer, and that it is necessary to make it appear that he was in in direct collusion with taxpayers for the purpose of blackening his official character. Itahonid also be stated that the Revenue Inspector, previous to the visit of the undersigned, had con-solied with the Collector of the District as to his power to hold premises where there was no evi-dence of actual distillation. The Collectors opision, as it afterwards appeared, coincided with the argu-ment used before the Revenue Inspector. It is the practice of the undersigned, in the pursuit of his business, to call upon whatever officer may have jurisdiction in any particular case, and, as the Revence Inspector was the only officer who had taken any action in he mature, be of course attended to it in the only manuer that was either necessary or possible. Int²

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