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DESTRUCTION!

"Behold! What a Great Matter a Little Fire Kindleth."

The Great Configuration of Last Night-Its Origin, Extent, and the Losses Incurred.

25,000 Barrels of Whisky Consumed-Total Rum of Col. Patterson's Bonded Warehouse.

A List of the Insurances, Aggregating About \$2,400,000.

The Entire Loss About \$3,500,000.

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

The most destructive fire within the limits of Philadelphia since the great configration of 1850 that destroyed 365 buildings, raged last night, not a stone's throw from the Delaware front, close by our heaviest shipping ware-houses; and before the flames could be subdued the large bonded warehouse known as the Patterson Stores, containing many thousand barrels of whisky, was a mere shell of tottering walls. THE WAREHOUSE,

In the year 1854, Mr. John Allen, a famous builder, was called upon to creet a series of stores for Colonel William C. Patterson, who is probably one of the most astute business men in the community. Every care was taken in the details, and the buildings were pronounced to be and were always referred to as the fire proof stores. The buildings were nine in number, sixated on the east side of Front street, extending east to Penn street, and having also a front on Lombard street, from Front to Penn. They were designated by letters from A to H. They extended along Front to Lombard street 300 feet, and along the latter 150 feet. They were of brick, with iron columns on the first story. They were five stories high on Front and six on Penn street, the grade descending from the former street. The walls of the buildings were eighteen inches in thickness throughout, and each build-ing was distinct from the other to a great extent. The partition walls were solid from the cellar foundation upwards, and the connections were by arched doors; but each one of them had solid iron doors, always closed. Every window was protected by iron window-shutters, and these were invariably closed at night. The building on the northeast corner of Front and Lombard streets was used on the lower floor as a business office for Colonel Patterson, and it contained the boilers of the establishment, while the upper stories were also stored with whisky. In former days these stores were used principally for the storage of sugar, mo-lasses, and cotton; but since the close of the war vast amounts of whisky have been placed in them by the United States Government and number of individual firms. The number of barrels of whisky kept in bond in this warehouse is variously estimated at from twenty to forty thousand barrels, seven thousand barrels being taken in yesterday in bond.

On Lombard street, twenty feet east of Front street, the boilers were located. The machinery used in the building consisted of powerful clevators to hoist and lower goods; consequently the boilers were of much power. They were located beneath the payement, or, rather, in the vault. The fire-room connected with the offices by steps. At the time of the going into effect of the late revenue law, requiring all liquors to be guaged by a certain time in June last, there was \$5,000,000 worth of liquors in the stores. Some of this had of course been withdrawn, but addilons have also been made from time to time, and it is safe to estimate the value of the liquors in the stores last evening at that amount at

The singular incidents attending the breaking out of the conflagration were first noticed shortly before 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening. At that time, Mr. Underdown, Mr. Haas, and several other residents in that immediate vicinity were startled by a loud, rumbling noise, like the clamor of many heavy teams over the cobble-stones, coming from the whisky warehouse. This building had been closed, as usual, at 5 P. M., left in charge of the fireman and engineer, and all work suspended. These gentle-men, attracted by the sight of passers-by running in all directions, hastened to Lombard They arrived in time to see the gable street. They arrived in time to see the gable end of the Lombard street front, extending from Front to Penn, with one mighty surge crumble into fragments and topple over into the street. Almost in a moment the upper three stories were a shapeless mass of bricks and mortar. As this wall fell many barrels of whisky, piled up in these upper floors, descended with heavy thuds, striking against the outhang-ing joists, while streams of the liquor flowed from the bung-holes upon and into the debris. Quiet had scarcely been restored ere a terrible report was heard from the dismantled building ollowed instantly by a bodily upheaval of the lower stories yet standing; and scarce had the gigantic power torn out the foundations, ere the force of gravity brought the many tons of material to the highway, blocking up Lombard street for two hundred feet with a ruinous mass No. 425 South Front street, was thus totally de-stroyed in less time than the pen can describe be thrilling horror of the scene.

BURSTING OUT OF THE FLAMES A few moments prior to this last explosion bright flash was seen among the debris; and as hundreds of barrels of whisky now falling burst out and showered streams all around, curling flames of dark blue and deep purple were seen in a hundred spots. The volatile vapor of the exposed whisky acted as myriad of torches, and ere the alarm reached the Central Police Station at two minutes before 7 o'clock, this whole compartment was a mass of flames. All the available force of the Second Fire District was speedily on the spot, and steam fought fire with passionate ardor. For ninety minutes it seemed as if the flames could be throttled and extinguished, but then the flery element gained the control.

THE SECOND COMPARTMENT. At 8:30 the intense heat caused by the burning of the rubbish and contents of what was the corner store so heated the centre walls of the second store that it took fire. Water was thrown upon the second store and streams continued to poured upon the debris of the corner store, and for a time it seemed that the efforts to subdue the flames were successful. were soon blasted, however, for the fire broke out in all portions of the building. Soon a portion of the wall on Lombard street, triangular in

shape, fell. Next the rear wall on Penn street fell. It was deemed prudent to effect an en-trance into some of the stores north of the second store, and the doors on Front street were opened. Just at the time of the fall of the wall

on Penn street a quantity of burning whisky streamed out of the second and third stores. It ran down the gutter to Pine street and around to Penn street. The blue flame, or rather a combination of colored flames, sped along, and sent a thrill of horror among the people present. The coal oil conflagration at Ninth and Wash-ington streets was recollected, and hundreds of persons fled, fearing a repetition of a burning archway over the street. Great fears were entertained for fear all the hose would be burned, and the firemen hastened to remove it from the burning stream. They were partially successful,

but a quantity of it was burned.

Miniature explosion followed upon explosion
as the heated whisky burst aside the barrel staves, and added inextinguishable fuel to the flames. The flaming liquor ran down the gut-ters into the two culverts at Front and Lombard treets, and as the volatile vapors met the dense, impure air of these sewers, other explosions were heard, and bursts of flame came out through the man-holes.

THE PIRE INSURANCE PATROL.

rendered good service, and amply vindicated the necessity of their organization, although, owing to the peculiar nature of the combustibles, they were not able to carry out all their special dutie Many of the iron-shutters fastened at the closing hour had been forced open by the explosions, and others had been soon broken into by the firemen that their hose-streams might have easy play. As far as possible these were closed by the patrol on Penn street, that the flames might not spread to the opposite warehouse, on the cast side, occupied by Dennison, Kelly & Co. The force attended specially to saving the wooden roofs of the adjoining buildings by cov-erings, the free use of buckets, and streams of

MISHADS OF THE WHISTY

After it became evident that the second building was doomed, the patrol cudeavored to save some of the stock, and, despite the danger encountered from the overhanging walls and the rushing streams, all ablaze, they succeeded in saving several hundred barrels in good condi-tion. These barrels were rolled indiscriminately around through the adjoining thoroughfares, and, in the excitement of the terrible scene, some were stolen. The neighborhood is thickly lined with wharf groggeries, and, in several instances, barrels yet dripping with water were found in their cellars—"Only stored for safe keeping!" as he landlords had it.

In the early part of the night, some of the spectators say, quite a number of the aremen who were engaged in rolling out barrels of whisky would occasionally knock out a bung, and fill their hats full of the liquor. Licutenants Errickson and Hagerty, wherever they found this prank in play, supplemented it by jocosely apsetting the contents into the street.

THE GENERAL ALARM.

At a quarter after 9 o'clock a portion of the wall which had divided the two southern stores fell with a frightful crash, and barrel upon barrel of whisky which had been piled up in the second structure came rolling out on the plle of ruins, and several of them in their passage exploded, but doing no damage. From this compartment the fire extended to the upper part of its neighbor, and so along until the whole eight were in flames. As each of the compartments caught, there would be explosion after explosion of barrels, and the burning liquid would pour into the lower floors and from them into the street, and down the gutters to Pine street and into the sewers. So rapid did it flow at one time that the sewer got so full of gas that another explosion took place, causing a stampede among the thousands of spectators congregated in its immediate vicinity. About 9:30 the general alarm was sounded, and the whole fire department of the county was called into service. The Mayor's order had scarcely reached the station ere a message was received from Chief Engineer Downey to the same effect—the delay of the latter arising from his view that a great conflagration was an incentive to incendiary acts, and he did not wish the outside districts to be deserted. About 10 clock the suburban companies began to arrive: first those from West Philadelphia, then those from Germantown, next Frankford, next Mana-The light of the fire was seen as far north as Bristol, and westward was plainly dis-cernible at Paoli. The unusual clanging of the State House bell had the effect of drawing many of our citizens from their homes, and soon every street and by-way was thronged with an unceasing tide of humanity.

THE AWE-INSPIRING SCENE.

As the fire progressed the walls fell one after another, and the hope that it would be stayed proved groundless. The sea of flame lighted up he whole heavens, and drew crowds of tens of thousands to witness the frightful scene. roaring of the flames, the puffing of the fire engines, the perflous feats of the firemen, and the anxious watching of the crowd, together with dread that had struck all who resided near the scene, made a picture that it is impossible to describe. It was indeed a seene of surpassing grandeur. The flames shot up seemingly a indred feet in the compartments yet standing, and the blaze and heat were overpowering to those compelled to be near by.

Dense volumes of smoke of a yellowish-greenish hie covered the neighborhood, and as the streams of water broke their opacity, cone-like spectrums were shown, bright with all the colors the rainbow. The flames varied in color, deep blues and purples predominating. Those whose fortune or misfortune, it was to gaze upon the sight, will never forget the awfulness of the spectacle. They have the sound consolation, however, that the strange-colored flames were less harmless there than in burning up the stomachs of those who worship the demon of

The immense light attracted persons from all the city surrounding. The city passenger railway lines reaped a fine harvest in carrying passengers from all directions to the scene. The streets leading north and south, east and west, were erowded until a late hour, by persons of both sexes, old and young. A noticable fact was the shyness on the part of the lookers-on to approach near the burning structure; the various explosions thoroughly frightened even the most venturesome, and as the flames would from time to time increase in height the vast mass would sway to and fro, in fear of danger from flying

Connecting with the warehouse on the north are two fine houses, now vacant and undergoing repairs. Adjoining these on the north are two dwellings, and on the corner of Front and Pine streets is a tavern. Along Pine and down Penn to the stores on the latter street are taverns, sailor boarding-houses, and houses occupied by a score or so of poor families,

As soon as it was feared that the lower house would be consumed, the occupants commenced removing their goods, furniture, etc., as fast as

Some of the residents on the west side of Front street, below Pine, soon became alarmed, and also commenced moving their valuables to places of safety. Shortly before 12 o'clock the Seamen's Home, situated on Front street, above Lombard, took fire, but streams were quickly brought to bear on the roof and the flames were

By 11 o'clock the fire had done its worst— the division walls and a large portion of the Front and Penn streets walls were lying in the

Marshall's bonded warehouse on the northeast orner of Penn and Lombard streets was on fire, but it was extinguished, with a pretty-heavy loss by water. The insurance patrol paid par-

ticular attention to the properties adjoining, but

fortunately their services were not required, ex- | street, had 50 barrels in the place. Not insured.

cept in one or two instances.

Shortly after midnight the battlement wall separating dwelling No. 409 and the northern compartment of the warehouse fell into the ruins, and instantly the roof of No. 409 was in a blaze. From this it communicated to No. 407, which was unoccupied, and to Nos. 405, 403, and 401. No. 401, which is at the corner of Front and Pine streets, was occupied as a grocery store by F. Gilrov.

The heat was so intense, and the air so full of flying embers from the falling walls, that the properties on the east side of Front street were on fire several times, but the firemen have managed to save them thus far. A heavy westerly wind sprung up and blew the flames to the eastward. Wall after wall fell, and the burning embers filled the air for squares around. On the surrounding houses could be seen dozens of men throwing pails of water aver the heated

By I o'clock the flames communicated to the row of dwellings adjoining the warehouse, extending to Pine street, and there appeared to be little probability of their being saved. The row consisted of three double dwellings, used as tenements. The occupants deserted them half an hour before. The saloon located at the corner of Pine and Penn streets was also very

badly damaged.
The flour and feed store of Messrs, Conalett, No. 328 Penn street, was fired by sparks from the burning buildings. The firemen, in their efforts to save it, completely saturated it with water, rendering the stock entirely worthless,

The cooper shop of William Thompson, a Fourth and Pine streets, and the large brick building at the southwest corner of Delaware avenue and Sprace street, used as a rigging loft by Mr. Izuards, the Spruce street portion as the Jersey Hotel," and the Penn street corner as a liquor store, were in serious danger from the hundreds of splinters of burning wood blown through the air.

About 1 o'clock, while the fire was still raging heavy thunder storm added to the terror of the scene. The flashes of lightning, the heavy peals of thunder, the fall of rain, the immens dame of fire, and the vast extent of the prostrate rains, with the confusion of the multitudes, attempting suddenly to leave the ground, and the engines, made a scene the equal of which is rarely witnessed. The wall of the warehouse building now fell in with a great crash, and the whole of the Front street portion of the building, except section A, near Pine street, was level with the ground. Fortunately no persons were injured by the falling walls. There were several general alarms given throughout the night, and the Camden fire department responded.

The State House bell was rung at different times, and called to the scene all of the avail-

ble policemen. The patrolmen had their ropes stretched across the streets at all proper places and thoroughfares, and prevented interference with the firemen and prohibited the citizens from venturing in places of danger.

THE FIREMEN AND THE MAYOR worked nobly, and by their exertions no property was totally destroyed except the ware-house building. They exposed their lives even recklessly, and worked nobly. This morning the walls yet left standing were torn down by them, and as the huge masses of brick fell into the debris, the flames yet burning flashed out brighter. Mayor Fox was on the ground at an early hour, watched carefully its progress, gave orders to the department, and instituted, aided by Chief Mulholland, a better enforcement of the regulations for elearing the neighboring streets than has been enforced for some years

THE THEORY OF THE PIRE. The theories of those competent to judge are

omewhat conflicting.
While one party insist that the boiler exploded, ere are others who contend it did not, but that the whisky exploded. It cannot be told until the boiler is reached whether it was the cause of the terrible occurrence or not.

If the whisky caused the explosion, we can only account for it on the supposition that the wilding settled by the heavy dead weight upon t, thereby starting some of the casks to leaking. If this liquid dripped until it reached the fire-room, and ignited, a flame shooting upwards would perhaps have thrown the first portion of the wall out. The fire spreading up into the gases generated by the liquid, and permeating every portion of the closely-shut place, might have caused the grand explosion which tumbled the building to the ground.

This seems probable when we consider the fact, as we understand it, that there was practised in the warehouse a system of bringing whisky to that perfection heretofore supposed only to be obtained by age. By this system it was rendered absolutely necessary that the burgs should be out. If such were done, it can readily be imagined how so dreadful a catastrophe could

The casualties reached to the neighborhood of about twenty, most of whom we were unable to obtain, from the fact that the injured men were mostly taken to their residences.

Jacob Andrews, residing on Penn street, below Lombard, was struck on the head by a brick and severely injured. Taken to the Pennsyl-Daniel Hagerty, a police officer, residing at

enn and South streets, had his face and head padly burned. Taken home. Michael McNulty, a drayman, while driving along Front street, was struck on the head with brick. Taken to the hospital.

William Gilles, residing at No. 512 Penn street. and both arms broken. Thomas Proctor, colored, aged twenty-two. iding at Tenth and Rodman streets, badly calded. Is at the hospital. Albert Brest, of the Hope Engine, fell off the

adder and had his head severely injured. James McCreed, aged eight years, residing No. 1712 Ployer street, run over by a steamer. Isaac Underdown, oil clothing manufacturer. was cut in the face by a flying brick, and badly

Thomas Maguire, the shipping master, was thrown down by the force of the explosion, inuring him badly. Shortly before one o'clock a ladder placed

against a building on Penn street, adjoining the warehouse, fell, and severely lajured Edward Alburger, a member of the Empire Hook and Ladder Company. The injured man was removed to his home in Emmett street.

THE INDIVIDUAL LOSSES. H. S. Hannis & Co., of Nos. 218 and 220 South Front street, the heaviest losers, had 8000 barrels of whisky in the place. Its value was over \$1,000,000. Fully insured. 81,000,000.

Henry Wallace & Co., of No. 226 South Front street, had over 1000 barrels in the place. Its alue was over \$100,000. Fully insured. Barney Corr, at Beach and Brown streets, had 900 barrels in the place. Insured for \$97,000fully covering his loss.

George Richle had 800 barrels in the place. Partially insured. R. C. Ridgway, of No. 218 South Front street, had 5000 barrels in the place. Fully insured. Joseph F. Tobias & Co., of No. 206 South Front street, had 438 barrels in the place, valued at #50,000. Fully insured.

Carstairs & McCall, of No. 126 Walnut street, had 250 barrels in the place. Insured for #26,000 not fully covering the loss. J. D. & M. Williams, of Boston, had 700 barrels in the place. Fully insured in Boston com-

H. & H. W. Catherwood, of No. 114 S. Front street, had 2100 barrels in the place. Fully in-George Whitely, of No. 107 Walnut street, had 200 barrels in the place, worth \$150 a barrel.

Thomas Dillon, of No. 340 South Fourth street, had 200 barrels in the place. Insured. Ware & Schmitz, of Nos. 3 and 5 Granite

Loss, \$2000. Henry Bohlen & Co., of No. 221 South Fourth

street, had 1500 barrels in the place. Fully William Brice & Co., Water street, between Walnut and Chesnut, had a heavy stock in the place. Fully insured.
H. & A. C. Van Beil, of No. 1310 Chesnut street, had 250 barrels in the place. Insured for

about \$30,000. A. G. Catherwood, of Nos. 110 and 112 N. Second street, had an insurance of \$10,000 on his stock in the place.
S. Walley & Co., of No. 1114 Market street, had an insurance of \$5000 on their stock in the

Woodside & Stadiger, of No. 407 Arch street, had an insurance of \$5000 on their stock in the Casper Heft of No. 255 North Third street, had an insurance of \$5000 on his stock in the place. John Gibson's Sons & Co. send the following

To the Editor of The Evening Telegraph.

We beg leave to state that we had no goods stored in Patterson's warehouses, destroyed by fire last night.

Very truly,

JOHN GIBSON'S SONS & Co. PHILADELPHIA, 4th Aug., 1859.

The following is a general summary of the insurances upon the property in the destroyed building, with the names of the agencies through which they were effected:—

By the agency of Sabine & Allen, northeast corner of Fi/th and Walnut streets:— Merchant's Prov. Wash...

nut street .-Tradesmen's 15,000 Firemen's 15,000

107 South Third street, in the Imperial of Lon-H. S. Hannis & Co..... R, C. Ridgway 87,000 H. Wallace & Co. 37,500 H. Wallace & Co.
Joseph F. Toblas & Co.
H. & H. W. Catherwood
H. & H. C. Van Beil
A. J. Catherwood.
S. Whalley & Co. 20,000 12,000 S. Whalley & Co... Woodside & Stadiger Casper Heft.....

the agency of Kingsland & Hawley, No. 411 Walnut street:-
 Citizens'
 #20,000

 Commerce, Albany
 19,000

 Merchants', Chicago
 15,000

 Classifier
 15,000
 Cleveland 15,000 Hide and Leather 22,500 Capital City..... 5,000 Lenox...... 5,000 Total.....\$101,500

By the agency of Thomas G. Lancaster, northwest corner of Fourth and Walnut:— Fulton 10,000 Relief 15,000 Relief Excelsior

Mercantile..... 9,000 Western.... 5,000 Buffalo F, and M,.... 11.000Total \$148,000
By the agency of Duy & Wood, southwest corner Third and Walnut streets: nited States, Baltimore, Buffalo City..... Glens Falls.... Hope.... 15,000 Ningara \$30,000

By the agency of John Wilson, Jr., & Bro. 121 South Fourth street:-North American \$25,000 Merchants'..... 31,000 Walnut street:—Pacific. \$40,000
Merchants' and Manufacturers 15,000
10,000

National..... 10,000 onthwest corner of Fourth and Chesnut streets:-Narragansett..... Total.......\$82,000 By the agency of William D. Sherrerd & Co., No. 222 Walnut street:-

North British...... 12,000 Home, N. H......\$20,000 Yonkers..... 31,000 Springfield...... 20,000

Fourth street:— \$5,009 Market, New York \$5,000 by the agency of Atwood Smith, Exchange

This gives a total insurance of \$2,280,000 on he stock destroyed. To Joseph Tillinghast, insurance agent, at the

Delaware Mutual....

sonthwest corner of Fourth and Chesnut streets, we are indebted for a list of insurances in which the following additional risks are given:—

To William D. Sherrerd & Co., No. 222 Wal-nut street, we are also indebted for a list of in-surances in which the following additional risks Norwich, Conn......\$10,000

Total.....\$30,000
This makes the grand total \$2,877,000.
The following are the insurances in the Royal
(Liverpool and London, as furnished by the gency of Geo. Wood:-. S. Hannis & Co.......863,000

Edward Carr.... Batty & Bold. II. & H. W. Catherwood.....
 George Whitely
 9,000

 H. Wallace & Co
 20,000

 J. F. Tobias & Co
 5,000

 Barney Carr
 2,500

of New York, \$5000; American, of Philadelphia, \$7000: Maryland, of Baltimore, \$5000; Norwich, \$5000: Buftalo City, \$25,000: Queen, \$10,000: Metropolitan, of New York, \$10,000; Atlantic, of Brooklyn, \$10,000; Providence, \$5000; Merchants, of Providence, \$5000: Fireman's Fund. f San Francisco, \$5000; Pennsylvania Fire, 35,000: Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, 20,000. Total, \$217,500, which will about cover

To the Insurance Agency of Sabine & Allen, N. E. corner of Fifth and Walnut streets, we are indebted for valuable assistance in making out the above list of insurances,

In the confusion which such a confisgration auses, it is impossible to give the exact definite oss of property occasioned; but from close nquiry and comparison of data, we are assured that the total loss will reach from three to four millions of dollars. The building, cost to erect \$500,000, is now

valued at about \$1,000,000, and is insured to about this latter amount in the Green Tree, Girard, Fire Association, and other companies

GOVERNMENTAL INTEREST.

Under the act of June 30, the Government tax levied on whisky in bond was required to be paid by the 1st of July. Cansequently the Trea-sury Department will suffer no loss by this conflagration, with the exception of 100 barrels which had been confiscated and deposited in this warehouse. These were not saved, the only lot escued being that of 300 barrels belonging to Mr. Hannis.

A PALSE RUMOR.

A rumor prevailed on the street this morning that the owners of the 25,000 barrels of whisky in bond in this warehouse, being unable to raise he money required to pay the revenue within the limit of time prescribed by law, had secured the advancement of several millions of dollars from a prominent Third street bankinghouse and hypothecated the whisky as security. We have ascertained that there is no truth in this rumor, and have the best authority for its contradiction.

SCANDALOUS PILEERING.

At No. 405 South Front street, the residence of Miss Wilson, a policeman discovered snugly ensconced a number of the members of the Shittler and Marion Hose Companies, equipped. They were scattered through all the rooms of the building and nobody else was about. The house was in a scandalous condition of disorder. Everything of any value had been stolen. Chests and drawers had been broken open and ransacked. Even the title-deeds to property owned by Miss Wilson had been overcolled torn in fragments, and scattered over the floors. The efficiency and good name of our fire department demand that the perpetrators of these wanton outrages should be summarily punished.

THE STATE OF THE PIRE NOW.

This morning the firemen have the fire completely under their control, although the tongues of flame are still to be seen playing here and there through the debris, and dense columns of smoke overhang the ruins that eighteen hours since constituted Patterson's bonded warehouse. The streets surrounding the building are kept clear of curious spectators, owing to the dan-gerous nature of the walls yet standing. Throughout the morning parties were at work with grappling hooks tearing down the toppling walls yet standing. Nearly all of the western on Front street is now level with ground. On Lombard street the entire wall was demolished early in the conflagration. On Penn street the east wall is almost entirely standing, endering that thoroughfare so dangerous as to be impassable. It is to be hoped that this will

DAMAGE TO SURROUNDING PROPERTY. The house of Miss Wilson, No. 405 South Front street, was deluged with water, ransacked and robbed by the firemen, but was not damaged The buildings next below, Nos, 407 and 409.

untenanted, but painting and repairing for occupaney, are owned by Mr. Smith. Their roofs were burnt off. The building southeast corner of Lombard and

Front streets was scorched in the rear. Urquhart occupies it, and it is owned by the Ridgway estate. The doctor's effects are damaged to the extent of \$1000, and the building to the ame amount; the latter is insured. The building southwest corner of Penn and

Lombard streets is occupied by the United States is a naval rendezvous, and is owned by the Ridgway estate. It was burned somewhat, and also deluged with water. The building is insured in the Green Tree and Girard Companies: out the insurance on the goods belonging to the United States had just expired. The loss on the building and the stock will be about \$2500.

The building on the southeast corner of Lombard and Penn streets was damaged by water and had its roof burned off. It belongs to the Ridgway estate, and is insured in the Green Tree and Girard companies.
The building No. 406 South Penn street b

ccupied by Joseph Treanor and was slightly The building No. 404 South Penn street was also damaged by water.
The building No. 402 South Penn street, the "Mexico House," was somewhat damaged by

The building No. 400 South Penn street is occupied by M. Gilroy, dealer in wines and iquors. It was slightly damaged by water.

ADDITIONAL CASUALTIES. Wm. Long, residing in the vicinity of the fire, had one of his arms broken. George Stewart, of the Lafayette Hose, residing on North Fourth street, was taken fromfone of the burning buildings in a state of suffoca-

tion. By the application of the proper reme-

-The late Isaac Toucey bequeathed \$20,000 to Trinity College of Hartford.

—Hiram Sibley, the First President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, returned from Europe in the Russia.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

The European Markets To-day-The Miners' Strike in New York.

FROM NEW ENGLAND.

The Mussachuseus Odd-Fellows. Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

Boston, Aug. 5.-George E. Sheckley, a wellknown builder, hung himself last night while laboring under temporary insanity. The following officers of the R. W. Grand Encampment of I. O. of O. F. of Massachusetts were elected yesterday:-Chief Patriarch, C. E. Perkins; Grand High Priest, Caleb Rand: Grand Senior Warden, James J. Wingate; Grand Scribe. Charles D. Cole; Grand Treasurer, Thomas C. Porter: Grand Junior Warlen, J. M. Price; Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, George H. Stickney. There are at present seventeen encampments in the State, with a membership of 2130.

The Maine Journalists.
PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 5.—Members of the Maine Editors' and Publishers' Convention have gone to the islands this morning with their families to discuss a clam-bake, and enjoy themselves generally.

FROM NEW YORK.

The Miners' Strike. ALBANY, Aug. 5.-It is reported from Port

Henry, Essex county, that the miners who turned out on a strike have been to all the small iron-ore beds and forced the men to stop work. They have unloaded teams in the road and ordered them home. All business is stopped in the town of Muriat except the Bay State Iron Company's furnaces. The Sheriff of the county is there with his deputies, prepared to call out a force large enough to keep the strikers away from the furnaces. About seven hundred miners are in town.

Affidies at Gettysburg.

GETTYSBURG, Aug. 5. - There have been many arrivals at the Gettysburg Springs, among them General Meredith, who leaves to-morrow, to return on the 23d, with Western Generals, to aid in the indication of the battle-field.

The Weather at the Sea-side. The following was the state of the weather at

the sea-side at 9 o'clock this morning:-Cape May, wind southeast, hazy, 65. Atlantic City, wind east, cloudy, 66.

FROM EUROPE.

This Morning's Quotations. By Atlantic Cable. By Atlantic Cable,
LONDON, August 5—A. M.—Consols for money,
2234, and for account, 2234, 2232; 5-208 quiet at 8345;
Eric, 1234; Illinois Central, 2134.
LIVERPOOL, August 5—A. M.—Cotton firm; uplands, 12346. Orleans, 186-13346. The sales to-day
will reach 12,000 bales. Bread-tuffs firmer. Refined
Petroleum, 18, 7d. Other articles unchanged.

This Afternoon's Quotations. London, August 5—P. M.—Consols for 2½; for account, 95, U. S. 5–20s quiet and s. 3½. Stocks steady; Illinois Central, 94½. Liverpool, August 5-P. M. Cotton unchanged. Lard quiet and steady. Pork firm, 1618. HAVRE, August 5 .- Cotton quiet and steady for

Philadelphia Trade Report.

THURSDAY, Aug. 5 .- The Flour market remains quiet, but prices are steady. The demand is mostly from the home consumers, who purchased 700 barrels including superfine at \$5.25@5.50, extras at \$5.75. Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota extra family at \$6-te@7-t0; Pennsylvania do. do. at \$6-25@7-25, Ohio do, do, at \$6.75@8-25, the latter rate for very choice, and fancy brands at \$8.50@10, according to quality. Rye Flour sells at \$6-12 1/06-25 7 bbl.

The Wheat market is quiet but steady. Sales o old red at \$1.45@1.53, the former rate for damp Pennold red at \$1.45\text{\t Western at 74@76c., and Pennsylvania and Southern new and old at 55@75c. Nothing doing in Barley or

Bark-In the absence of sales, we quote No. 1 Quercitron at \$40 @ ton.
Whisky—Raw may be quoted at \$1 15@1 20 @ gallon, tax paid. The market for fine Rye is very much un

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CLEARED THIS MORNING.
Steamship Brunette, Howe, New York, John F. Ohl.
Steamer A. C. Stimers, Knox, New York, W. P. Clyde & Co.
Schr E. W. Pratt, Rendrick, Boston, Goo, S. Repplier.
Schr Alabama. Vangilder, Salem,
Schr Mary J. Russell, Smith, East Cambridge,
do.
Tug Fairy Queen, Perkins, Havre-de-Grace, W. P. Clyde Tug Hudson, Nicholson, Baltimore, W. P. Clyde & Co.

ARRIVED THIS MORNING.

Steamer Bristol, Wallace, 24 hours from New York, with mise, to W. P. Clyde & Co.

Steamer R. Willing, Cundiff, 13 hours from Baltimore, with mise, to A. Groves, Jr.

Schr A. Corson, Townsend, 5 days from Georgetown, D. C. with pig iron to captain.

Schr A. Corson, Townsend, 5 days from Warren, R. I.

Schr J. C. Burnits, Fowler, I day from Leipsic, Del., with grain to Jus. L. Bewley & Co.

Schr Ariadne, Thomas, I day from Smyrna, Del., with grain to Jus. L. Bewley & Co.

Schr Ettie Hall, Maxson, 1 day from Frederica, Del., with grain to Jus. L. Bewley & Co.

Tug Thomas Jefferson, Alen, from Baltimore, with a tow of barges to W. P. Clyde & Co.

Tug Commodore, Wilson, from Havre-de-Grace, with a tow of barges to W. P. Clyde & Co.

pecial Desputch to The Eccaing Telegraph.

HAVEELE-GRACE, August 5.—The following boats left HAVRE DE GRACE, August 5.—The following boats left sere in tow this morning:

Daniel Undegraff, with lumber, for Brooklyn.

John and Annie, with lumber to Patterson & Lippincott.

J. F. Hicks, with coal to order.

J. P. Woolverton, with lumber to J. P. Woolverton.

Francia W. Leran, with lumber to D. B. Taylog.

Chas. M. Blanchard, with lumber to Craig & Blanchard,

MEMORANDA. Steamship Fanita, Brooks, hence, at New York yester Steamship Fanita, Brooks, hence, at New York yester day.

Barque Savannah, Scarfe, 23 days from Anguilla, at New York yesterday.

Barque Sohn Wooster, Knowles, for Constantinople, cleared at Boston 3d inst.

Schr E. C. Gates, Freeman, for Philadelphia, sasied from Wickford 3d inst.

Schrs John Stroup, Orawford, from Dighton; M. D. Cranmer, Oranmer, from Boston; Willow Harp, Davis, from Fall River; and James English, Barker, from Providence, all for Philadelphia, at New York resterday.

Schr Grace Webster, Hume, for Philadelphia, cleared at New York yesterday.

Schrs Polly Price, Yates, and F. B. Colton, Thomas, hence, at Boston 3d inst.

Schrs R. L. Tay, Baker, and James Martin, Baker, for Philadelphia, cleared at Boston 3d inst.

Schr F. Kesting, Daniels, for Philadelphia, cleared at New York yesterday.

Schr Mary Milnes, hence, below Boston 3d inst.

Schr A. H. Cain, Cain, for Philadelphia, cleared at Bath 3d inst.

2d inst.

Schr Pearl, Williams, hence, at Alexandria 3d inst.

Schr Oriole, Baker, hence, at Portland 2d inst.

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Schr J. A. Garrison, Steelman, hence, at Boston 3d inst.

Schra Marr Weaver, Weaver: C. S. Edwards, Corson;

Trade Wind, Corson; West Wind, Lawson; Helen Mar,

Nickerson; J. A. Parsons, Stevens; and E. C. Irvin, Atkins,
from Boston for Philadelphia, at Holmes Hole A. M. 3d

instant.