

Eighteen Killed in Church Panic.

Philadelphia, Jan. 22.—A wild panic, following a loud shriek of "Fire!" brought death to 18 colored persons and injuries to nearly two-score of others in St. Paul's Baptist church, on the west side of Eighth street, near Girard avenue. The terrible rush to gain the street was of brief duration, and that more were not killed in the stampede was probably due to the fact that the church was not crowded. At the time the disaster occurred not more than 300 persons were on the second floor of the building, which, with the gallery, was capable of accommodating 600 to 700. The fire was a trifling one, and was extinguished before the firemen arrived. The smell of smoke added to the panic, and despite the heroic work of Rev. E. W. Johnson, the pastor of the church, who tried in vain to allay the fears of the frightened worshippers, the terror-stricken people made a desperate rush to leave the church, only to be choked up on the narrow stairway. Those in the rear leaped over the prostrate forms of those who fell, and when the rush was over 18 lay dead on the first floor and stairs of the building. Death in nearly every case was due to suffocation or trampling.

Woman Shrieked Fire.
The disaster occurred while a collection was being taken up. The pastor had just concluded his sermon, the text of which was: "Why sit we here until we die?" Following the collection, there was to have been a baptism of a man and wife. As the pastor was arranging the pulpit preparatory to beginning the baptismal service, a woman in one of the front rows of the left side of the altar gave a loud shriek of fire. Instantly all those about her were on their feet looking for the blaze. There were no flames in sight, but those near the pulpit smelled smoke and started down the aisle toward the pulpit. Then followed a half dozen cries of fire, and the whole congregation instantly became panic-stricken. The pastor by this time realized the seriousness of the situation, and in a loud voice, which only added to the confusion, called to the terror-stricken people to be seated. No one listened, and despite his frantic appeal a rush started that meant death to many that were in it.

Awful Jam on Stairway.
When the rush started, those in the rear of the church did not fully realize what was wrong, and were slow to move. The frantic shrieking of the women and children became louder and more general, and many were knocked down in the two aisles of the church. Then came the terrible rush down the stairways. For some unknown reason everybody tried to get down the left side of the building, comparatively few attempting to leave by the right stairway. One eye witness says that perhaps a dozen persons got safely down the stairs, when several people tripped and fell and caused the narrow way to become jammed. Several men on the first floor attempted to hold the people back, but were knocked down, and then the human stream came tumbling down. The weaker ones fell, only to be trampled upon and crushed by those coming from behind. The horrible shrieks sent up by the prostrate persons added to the confusion, and by this time even the cooler ones in the rear of the fighting mass of men, women and children became terror-stricken. Strong men, in fear that the building was falling, leaped over the heads of women and children, and fought only for their own safety. The terrific crush in the bend of the stairs became so great that the balustrade, which was only a frail, wooden affair, gave way. There was a terrible crash as half a hundred persons were precipitated to the floor, a distance of about 10 or 12 feet. This heightened the intensity of the panic, and the rush became one awful jam.

The pastor of the church, a man of powerful physique and strong voice, continued to appeal to the crowd in the rear to stop their rush, but none would hear. Over the prostrate forms the crowd went, crushing the life out of those who were unable to extricate themselves. In the confusion some of the worshippers thought of the narrow door on the right side of the pulpit and made a quick exit that way, which action on their part probably saved the lives of a number of those who had been caught in the crush.

Terrible Sight on Stairway.
When those who came down the front stairs had left the building a terrible sight presented itself to the rescuers. The first floor and the stairway to the bend were covered three deep with the dead and dying. On the street hundreds were shrieking for help and looking for their missing loved ones. The rescuers did not know which way to turn first, but Police Captain Hamm and a policeman who arrived on the scene just as the last of the panic-stricken people were rushing from the edifice, took charge and turned in a general alarm for ambulances, policemen and firemen. With the help of scores of colored men and white people who were attracted to the scene, the dead and the injured were extricated from the terrible mass of humanity and laid on the sidewalks on Eighth street.

The ringing of the fire bells, the clang of the ambulance gongs, the almost total darkness and the thick fog added to the grewsomeness of the scene, and caused utter confusion for a time. Order was soon brought about, however, and every one who could not stand was placed in ambulances and rushed to hospitals. No time was taken up to see if any victim was dead, and within an hour after the disaster occurred the street had been cleared of the mass of people and the church door closed.

The scene at the hospital was pathetic in the extreme. A great crowd of colored people gathered at the doors of the institution, but no one was admitted without a satisfactory reason. An examination of the dead showed that most of the dead had been suffocated or had died from internal injuries. Of the injured few, if any, are likely to die.

The fire was a most trifling affair. A defective flue started a small fire in the chimney, which caused smoke to issue through the crevices in the second floor. Whether the flames were extinguished or burned themselves out is not known, but there was no fire in the building when the firemen set to work.

BRAZILIAN WARSHIP SUNK
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Rio Janeiro, Brazil, Jan. 23.—The Brazilian turretship Aquidaban has been sunk at Port Jacarepagua, south of Rio Janeiro, as the result of an explosion on board. The dead number 212 and the injured 36.
Four rear admirals perished on board the Aquidaban, which had been used for the accommodation of a number of supernumerary officers and men attached to the flotilla escorting the cruiser Barroso. The Barroso had on board the minister of marine and his staff, who were inspecting the sites proposed for a new arsenal.
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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Letters testamentary on the estate of Letitia Gebhart, deceased, late of Walker township, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them, duly authenticated for settlement. IRA. N. McCLOSKEY, Executor. Look Haven, Pa. 51-2-6

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.—Letters of administration on the estate of Eliza Tyson, deceased, late of the borough of Philipsburg, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons having claims against decedent are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement, and those owing the estate are requested to make immediate payment. Wm. E. TYSON, Adm. Tyrona, Pa. 51-2-6

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