

A CHRISTMAS CALAMITY.

Frightful Accident at Williamsport
FROM THE ALTAR TO ETERNITY IN AN INSTANT
The Floor of a Church Gives Way
300 CHILDREN THROWN INTO THE CELLAR
Fourteen Persons Killed and Fifty Wounded
HEARTRENDING SCENES AND INCIDENTS

WILLIAMSPORT, Dec 26.—Last evening the Sabbath school of the Baptist Church at Newberry, in the Seventh Ward of this city, assembled to participate in the ceremonies of Christmas night. Some three hundred men, women and children were there congregated. The ceremonies of the occasion were inaugurated, and Mr. Kinsloe, of this city, proceeded to address the children. Gifts had been brought in and the building was brilliantly illuminated. The address being concluded then came the distribution of the presents. At this moment there was a peculiar shake or quivering of the timbers that denoted a sudden downfall, and no sooner had the impression taken a firm hold upon those there congregated than the terrible catastrophe came with all its horrors and heartrending scenes.

The church was built with an upper audience room, and it was in this room that the people had assembled. The interior dimensions are 25 by 40 feet. There was a centre girth, with posts thickly placed on each side. Through the centre, from above, were two bolts connecting with this main girth. Evidently the weight of those assembled sprung the truss bearers, and these supports slipping out of their places, precipitated the audience to the floor below.—This is evident from the fact, that the timbers are not broken, only an occasional splinter or split marking the giving way of the bearers.

The gas pipe, two inches in diameter, beneath the centre girth, was bent by the immense weight until it curved nearly double. When the crash came there went up a wail of mingled humanity that caused the blood of all to fairly curdle, children wildly shrieking for their parents and the groans of the wounded filling the air with lamentation and distress, many beneath the timbers crying in the name of God for deliverance, while the oil lamps of the edifice had kindled a fire that bid fair to destroy all in a general conflagration.

Those outside worked with a will, and used every possible effort to rescue the living from the mangled mass. Several times the church was on fire, but fortunately the flames could be reached, and were speedily extinguished. Many of those who were able to reach a window burst out the lights leaped to the ground, a distance of fourteen or fifteen feet. Before eleven o'clock P. M., the bodies were removed and identified, to the panic several were wounded by being run over. One man, fastened by a falling timber, had his boots off and his stockings were on fire when he was rescued. A lady partially burned, cried to a gentleman, for God's sake save me from this horrible fate, whereupon he tore away the timber and saved her.

List of Killed.

John Ritchie, Boyd McShaffey, Mrs. Duncan Campbell and two children; a child of C. V. S. McMinis, Miss Sadie Moffitt, Miss Mary Fisher, Miss Lizzie Baskin, Miss Grace Lamson, Miss Tillie Reeder, a boy named Shuman a child of John Babb, and Mrs. John Wilkinson.

There were some

Forty or Fifty Wounded,

Including the following:—
Mrs. Thos. Ames, badly bruised; Mrs. Seeholst, slightly burned; Mrs. Moffitt, badly bruised; Miss Fessler, leg broken; Daniel Newcomer, leg broken; Mrs. Abraham Berry, leg broken; Robert Moffitt, slightly hurt; Howard Reeder, j.w. broken.

Lewis Reeder, badly hurt; Mrs. Jona than Fisher, leg broken; Miss Barkens, arm broken; Mrs. E. B. Campbell, badly hurt; John Antis, head cut; Mrs. Thomas, leg broken; Miss Toner, leg broken; Andrew Wentzel, ribs broken; Sadie Ramsey, ankle sprained; Gertie Ramsey, wounded; second daughter of James Toner ankle injured; Mack Fessler, badly hurt; George Smook, bruised; Carrie Bushy and Mr. and Mrs. McMinis, badly bruised; Alice Newcomer, Emma Brown Lewis Hartman, Wm. Hancock, Mrs. R. Jacoby, Annie Shaw, Alice McBride and father, Sarah Waltz, Amanda Waltz, Wm. Waltz, all injured; Lewis Cupp, nose broken.

Others were more or less injured, including Jackson Newcomer, Lottie Adams Edward and Jennie Kinley, Lizzie Flexer George Baskins, William Hellum, Worthy McConnell, a child of Mr. Berry, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. G. Kinsloe. Some of the injured will probably die. It is impossible to give the names of any more of the wounded at this time, as many of them were immediately removed to their homes in different parts of the city.

Separate Schools for Colored Children:

It appears to be decided, at last, that the Fourteenth Amendment does not provide for every possible conflict of opinion between white and colored people. In considering the education of the children of the two races in the same schools, two Northern courts have recently held that the question belongs to the School Board for decision, and not to the Amendment or to the citizen. Their arguments are that any classification which preserves substantially equal school advantages is not prohibited by either the State or Federal constitutions; that the citizens can not dictate where or by what teacher children shall be taught; and that "equality of rights" does not imply that white and colored children shall be educated in the same school any more than it implies the education of both sexes in the same school.

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April 18, 1872.]

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HORSES.—It will give them a good appetite, keep their skin loose and renders the coat soft and shining, keeping them in good condition with one-half the feed, being thereby a saving of one-half the money.

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Constantly on hand and for sale cheap for CASH, a fresh supply of Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Oil, Glass, Putty, Varnish, Kerosene Oil, Perfumery and Fancy Goods; also

Sash, blinds and Doors. Pure Wines and Liquors for Medicinal purpose.

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The public are invited to call. LEWIS T. LA BAR & CO. February 16, 1871.

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