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EXHIBITION

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All answered at

**Vernon Hull's Large Store.**  
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## TWELVE HOTELS BURNED

Atlantic City's Ocean Front Swept by Fierce Fire.

THE LOSS WILL EXCEED \$750,000

Flames Swept Along Boardwalk, Eating Up Hotels, Business Places and Several Blocks of the Esplanade. No Lives Were Lost.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 4.—Twelve hotels and more than a score of small buildings adjoining the boardwalk, which is built along the ocean edge, were destroyed yesterday by a fire which swept the beach front for two long blocks, from Illinois avenue to New York avenue. The loss, it is believed, will exceed \$750,000. In this respect the conflagration is the most disastrous that has ever visited this city. The loss will be only partly covered by insurance, as the rate of 5 per cent. charged by insurance companies on property is regarded as almost prohibitive. Fortunately no lives were sacrificed, though probably a dozen persons were slightly injured and burned during the progress of the fire. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is said to have started in either Brady's bath or the Tarlton hotel, which adjoins the baths at Illinois avenue and the boardwalk. The city last night was guarded by a company of militia, who were requested by the municipal authorities to aid the police in the prevention of looting.

The hotels destroyed are: The Luray and annex, the New Holland, Stratford, Berkley, Bryn Mawr, Stickney, Eward, Rio Grande, Mervine, Academy Hotel and Academy of Music, Windsor (partly destroyed) and Tarlton. Charles Keeler, who conducted a drug store on the boardwalk at Kentucky avenue, estimates his loss at \$60,000, and Victor Preisinger, proprietor of an art store, \$50,000.

In addition to the foregoing there were numerous other smaller booths and several cottages on minor thoroughfares in the rear of the boardwalk which were either partially or entirely destroyed.

### City Threatened With Destruction.

The fire was discovered shortly after 9 o'clock yesterday morning, and for nearly five hours the flames raged with such violence as to threaten the city with destruction. All of the burned buildings were frame structures and the flames, fanned by a strong southwest wind, swept along the beach front with amazing rapidity. The Tarlton hotel was soon a pile of smoldering debris, and the flames fed on the small stores and booths between Illinois and Kentucky avenues until they reached the Stratford hotel, which was soon enveloped. The fiery tongues leaped to the Berkley, adjoining, and in a few minutes the New Holland, the Bryn Mawr, the Eward and the Stickney, all located on Kentucky avenue, near the beach, were doomed. The local fire department worked well and willingly, but was unable to cope with the flames, and it was found necessary to send to Philadelphia and Camden for aid. The former city sent three engines and two came down from Camden. It was not until an hour after their arrival that the fire could be said to be thoroughly under control.

Just as the special train bearing the Philadelphia firemen arrived a burning brand set fire to the centre of Young's Pier, near Tennessee avenue. Meantime the flames had communicated with the Rio Grande, the Mervine and the Academy hotels and the Academy of Music, at the corner of New York avenue and the beach. For a few minutes Young's Pier burned fiercely, but the firemen succeeded in confining the flames to Marine Hall, which is situated in the centre of the pier. This structure was entirely destroyed, bisecting the pier.

During the progress of the fire the wildest excitement prevailed among the guests of the hotels which later became a prey to the flames. With the exception of the Tarlton and the Bryn Mawr, all of the hostleries were open for the season, and most of them were fairly well filled. In most cases the guests had sufficient time to pack their trunks and grips, and those who did not do this carried their personal effects to places of safety in the best manner possible under the circumstances. The beach appeared to be the most suitable depository, and many nondescript heaps of clothing, bedding and furniture appeared on the sand. This rendered extra vigilance necessary on the part of the police. The members of the volunteer fire department acted as special policemen, and Company L, National Guard of New Jersey, was called into requisition to preserve order.

Strenuous efforts were made by the firemen to prevent the destruction of the Windsor Hotel, which was the last to take fire. The wind had been favorable to the firemen, but the wing of the Windsor nearest the blazing structures began to burn, and in the course of a half hour had been consumed. The flames, however, were confined to this section of the build-

ing, though the main portion of the hotel is badly damaged by smoke and water.

Nothing is left of the boardwalk from Illinois avenue to a point within a few feet of Young's Pier but the iron supports. This is the portion of the walk that is mostly used by promenaders. The Dunlop hotel and the Bleak House, massive brick structures at Tennessee avenue and the beach, were in grave danger when the conflagration was at its height. The employees of both houses played streams of water upon the buildings from all sides, and in this way doubtless prevented the further spread of the flames.

### MURDERER LANE FOUND GUILTY

Slayer of Miss Jarden and Daughters Sentenced to Hang.

Philadelphia, April 5.—Exactly nine hours after his third victim had died, William H. Lane, the self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Jarden and her two daughters, was convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to death by hanging. After hearing all the evidence in the case and a full confession made by Lane before the court, Judge Biddle, at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon fixed the grade of crime at murder in the first degree. Sentence was immediately pronounced. The conviction of Lane whose death sentence was pronounced but little more than three days after his crime was committed, is one of the quickest instances of the kind on record.

Eloise, the 7-year-old daughter of Ella Jarden, who was also known as Mrs. Furbush and Mrs. Fisher, passed quietly away yesterday morning at the Hahnemann Hospital, where for nearly three days she had been making a brave struggle for life. The physicians at the hospital say that the fatal bullet entered the child's body below the last rib and penetrated the abdomen, lodging in the back wall.

Public opinion, already bitter against the colored man, is aroused anew by the death of his third victim, and his trial was as brief as the law would allow. Although custom usually allows a murderer four months to live after his sentence is pronounced, he is legally entitled to but 21 days.

### OXFORD SCHOLARSHIPS

Cecil Rhodes' Will Provides For Education of Americans.

London, April 5.—The will of Cecil Rhodes provides for the establishment of colonial scholarships, as previously announced, and two American scholarships to each of the present states and territories of the United States.

The will of Mr. Rhodes also provides for five scholarships for students of German birth, at Oxford, to be nominated by Emperor William, and commenting on the bequest, Mr. Rhodes, in a codicil telegraphed from South Africa, said: "For a good understanding between England, Germany and the United States will secure the peace of the world and educational relations form the strongest tie."

All the Rhodes scholarships, American, colonial and German, are at Oxford University.

The will provides that the executors may, at their discretion, delay establishing any territorial scholarships until such time as they may think fit, but it provides also that the territorial scholarships once established shall not lapse upon the admission of the territory to statehood. Another provision is that no student shall be qualified or disqualified for election to a scholarship on account of race or religious opinion.

Mr. Rhodes' estate is valued at \$25,000,000.

### TRIPLETS FOLLOW TWINS

New Jersey Couple Married Two Years Breaks the Record.

Woodbury, N. J., April 7.—Half the people around the village of Barnesboro, just below here, visited the residence of Daniel Newshafer, a young farmer, whose place is about four miles from the village. There was an event in the home of Mr. Newshafer on Saturday morning that was quite unique in that vicinity. Mrs. Newshafer became the proud mother of three charming little girl babies, very tiny, but very lusty of lung, and she is reported as doing very nicely under the circumstances. Newshafer himself is said to have had a turn for the worse during the day, but the physician hopes to pull him through.

The triplets might have attracted attention enough of their own account, but that they have probably broken some records adds to their renown. The Newshafers have been married just two years. One year after the tying of the knot Newshafer was made very proud over the possession of twin boys, both of whom have grown well and flourished like weeds. Now that his family is suddenly increased to five, and all in two years, he is wondering what is likely to happen next.

### Lee Not Seeking Cuban Post.

Charlottesville, Va., April 7.—General Fitzhugh Lee authorizes the statement that he is not a candidate for the position of minister or consul general to Cuba. He seeks no diplomatic position.

## BOER LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Forced to Retreat After Fierce Fight With British.

137 WERE KILLED OR WOUNDED

Britons Entrenched Themselves, and Getting Guns into Action, Repelled the Boers' Determined Attacks. Bravery of Canadians.

Klerksdorp, Transvaal Colony, April 7.—Details received of the battle at Doornbaat farm, March 31, in which the British had three officers and 24 men killed and 16 officers and 131 men wounded, while the Boers had 137 men killed or wounded, show that quite 2,000 Boers opened a strong attack from different points, with three guns and a pom-pom. This attack was made at a moment when the British had left their luggage in a laager in charge of the Canadian contingent and were galloping across the open plain, with the intention of capturing a Boer convoy which had been discovered five miles ahead. The British retired steadily, and, having dismounted, opened a return fusillade on the Boers.

While the luggage in charge of the Canadians was sent for, the British formed a camp and started digging trenches. The shelling of the Boers stampeded the mules and caused confusion, but otherwise it was not very effective, as many shells failed to explode.

The Canadians' front was attacked in strong numbers, but they gallantly repelled every attempt made by the Boers to break through. One party of the Canadians fought until all were killed or wounded, and the last man of this party, although mortally wounded, emptied two handlovers of cartridges at the enemy and then broke his rifle.

The fighting was severe and general for fully three hours, but after the British had entrenched and the guns got into action the forces repelled numerous and determined attacks made under the personal exhortations of the Boer leaders.

Towards night the fire gradually ceased and the Boers retired. The British then telegraphed for aid, and further entrenched their camp for the night, to await the arrival of General Kitchener, but the Boers made no attempt to renew the attack.

### BRITISH CAMP IN LOUISIANA

America Has Contributed 42,000 Men to Fight the Boers.

Washington, April 4.—General Samuel Pearson, formerly of the Boer army, has returned to Washington from New Orleans, where he went to gather proof to substantiate his charge that the British authorities in Louisiana had, in violation of the laws of neutrality, set up a regular military establishment, from which their army in South Africa was being furnished with men, horses, mules and supplies.

General Pearson last night declared that America had contributed at least 42,000 men to aid the British in their fight against the Boers and had furnished the British government with 201,107 horses and mules. He said there are one British general, two colonels and sixty captains and lieutenants in this country with headquarters at New Orleans.

Secretary Hay has received from Governor Heard, of Louisiana, a statement alleging the existence of the camp at Chalmetto, on the Mississippi river. After a discussion of the matter at a cabinet meeting the president ordered an investigation.

### Return of Barnum's Circus.

New York, April 7.—Announcement is made that, by a recently completed agreement, Barnum and Bailey's circus will be brought back from Europe next year and that "Buffalo Bill's" Wild West Show will succeed it there. The Wild West Show after its direct engagement in this city will go directly across the continent, taking in Arizona and the other western states which gave birth to the life it pictures. With the close of the season the show will be taken abroad for a stay of possibly two years. Barnum and Bailey's circus will then close its long stay abroad and return to America.

### Carrie Nation On Warpath.

Nebraska City, Neb., April 7.—Mrs. Carrie Nation was arrested here on Saturday and taken to jail, but was released on her promise to leave by the next train. She had been making the rounds of the saloons, and at one threatened to demolish a huge picture and smash the bar. The bartender warned her, but she persisted, and he struck her twice in the face and put her out of the saloon. She soon returned with a party of adherents, but a policeman arrested her. Before leaving she exacted a promise that the bartender should be prosecuted.

### Many Vessels Missing.

Yokohama, April 7.—Forty vessels have been reported missing since the storm of April 3, and there have undoubtedly been many fatalities at sea.