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GREAT FIERY FURNACE

Millions of Dollars Worth of Paterson, N. J., Property Burned.

The Conflagration Started at Midnight and Was Not Gotten Under Control Until Late Sunday Afternoon By the Firemen.

Paterson, N. J., Feb. 10.—A great fire swept through Paterson Sunday and in its desolate wake are the embers and ashes of property valued in preliminary estimate at $10,000,000.

It burned its way through the business section of the city and claimed as its own a majority of the finer structures devoted to commercial, civic, educational and religious use, as well as scores of houses. There was but small tribute of life and injury to the conflagration, but hundreds were left homeless and thousands without employment. A relief movement for the care of those unsheltered and unprovided for has already been organized, and Mayor John Hinchcliffe said Sunday night that Paterson would be able to care for her own without appealing to the charity of other communities and states. The great manufacturing plants of the place are safe, and the community, temporarily dazed by the calamity, has already commenced the work of reorganization and restoration.

The fire came Saturday midnight and was only checked after a desperate fight that lasted until late Sunday afternoon. Every city and town within reach sent firemen and apparatus to the relief of the threatened city.

A northwest gale gave the conflagration its impetus and carried its burning brands to kindle the blaze afresh at other points. The firemen made stand after stand before the wall of fire, but were repeatedly driven back, and when victory finally came to them they were grimed and exhausted.

Among the properties destroyed were eight public buildings, including the city hall and No. 1 engine house; five churches, six banks, five club houses, seven office buildings, two telegraph companies, the Garden theater, two newspapers and 25 stores.

An estimate made from a general inspection of the smouldering ruins placed the number of dwellings and apartment houses destroyed at 500, and the number of families left without shelter at 1,000.

The fire began its work of far reaching destruction at the power house of the Jersey City, Hoboken & Paterson Traction Co., which fronted on Broadway and extended a block to the rear on Van Houten street. It commenced ...

OUR PRESENT NAVY.

It Cost the United States $99,803,928 For Construction.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The new navy has cost the United States $99,803,928 for construction and $9,243,235 for repairs on completed vessels. These figures were supplied in a statement forwarded to the senate Monday by the secretary of the navy in response to a resolution adopted by the senate in February, 1901, and is the result of labors of a number of navy department employes for the past year. It is considered a very comprehensive and accurate financial history of the present navy. The facts are all given in tabulated form, without explanatory text. In addition to the expenditures on vessels now afloat there are several ships in course of construction. These include the Kentucky and the Kearsarge on each of which an expenditure of $4,000,000 has been authorized, and the Illinois, Wisconsin and Alabama, on each of which an expenditure of $3,750,000 is authorized. There are also several smaller vessels in course of construction which will bring the total up to a considerable extent when the vessels are completed.

The statement covers the period from 1883 and begins with the building of the Chicago, Atlanta and Boston.

Of the completed vessels, the Oregon cost the greatest amount, $6,575,032. The Massachusetts is second in point of cost, $6,047,117. The total cost of the Maine was $4,677,788.

A VERY LIVELY WEEK.

Heaviest Losses to Boer and British Forces For Months.

London, Feb. 11.—A report received Monday from Lord Kitchener at Pretoria shows last week to have been the liveliest week with the heaviest losses on both sides for several months past. Lord Kitchener gives the Boer casualties a total of 69 killed, 17 wounded, 57 surrendered and 274 taken prisoners. The British captured 480 rifles, one pompom and the usual grist of ammunitions and live stock.

The most serious British loss during the week was the capture of 60 donkey wagons, convoyed by 100 troops. At a point 30 miles from Beaufort, West Cape Colony, the enemy swooped down on the donkey wagons and cut up the convoy before assistance arrived. They were able to remove only 2 of the wagons and burned the rest. In this engagement the British lost two officers and 11 men killed and one officer and 47 men wounded, while the Boers lost 24 killed and 47 wounded.

The Boers also rushed a detachment of 100 men of Col. Doran's column, the night of February 3, when the British ...

PRESIDENT'S SON ILL.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Stricken With Double Pneumonia.

His Parents Are at His Bedside at Groton, Mass., Where the Young Lad Was Attending School—Condition Serious.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Roosevelt, the wife of the president, left Washington at 4:50 o'clock Friday afternoon for Groton, Mass., where their son, Theodore, jr., is lying seriously ill of pneumonia.

Washington, Feb. 10.—President Roosevelt, owing to his son's illness, Saturday cancelled his intended trip to the Charleston exposition for the present and Saturday evening left for Groton, Mass., where Theodore, jr., is down with pneumonia.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 10.—President Roosevelt, upon his arrival at the Groton school Sunday afternoon, did not find his son, Theodore, jr., alarmingly ill with pneumonia, but the boy's condition was not sufficiently reassuring to warrant the president's immediate return to the national capital.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, jr., the oldest son of President Roosevelt, has double pneumonia. Otherwise his condition was unchanged Monday night. The boy is seriously sick, but it is too early to say what the chances are for his recovery. This was the statement issued by Geo. B. Cortelyou, secretary to the president, Monday night, and was made after careful examination by Dr. Alexander Lambert, the family physician of President Roosevelt, who arrived here from New York at 6 o'clock. President and Mrs. Roosevelt spent a long, anxious day in the infirmary awaiting the crisis of the disease, which Monday morning appeared to have taken such a strong hold of their son. The change for the worse in the boy's condition occurred during the night and showed itself when the regular morning examination.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 11.—At 2:30 a. m. the condition of Theodore Roosevelt, jr., was apparently very serious, for lights can be seen in the infirmary and nurses and doctors are moving around. For the last half hour the voice of the boy calling for water could be heard on the street. Nothing could be obtained from the house, but it is believed the patient is delirious.

At 3:20 Tuesday morning the excitement in the infirmary had subsided and it was understood that the patient is resting easily. An hour ago he complained of difficulty in breathing ...

SAVINGS BANK CLOSED.

The Vice President Arrested and Released on Bond.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 11.—The City savings bank closed its doors here Monday morning, and the state bank commissioner is in charge.

Vice President Frank C. Andrews, of the City savings bank, which has been in the hands of State Banking Commissioner George L. Maltz since Monday morning, was arrested late Monday and arraigned Monday night on the charge of "willfully, fraudulently and knowingly" securing from the bank without security and without the knowledge of the other directors a sum exceeding $1,000,000. He was released on $10,000 bail and his examination was set for February 21. Cashier Henry C. Andrews, through whom F. C. Andrews is said to have secured the money by means of overdrafts and certified checks, is seriously ill at his home, with nervous prostration. In addition to a total indebtedness to the City savings bank of $1,158,000, to secure which Mr. Andrews has signed over to that institution all his real estate holdings and stocks, bonds and other securities, which it is estimated will total up $1,000,000, four local banks and a trust company hold his checks, certified to by Cashier Andrews, to the amount of $662,000. A considerable number of these checks are protected by securities deposited with them by Mr. Andrews.

As soon as Commissioner Maltz took charge of the institution he immediately began an examination of its books. It was found that Cashier Andrews had permitted F. C. Andrews to overdraw his account $914,000. Other liabilities brought F. C. Andrews' total indebtedness to the bank up to $1,158,000. In addition to this, Cashier Andrews had certified to checks for F. C. Andrews, which he had deposited in other banks, to the amount of $662,000.

BIG BLAZE AT SPRINGFIELD.

The Big Shops Built By W. Whiteley Practically Destroyed.

Springfield, O., Feb. 11.—The great East street shops built by Wm. N. Whiteley, the quandom reaper king, at a cost of $1,500,000, were almost entirely destroyed by fire Monday afternoon.

The shops were occupied by the Springfield Foundry Co., Progress Stove and Furnace Co., Indianapolis Frog and Switch Co., Kyle Art Glass Co., Krell-French Piano Co., Miller Gas Engine Co., Champion Chemical Co. and Owens Machine Tool Co. The shop was bought by Senator ...

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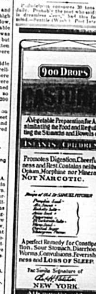

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Reflections of a Bachelor.

California—Tourists Cars.

Items Of Interest.

Still Dead

When Making Pies.

Has Read Bible 117 Times.

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About the World.

HOW HE BECAME PROMINENT.

Ginger Ice Cream

A QUEER WEDDING FEAST.

Pointed Paragraphs

TIRED OUT.

That Cough Hangs On

You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

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