NEW YORK HERALD SATURDAY, ITLY 28 1878 - WITH SUPPLEMENT.

A BLAZE IN BALTIMORE

The Monumental City in Danger of Destruction.

A SPARK FROM A FURNACE.

Fire and Smoke Over the Centre of the City.

FEEDERS TO THE FLAMES.

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ONE HUNDRED HOUSES DESTROYED.

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Destruction of the Maryland Academy of Art.

A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

Wretched Bookeries and Haunts of Filth and Vice Swept Away.

The most serious and extensive confiagration with which Baltimore has ever been visited occurred to-day. The loss in money will amount to out one million dollars, and the disaster is increased by the destruction of a hundred houses which were mostly occupied by a poor class of eleven o'clock in the sash and blind factory; of J. Thomas & Son, in Clay street, between Lexingof three blocks, bounded on the east by Liberty, on the west by Howard street, on the south by Lexington and on the north by Saratoga street. These two last named streets run east and west and parallel with them, and petween them runs Clay street. This street was targety occupied by manufacturers of wooden framework and of boxes, and the contents of the buildings acted as

FEEDERS TO THE FLAMES. They originated in Thomas' establishment from sparks falling from the furnace of the boiler, and spreading through the factory and sparks were falling in a furious shower on the adjacent houses. The day was calm, but the fury of the flames soon created a wind, which spread the cinders far and wide, and while firemen were at w on one building sparks and flames would shoot up from another a square distant. In a very short time the row of houses on the west side of Park street, between Lexington and Clay, were in flames. The flames soon leaned across Park street and seized the large stables of John D. Stewart but his horses had been removed in time.' The greater number of the houses near by had shingle roofs, which had been so baked and dried by the sun as to be inflammable in the highest degree, and under the copious shower of cinders which fell apon them they were soon smoking and blazing.

The wind at first was towards the northwest and

threatened to sweep the flames across Saratoga

street, on the north side of which was ST. ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH and some of the most elegant private residences of Baltimore millionnaires. Fortunately, however, the direction of the wind changed and swept the names back southward upon their former course. The lefty spire of St. Alphonsus church had al-ready begun to smoke, and men were plying it with buckets of water from the loopholes, when the change of the wind saved it from destruction. On the south side of Saratoga street was a row of lofty buildings, occupied by a school under the control of the Brotherhood of St. Alphonsus church, and these were entirely destroyed. It being vacation they were empty at the time, and no loss of life was incurred. From this point the flames swept eastward along Saratoga street and soon wrapped the Central Presbyterian church at the corner of Liberty street within their devouring grasp. The towering steeple was first encircled with

A SPIRAL COLUMN OF FIRE: next the roof blazed up, and in half an hour afterwards the whole magnificent edifice was in fire and is now a mass of crumbling ruins. It was one of the finest churches of Baltiblock between it and Park street on the south side of Saratoga, was composed of handsome residences, of which there is no vestige but flaming ruins. On Lexington street, west of Liberty, the First English Lutheran church was also burned to the ground. Singular to say it was the only one of the buildings on Lexington street to the front of which the flames penetrated. With the exception of these two churches, the row on Saratoga street and the manufacturing establishments in Clay street, there were no valuable buildings destroyed in this district; but within it there were a vast number of people resident therein, and their efforts to remove their household goods and to escape from the flames presented

People for squares around were recklessly tumbling their furniture into the streets and owners of carts and wagons were demanding the most extravagant prices for transporting them to places of safety. At the height of the fire the scene was appalling. A multitude of men were hurrying to

the fiames as they leaped from house to house feet of the restless crowd. The destruction in this way and by the water thrown upon stores in actual damage by fire.

THE CENTRE OF THE BURNED DISTRICT

being mainly occupied with small tenement houses. the individual suffering of people suddenly de-Many of these were negroes and abandoned whites. who occupied quarters the equal of the worst dens in Philadelphia. The burned district was a parallelogram, the outer sides of which were made up of of the conflagration in its worst aspect, but it remains to be told that the flames leaped across the

square on the north side of Saratoga street and descended upon the south side of Mulberry street. Here was a large building occupied by the academi sparks, falling upon its roof, soon set it on fire. The building was partially consumed, and also that immediately adjoining, which was occupied by the Maryland Academy of Art. The valuable paintings and sculptures in the Academy were, fortunately, saved from the fire. On the north side of Mulberry street the flames extended to a row of fine residences and completely destroyed

THE FINEST SPECIMENS OF OLD TIME ARCHITECTURE, in Baltimore. The Cathedral, immediately across the street from them, at one time was in the greatest danger, but by the efforts of a brigade of its roof, it was so thoroughly saturated that failing sparks failed to ignite it. With this last effort the fiames ceased their onward march and happily were confined to the district which I have already named. To estimate the configgration it may be said that only fortuitous circumstances prevented it from sweeping out the entire centre of the city.

thousand dollars, and were among

THE LOSS IS NOT SO GREAT. because so large a portion of the district was oc disgrace to the city. Such a configration has long been invited by the permission which has been given to factories with an immense stock of inflammable material to occupy places in the heart of the city, and the fire, if it abolishes them finally, will be a decided benefit in the end.

There was no loss of life, although at times persons were placed in imminent danger. THE CASUALTIES.

cept in the case of the death of Sister Rinaldi, a nun in the Convent of St. Alphonsus church, who ington Fire Department, was hurt by being driven ion of steam, but they will probably recover. The insurances cannot be estimated to-night, although it is said that other than local companies suffer

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 25, 1873. About half-past ten o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the extensive four story brick steam planing mill, sash and door factory owned and occupied by Joseph Thomas & Son, and sit nated on the south side of Clay street, near Park. Clay street is a narrow street, beginning at Liberty street, about midway between and parallel with Saratoga street on the north and Lexington street on the south, and extends west, intersecting Park and Howard streets and terminating at Eutaw street. Thomas' planing mill was in shape like the letter L. having a front on both Clay and Park street. The fire broke out in the engine room. near the centre of the mill and in a short time the building was enveloped in dames, and the boilers of the engine exploded. In the meantime the fire alarm was sounded, and the steamers were soon on the ground and PLAYING ON THE PIRE.

A stir breeze from the southwest was blowing and, owing to the heat and the dryness of the materials, the flames soon communicated with the adjoining buildings on each side, on Clay and Park streets. A general alarm was sounded, calling out the entire Fire Department. The flerceness and heat of the confiagration increased and the breeze fed the flames, which leaped across Clay street to the north side, and soon each side of Clay street, east to Park street, was on fire. The flames shot high above the burning buildings, and dense volumes of suffocating smoke were borne northeastwards hurling in every direction blazing cinders, which fell on the dry, parching roofs. In a short time Park street on each side, from Lexington street on

the south, across Clay street to Saratoga street on the north, was a sheet of fire, nearly every building being in flames. The heat was so intense that all the firemen were driven from the street. THE POUR BLOCKS BOUNDED BY LIBERTY STREET on the east, Saratoga on the north, Howard or the west and Lexington on the south, and intersected by Park and Clay streets, were each ablaze, and several fine build ings on Mulberry street had taken fire from the burning brands hurled by the

wind. About eleven A. M. a general confiagration seemed imminent, and the Fire Department at Washington was telegraphed to for assistance The greatest consternation prevailed. The roofs of several buildings as far off as Calvert street became ignited, as also the dome of the cathedral, steeple of St. Alphonsus Catholic church, corner of Park and Saratoga streets. In all directions women and children were fleeing from their burning houses, and for blocks around every article of turniture was being removed pell-mell and thrown from windows. The streets were impassable from blocking by furniture wagons and every kind of vehicle that could be brought into requisition. While the fire was raging the entire Fire and fro in the endeavor to save their furniture. | Department was nobly at work battling against its | from nine menths to four years.

THE CITY OF BALTIMORE.



The space on the map marked "Burned District," bounded by Mulberry, L. berty, L. rington. and Howard streets, comprises ten block, divided by Clay, Saratoga and Little Pleasant streets, running east and west, and by Park street, running north and south.

crowded the roofs of the buildings on every side and many blocks off, quenching the falling, blazing brands with buckets of water and preventing ignition by spreading blankers.

was covered with blankets, and thus saved, as also

The firemen, driven from Park street, between Lexington and Saratoga streets, by the intense heat shandoned this section to its fate, and directed their main efforts to preventing the spread of the fire beyond the four blocks named. Shortly after one o'clock P. M. two engines arrived from Washington and rendered valuable assistance. The fire raged till three P. M., but by four clock was completely under control

CENTRAL ASIA

Treaty Arrangement Between the Czar of Russia and the Khan of Khiva.

Muscovite Provision for Money-The Cause of Philanthropy and Independence.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 25, 1873. The Russian government has received a despatch from General Kaufmann announcing that a treaty between Russia and Khiva has been signed.

The Khan promises to pay Russia 2,000,000 ru oles and abolish capital punishment in his domin-

In return for this Russia guarantees the lade pendence of the Khanate.

The Czar's troops will occupy Khiva until the war

A portion of the territory of the Khivan Khanate is to be given to Bokhara for assistance rendered to the Russian troops.

ENGLAND.

Bullion to the Bank and Discount on 'Change-Mr. "Bull Broiling, Baking and Burning On"-Agriculturist Prospects.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

LONDON, July 25, 1873. The amount of buillon gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £20,000. market is (2:45 P. M.) % per cent below the Bank of England rate. The rate for money at

1% per cent below the Bank of England rate. HN "BULL" IN A METROPOLITAN BAKE DISH In London the unusual heat continues, the tnernometer standing at eighty-five degrees. HARVEST PROSPECTS.

the Stock Exchange on government securities is

The weather throughout England is fair and avorable to the crops THE TICHBORNE "CLAIMANT" TO SOLICIT AMERICAN

Mr. William H. Whalley, member of Parliament for Peterborough and prominent as a friend of the Tichborne claimant, will soon proceed to the United States for the purpose of soliciting sub-scriptions to enable the claimant to defray the expenses incurred in his trial.

THE SHAH.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

LONDON, July 25, 1873. Upon taking his departure from Europe for home the Snah of Persia will embark at Brindisi.

GERMANY.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

FRANKPORT, July. 25, 1873. who participated in the beer riots in this city several months ago have been convicted and sent to prison for tw

SPAIN.

The Capital of the Republic Threatened by the March of an Insurgent Army.

Parliamentist Suppression of the Ministry of Admiralty.

Senor Salmeron's Call for a New Army.

Insurgent Demonstration Against Madrid and the Germans.

A Safety-Committee Man Running for His Life.

Cortes' Resolve Against Insurgent Cuba.

Contreras' Cantonal Command and Circular to the Foreign Cabinets.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

MADRID, July 25, 1873. It is reported that General Contreras, the leader of the revolt at Cartagena, is marching on this city with 6,000 men, having left a

force equally as strong at Cartagena. BLACKMAIL UNDER THE NAVAL FLAG.

It is also said that Contreras has sent the frigate Almanza to Malaga and the steamer Fernando el Católico to Torrevieja with instructions to the commanders to levy contributions upon the inhabitants of those cities. PRESIDENT SALMERON'S CALL FOR A POWERFUL

President Salmeron has issued a proclama tion calling 80,000 men of the reserves into active service against the insurrectionists in

CORTES' SUPPRESSION OF THE ADMIRALTY. The Cortes have passed a bill suppressing the Admiralty.

the country.

INSURBECTIONIST OPPOSITION TO THE GERMAN NAVAL ACTION.

Contreras, commanding the rebels in Cartagens, threatens to seize all the German ships now lying in the harbor of that port unless

the Vigilante, captured by a German man-ofwar, is restored to the insurgents. There is a rumor, which needs confirmation, that the German Consul at Cartagens, has

been arrested by the insurgents and is de tained as a hostage. A SAFETY-COMMITTEE MAN PLEEING FOR DEAR

LIFE. The President of the Committee of Public Safety in Madrid has fled from the city.

Penitent Policemen Praised by

BARCELONA, July 25, 1873. The gendarmerie of this city, who had left to join the Carlists, reconsidered their determi-

nation and returned to their allegiance to the Republic, amid the enthusiasm of the populace. Only their colonel and his som went over to the insurgents

Dire Reselve Against Free Cuba-Disarmament to Precede the Citizen De

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25, 1873. Information from Madrid by telegraph has just been received in diplomatic circles that the Cortes, by a large majority, have resolved that they will confer no further political privileges in Cuba until the insurgents shall lay down their arms.

A President and Commander-in-Chief of a Canton-Prussian Liberation of the Crew of the Vigilante.

MADRID, July 25-Evening. Contreras, assuming the title of President and Commander of the Land and Sea Forces of the Canton of Murcia, has addressed a

circular memorandum to the foreign Powers. The Germans have liberated the crew of the Vigilante for fear the German Consul and his family at Cartagena would be shot.

INSURGENT PERMISSION FOR COMMUNICATION WITH BERLIN.

The insurgents have promised to delay the seizure of the German vessels in port three days, so that their commanders may have time to telegraph for and receive instructions from Berlin

OCEAN TELEGRAPHY.

Multiplication of the Means of Cable Communi-

TELECRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

St. Johns, N. F., July 25, 1873. the laying of a fourth cable between Sidney, Cape Breton, and Placentia, Newfoundland.

CUBA.

Colonial Republicans in Address to the Captain General-Patriotism, Pathos and Scripture-Sharp Action in the Field.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

HAVANA, July 25, 1873. The Republica Española (newspaper) publis an appeal from the republicans, addressed to "Citizen General Pieltain," denouncing the meetings which have been lately held for the ostensib object of ameliorating financial and commercial affairs in the island. It declares that these meetput off action in hopes that the Carlists or Aliondsts would get into power in Spain.

The conservatives are termed the "enemies of the Republic," and the services of the republicans whose numbers are not to be despised, are offered

to the Captain General. The address concludes thus:- "Command us and you will find us full of courage, ready to combat for liberty, order, the integrity of the soil, justice and right. Think well over this, Citizen Pieltain. Think

with me are against me." "

SHARP ACTION IN THE PIELD. A despatch from Puerto Principe says a division of Spanish troops was recently surprised by the in-surgents. A sharp skirmish followed, when, reinforcements arriving, the enemy was finally comnelled to retire.

THORNYON.—On Friday, July 25, at his residence 1,178 Broadway, THOMAS THORNYON, aged 62 years. Funeral will take place on Sunday, July 27, at two o'clock P. M. Friends of the family, also the members of Eastern Star Lodge, F. and A. M., are invited to attend.

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VAN CAMP.—GILBERT, son of Abel and Elizabett.

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BENJAMIN CARR, Master.

JOHN DEVINS, Secretary.

VAN CAMP,—GILBERT, son of Abel and Elizabeth

Van Camp, aged 47 years, 10 months and 8 days.

Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, at the residence
of Robert Thompson, Esq., Tompkinsville, Staten
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[For Other Deaths See Second Page.]

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