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& CO.,**

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New arrival of handsome Tail-
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Jordan Almonds,
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TERRIBLE FIRE IN NEW YORK

Many Lives Lost and Scores of People
Injured in the Destruction of
the Windsor Hotel on
Fifth Avenue.

Eight Bodies, all of Women, who Were
Killed in Leaping from Win-
dows, Identified.

A Search only Will Reveal How Many Died in
The Fery Furnace.

Abner McKinlev, his Wife and Daughter and Miss Helan
McKinlev Among the Rescued.

Thrilling Scenes of Rescue and Escape by Means of Ropes
Let Down from the Windows.

New York, March 17.—The Windsor Hotel, for nearly thirty years one of the most famous hotels of this country, was completely destroyed by fire this afternoon and many persons were burned to death and probably more than fifty injured. Eight bodies have been identified but there are more in the ruins. The identified bodies are those of persons who had leaped or fallen from windows. All were women. Mrs. Warren Leland, wife of the proprietor and her daughter were two of these; others guests at the hotel. There were rescues by scores, some of them the most thrilling imaginable. Among these were Abner McKinlev, wife and daughter and Miss Helen McKinlev.

The fire occurred in the time being, the most crowded part of the city, for Fifth avenue was jammed from curb to curb with St. Patrick's day paraders. To this fact is due some of the loss of life and injury to persons for the crowd interfered with the police and firemen, but so suddenly did it sweep through the big hotel, from floor to floor, from street to roof, and from side to side that if there had been no crowd there would still have been many accidents and some fatalities.

It is the worst fire New York has had in many years. It may be days before the list of the dead is completed. There is no complete list of the missing. There are bodies in the ruins, but only by a search will the extent of the disaster be known.

HOW IT STARTED.
It was a few minutes past 3 o'clock when the fire broke out. A waiter on the second floor noticed one of the guests light a cigarette and toss the match toward a window. It struck the lace curtains which blazed up like so much powder.

At this moment Fifth avenue was

blocked with crowds watching the St. Patrick's day parade, then passing. The windows of the hotel were crowded and hundreds were on the roof. In a few minutes smoke was pouring from a dozen windows of the big hotel. One of the elevators fell with a crash and the shaft became a great flue sucking the flames.

By the time the first engine arrived the people in the windows had rushed back only to return, screaming and terror-stricken. The firemen at once began the work of rescue, but were hampered by the lack of fire escapes and the frantic struggles of hysterical women.

From a window on the third floor a man lowered his daughter and wife to the ground and then came down hand over hand amid the cheers of thousands. Rope fire escapes were being thrown out from every room and men and women climbing and attempting to lower themselves to the street. Now and then a fortunate one would get to the bottom without falling, but eight out of ten would slide a few stories and then fall the rest of the way.

Time after time a victim would shoot down, strike the portico and bounce off into the street. The firemen did not have enough nets, but occasionally one would catch a falling victim.

Of sixty or seventy who slid down the ropes but two or three were killed. The injured were carried into near-by houses.

Meanwhile the flames were gaining terrific headway. They had broken through the roof and shot high in the air. Dense clouds of smoke poured out of the windows and darkened everything. The firemen continued taking women down the ladders, but one leaped from the fourth floor window, turned four or five somersaults and landed on the sidewalk unconscious.

On the Forty-seventh street side there were several thrilling rescues. At two windows people saw two women shrieking. The women then disappeared never to return. Whether they lived or died, none knows, but by this time the whole interior was a roaring furnace. It is almost certain they perished.

A FEARFUL PANIC.
Several others were seen to perish. All this time there was a most terrible

panic inside the doomed hotel. Men and women lost their heads and ran wildly about shrieking and crying for aid. Policemen and firemen braved the blasts of hot air and the suffocating smoke and gathered in most of the shrieking ones. They got all whom they could see and did not leave until the roaring flames were almost on them.

On the street floor the panic was almost indescribable. Among those rescued from the first floor were Mrs. Abner McKinlev, her daughter, Mabel, and the president's sister, Miss Helen McKinlev, who were gotten down the main stairway in safety.

One woman after being rescued called so loudly for her diamonds that a fireman got them at the risk of his life.

By the time that the work of rescue had gone as far as it was possible all the fire engines that had arrived succeeded in getting streams on the burning hotel and the buildings near-by. Flames were coming from every window and licking at the houses across the street.

The fire was gotten under control by 7 o'clock and nothing was left but a mass of ruins.

FIREMEN INJURED.
Several firemen were hurt by falling walls. None of the buildings which caught fire was destroyed but several were badly damaged.

Among the injured in Bellevue hospital is Mrs. M. Price, of Macon, Ga., sister-in-law of Governor Candler.

One of the young women killed by jumping from a window was identified as Miss Lascelles Grandy, of Elizabeth City, N. C. She arrived from the south last Wednesday.

THE DEAD AND MISSING.

New York, March 18, 2 A. M.—Following are the names of the persons whose bodies have been recovered up to 1:30 o'clock this morning:

John Connolly, hotel carpenter.
Mrs. John M. Gibson, Cincinnati.
Miss Eleanor Goodman.
Miss Lucille Gradue, North Carolina.
Mrs. Nancy Kirk, Chicago.

Mrs. Isabelle Leland, wife of the proprietor.
Miss Helen Leland, daughter of the proprietor.
Miss Amelia Paddock, Irvington-on-Hudson.

The names of one hundred and four were reported to the police as missing, but many of these will doubtless turn up.

**FIRST N. C. REGIMENT
RECEIVES ORDERS.**

Havana, March 17.—Brooke has ordered the Fourth Tennessee and First North Carolina to hold themselves in readiness to embark for home.

**SAVANNAH NAMES
A TIME LIMIT**

Troops will not be Received in the City from Cuba After April 15.

Savannah, March 17.—Mayor Myers said today that no troops from Cuban ports would be allowed to come to Savannah after April 15, fifteen days before the regular quarantine. He said, however, he would not object to bringing soldiers to Port Pulaski, at the mouth of the river, and keeping them there while their clothing was fumigated.

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AND POTS** from 45c up to \$2.00 each. New pattern. J. H. Law, 35 Patton avenue.

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Scientifically
Blended and
Roasted.

It makes a De-
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On the Square

**GOOD NEWS
FROM OTIS**

Expects Satisfactory Termination of Philippine War
in About Three
Weeks.

Washington, March 17.—Most gratifying information regarding the Philippine insurrection was received from General Otis today. The most important statement was Otis' expression of confidence that with a continuance of successes the military situation would develop a satisfactory termination in about three weeks. Otis said he had cut Aguinaldo's army squarely in two, and was pushing each division back.

Half a dozen ocean going tugs will probably be sent Dewey from the Pacific coast in compliance with his oft-repeated request.

**IN URGENT ATTACK
AND ARE DRIVEN BACK.**

Manila, March 18.—The insurgents north of the city advanced from their trenches late yesterday and attacked McArthur's centre. The Utah battery, the Third artillery and the Tenth Pennsylvania drove the enemy back. Three of the Tenth Pennsylvania were wounded. A Filipino soldier who has been captured, states that the rebel forces north of Manila number 4,000. The main army of 10,000 men is concentrated at Maholos, the insurgent capital.

REOCCUPY TAYTAY.

Manila, March 17.—The insurgents have reoccupied the site of Taytay village, which the Americans captured and burned yesterday. One hundred of the Twenty-third infantry were towed on barges today by one of the improvised gunboats from Pasig across Laguna de Bay to Binangonan, which place was shelled. Our lines were comparatively quiet today, though there was some firing on the front by the Tenth Pennsylvania. General Lawton will relieve General Anderson in command of the brigade of regulars. The latter will return to the United States.

**TREATY RATIFIED
BY SPAIN'S QUEEN.**

Madrid, March 17.—The queen regent today ratified the peace treaty. It is understood the government has decided not to publish the decree relating to the signing in the official gazette.

**THE THREE MILLIONS
ARRIVE AT HAVANA.**

Havana, March 17.—The transport Meadow, conveyed by the cruiser Chicago, arrived this morning with \$3,000,000 to pay the Cuban troops.

OPPORTUNITY.

FOR THE PEOPLE OF ASHEVILLE.
I have made up my mind to go to Porto Rico. I will close out my entire stock at 25 per cent. less than cost. Clothing, goods, furniture, hats and underwear, merchant tailor's cloth and cloth for ladies' tailor made suits, also store pictures. Entire stock must go. I. W. GLASER, 34 South Main street, Asheville.

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Buffalo
and
Lincoln
Lithia Water, al-
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"The Paragon."**

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Night Bell at Side Door.

**PERPETUAL
OVERDRAFT**

Testimony Submitted
Yesterday in Dick-
erson Trial.

The Director's Accounts
from Early in the
Year 1896.

Same Record of Check Trans-
fer and Overdrafts Month
After Month.

Summary of Transactions of Dick-
erson as J. E. Dickerson, J. E. Dick-
erson & Co. and the Asheville
Working Company.

The entire morning session of the Dickerson trial yesterday was taken up with the testimony of S. T. Dorsett as to the account of J. E. Dickerson and J. E. Dickerson & Co., with the First National bank. The examination of the government covered the period from May 1, 1896, up to the failure of the bank, and showed that during that time these accounts were overdrawn almost constantly.

The status of the accounts during May, June, July, August, September, January, February, March and April, 1897, was given during the morning.

The number of items involved in a single month may be judged by the following, which shows the accounts for February, 1897:

February 1, he withdrew \$2, overdraft, \$2,454; February 2, withdrew \$126.87, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,057; February 3, withdrew \$69; overdraft, \$2,250, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,040; February 4, withdrew \$2, overdraft, \$2,400, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,040; February 6, withdrew \$123; overdraft, \$2,523; February 8, withdrew \$200; overdraft, \$2,623, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,132; February 9, he withdrew \$55, overdraft, \$2,583, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,116; February 10, he withdrew \$50; overdraft, \$2,533, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,199.59; February 13, withdrew \$151 and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,172; February 15, withdrew \$35; February 16, \$224, and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose account was overdrawn \$2,808; February 17, withdrew \$1; overdraft, \$2,810; February 18, withdrew \$50 and deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose overdraft was \$3,571; February 20, withdrew \$2; overdraft, \$2,762; February 23, withdrew \$23, overdraft, \$2,766; February 24, withdrew \$142, deposited \$100, a check by J. E. Dickerson & Co., whose over-

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