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TERRIFIC GASOLINE EXPLOSION AT ST. LOUIS--A FAMILY BLOWN INTO ETERNITY.

Only One Inmate of the Building Escapes--The Thrilling Story of Her Release.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 1.—A flash followed by a dull roar, and then the crash of walls convulsed the center of this city at two o'clock this morning, and the clatter that followed carried the rumor of a horrible calamity that had befallen three families while wrapped in slumber. An explosion of gasoline in the rear of the cellar of Michael Newman, grocery store, No. 13, South Fourteenth street, had lifted the two-story building from its foundation and dropped it back again in mass beneath which were buried over a dozen persons. They were, Michael Newman, aged 52 years; Mrs. Annie Newman, aged 40 years; Miss Mamie Newman, aged 16 years; Nellie Newman, aged 15 years; Kate Newman, aged 11 years; Eddie Newman, aged 13 years; Charles Devere, Mrs. Charles Devere, Miss Hattie Brown, of Columbus, Ky. Bruised about the lower limbs were Charles Efferd, Miss Patty Bryant, and Mrs. Beasley.

The explosion had scarcely wrecked the place before a devastating fire swept through the ruins. Aid was quickly on the scene, but in such confusion that the horror seemed to increase with their efforts to relieve the imprisoned victims. The people of the neighborhood were dumb-founded, many were bruised, and none in their normal state. They ran about the streets seeking friends, demanding explanations or mourning from bruises. The heat of flames that had swept down upon the ruins baffled the efforts of firemen, who had begun the first systematic work, and for a few minutes bid fair to spread in adjoining property, but good work won and then began searching for the dead.

The store was on corner of an alley running through from Fourteenth to Forgee street, and was the North room of the building covering No. 2, 7, 9, and 11 Fourteenth street. The building, a two-story brick, was completed but a short time ago, and only one store room was occupied. Mr. Newman and his family of seven lived over the store. The force of the explosion was terrific. The entire block of buildings north of and across the alley from the building in which the explosion took place were gutted by the blast. The Newman block crushed in, was covered by the roof which had settled down upon the ruins and formed a barrier through which the rescuers had to cut their way. Beams and walls impeded their progress, and the threatening walls on either side overhung ready to crush the gallant men who hastened to the spot where the calls for help directed them. The roof was soon removed, and in the debris, were revealed the mangled forms of every one of the family. Two girls, Newman's daughters, were removed. Mamie, 19 years of age, was still alive, but so mangled from the timbers and charred by the fire that she was beyond the hope of recovery. Her sister Nellie, a girl of 15 years, moaned piteously for her sister. For the half-hour that these two had been imprisoned their efforts had been to draw near each other when they saw that escape was impossible.

Neither can survive. The rest of the Newman family were dead. Some sat upright and others were doubled in their beds. Life had evidently fled while they were wrapped in slumber. In the same building, over store No. 9, lived Charles Devere, traveling salesman, and his wife. Visiting them was Miss Hattie Brown

of Columbus, Ky. She was badly injured but miraculously escaped death. She is the only person who passed through the terrible ordeal and lives to tell the story of her escape.

She awoke to find herself buried beneath heavy timbers somewhere against the wall. She was unable to tell where she was thrown; but when her eyes opened she beheld the thrilling scene that had all the effects of a horrible dream. On one side a wall of fire reached to the sky, while crashing timbers and the clatter of iron caused a storm of dangerous missiles to fly about her head. The screams of those in the adjoining building rang on her ears, and as she realized her situation, she almost fainted. But nerved to a last desperate struggle by the groans of the dying she essayed to escape but found her efforts battled at every turn. She was firmly pinned by a beam across her thigh and an iron rod over one ankle. She could not tell what means she employed to get out; but as she twisted and struggled in vain, the fire was blown toward her until her large black tresses were scorched, the odor of burning meat penetrated her lungs and almost suffocated the brave girl. Relief appeared hopeless; just as she sank back in despair, the ruins settled down and the overhanging timbers were raised from the limbs which were fettered in deadly embrace. No time was to be lost, as the fire pressed close around her. With extraordinary effort, Miss Brown sprang to her feet and staggering, falling she made her way blindly through the ruins. Again and again she fell, and, as she says, her strength was completely exhausted and she stumbled forward, falling headlong into an open place where she lay unconscious for a few minutes. She was restored by the cool breeze; that brought blood to her brain and she again rose to her feet only to find herself in the comparative safety of a small rear yard. Then she ran to a neighbor's house and climbing through the balcony, sank down in a swoon. The neighbor found her there and carried her into the street where she was given a skirt, and some clothing. She paid no attention to the kind offers of fried hands, but went down to the scene of the explosion and remained there in agony, scanning the charred and bruised forms as the firemen brought the victims from the huge mass of splintered matter.

Over the store room No. 11 resided Mrs. Bryant with her daughter, Miss Patty. With them were two boarders, Charles Efferd and Mrs. Beasley. The last named were buried so deeply in the debris that the search for her was given up until the others were removed. Charles Efferd was taken out alive, but he died on the way to the hospital. Miss Bryant was bruised, but her injuries are not dangerous. An unknown man of 40 years was found in the debris and removed to the morgue.

Besides these injured in this building, many persons in the neighborhood were more or less cut and bruised by flying splinters and bricks. For several blocks on either side of the street, the concussion shattered windows, and in the immediate vicinity and on the opposite side of the way the fronts of buildings were mashed in by the terrible force, and scarcely a window or door remains. Walls cracked, floors gave way and plaster fell in almost every house within a radius of one hundred yards, and on the heads of sleeping residents, startling them and causing a mad rush and flight to the street. The scene of terror on the streets was increased by the ghastly glare of the consuming flames, and fig-

ures wildly running and gesticulating, robed only in night dresses, vividly told the dread uncertainty and fright that had seized the community. The din was enhanced by the rumble of ambulances and the thumping of the fire engines. A little while and human nature asserted itself, and the organized efforts of the city were of avail. The ambulance service was excellent. Wagons sent to the scene brought skilled attendants and many physicians were ready when their services could be used. Nothing was spared to relieve the sufferers. As they were removed from the debris they were taken immediately to the Dispensary. The police soon had control of the crowd and vandals had no opportunity to ply their trade. The firemen worked at the falling buildings regardless of the adjacent walls which towered with impending danger. With daylight comes word that all the victims have been removed.

A corrected list of the dead and wounded by the explosion gives eight dead and three wounded seriously. Six others who lived in the building reported missing have been found either injured or slightly bruised. Five of the Newman family are dead. Mamie is horribly mangled and burned and beyond all hope of recovery. Nellie lies in a terrible condition but may recover. Charles N. Devere and wife and Mrs. Agnes Beasley are dead. Miss Hattie Bryant is badly bruised. There are many theories as to the accident, but none are satisfactory. The mob which press around the scene excitedly talk of Anarchists and their dynamite, but men of sense discountenance this idle prattle. The general belief is that escaping gas filled the cellar and that Mr. Newman kept a quantity of kerosene oil and gasoline in the cellar near where the explosion evidently took place. The rapidity of fire and fumes while it burned indicate this. The vessel and oil, if there was any, have been destroyed and the only man that knows is dead. Escaping gas theory is supported however, by the store boy who says that he noticed during the afternoon yesterday a strong smell of gas and before shutting up the store for the night at 7:30 o'clock he went through the building looking for an open burner. He did not visit the cellar. The tremendous force of the explosion is the cause of the great doubt as to this explanation. A great crowd lingers about the place but the work of rescuers is over.

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North Carolina Governors.

North Carolina had six Governors under the Crown. It has twenty-seven under the Constitution, beginning with Richard Caswell in 1776, who were elected by our General Assembly. Of these Caswell, Alexander, Martin and Benjamin Williams were elected for two terms. The Convention of 1835 transferred the election of Governor from the Legislature to the people, and since that time we have had fifteen, who were regularly elected by the popular vote, and five who were ex-officio Governors, and one Provisional Governor, appointed by the President. Governor Vance is the only one of the forty-two, regularly elected by the Assembly and people, who was elected for three terms. But one, Richard Dobbs Spaight, Sr., had a son to attain to this distinguished position. Five of these counties, Craven, Guilford, Halifax, Warren and Baucombe, furnished occupants for the Governor's chair, each, three terms, and eight counties, Lenoir, Chowan, New Hanover, Moore, Mecklinburg, Orange, Wake and Rockingham, for two terms each.

North Carolina has furnished to other States fifteen Governors, three Presidents, two Vice-Presidents, fourteen United States Senators and forty-one members of lower House of Congress. John K. Steele, who became Governor of New Hampshire in 1844 was born in Salisbury in 1792 and is said that he was a shoe maker, and when he left his native town he started on foot, carrying a bag containing some cobblers' tools. Andrew Johnston was born in the city of Raleigh and was raised on a tailor's bench. He went to Tennessee, was subsequently member of the Legislature of that State, a member of both houses of Congress, Governor of the State, Vice-President of the United States, and finally President.—Progressive Farmer.

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