

The Elkin Times.

ELKIN, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1898.

ELKIN'S BIG FIRE.

Loss Estimated to be About \$22,750.00.

ORIGIN OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

Five Stores, The Elk Inn, Post Office, A. G. Click's Residence, J. F. Hendren's Law Office Consumed.

About 12 o'clock last night the cry of fire was raised and the people of Elkin awoke to find that the Post Office block was burning; when first discovered the fire was only a small blaze on the east side of the store house occupied by J. H. Haynes, grocer, and Wm. Gilliam, harness and saddles; the blaze appears to have been on the outside of building, about six feet from the ground.

The church bells of Elkin and Jonesville rang out the alarm and the entire community was soon at the scene, but the building was a frame one, and the water supply was not good, and the flames spread through the building with fearful rapidity, and could not be checked; in the same building was the Post Office, Baily & Co's Grocery store, and Dr. J. M. Reece's Drugs, all on the lower floor, while the upper floor was occupied by Mr. John Childers, who kept a boarding house; Mr. Childers and wife and the boarders hardly escaped with their lives. There was nothing saved out of Post Office, or Dr. J. M. Reece's Drugs, but Baily & Co. saved a small part of their stock of goods. From this building the fire spread to the buildings on the east side occupied by J. F. Hendren, T. M. Butner, and N. W. Fowler; on the west side the fire consumed the store house occupied by Weir and Ball, together with most of their stock of goods; then the dwelling of A. G. Click was consumed and also about half of Mr. Click's Furniture.

The Elk Inn opposite the Post Office building by this time was ablaze despite the most heroic efforts of the brave men who fought for every inch, but were compelled to let it go; the hotel sample room and Dr. J. W. Ring's Drug Store quickly fell before the fearful blaze. J. S. Bell's store and Hubbard & Bell's Hardware store were only saved by almost superhuman efforts.

If the night had not been so very calm the loss would have been still heavier.

The several sufferers desire to heartily thank those who so willingly assisted them in saving what they did.

Below we give as accurate a list of the losses with amount of insurance carried as we can get before going to press.

John E. Childers lost all his household goods, loss \$300.

Mrs. N. V. Sheppard, storehouse; loss \$1,000; no insurance.

J. W. Gilliam, stock of harness; loss \$600; insurance \$300.

J. H. Haynes, groceries; loss \$400; insurance, \$250.

B. Woodruff, shoe tools; loss \$50, no insurance.

W. E. Paul, Office building; loss \$250, no insurance.

T. M. Butner, Jeweler; loss \$100; no insurance.

J. F. Hendren, lawyer; loss \$150; insurance \$400.

N. W. Fowler, storehouse building; loss \$1,000; insurance \$750.

N. W. Fowler, stock of goods; loss \$2,500; insurance \$750, stock partly saved.

C. H. Gwyn, Hotel, loss \$5,000; no insurance.

J. W. Ring, drug store building and stock; loss \$2,000; no insurance; stock partly saved.

A. G. Click, dwelling; loss \$2,500, insurance \$1,750 on dwelling; \$500 on furniture.

W. H. Rounsaville; storehouse; loss \$750, no insurance.

Weir & Ball, saved stock, but badly damaged; no insurance.

Elkin Cornet band, instruments; loss \$150; no insurance.

A. G. Click, storehouse; loss \$1,500; no insurance.

Post Office, stamps, etc; loss \$200; books saved.

Baily & Co., dry goods etc; loss \$2,900; insurance \$500.

J. M. Reece, lost stock drugs, \$200; no insurance.

Governor Bob Taylor, of Tennessee, will lecture in Winston on the night of April 2nd. He will come under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

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