TACOMA FIRE
LOSES HEAVY
DESTRUCTION of John B. Stevens & Co. Warehouse Causes $100,000 Damage.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 19.—The Tacoma police headquarters and the Stevens & Co. warehouse on the waterfront were destroyed at 11 a.m. today.

The fire, which was reported to have started at 11:00 a.m., spread quickly and by 11:30 a.m. the warehouse was completely destroyed.

The cause of the fire is not yet known, but it is believed to have been an accident.

Safe Cacher Alliance is captured from Portland

Would-Be Burglar Caught in "Frisco Thought Prominent

Seattle Man, (By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—The name of John Benedict Brough, who was trying to crack a safe in a prominent hotel, has been announced by the police. The man and his accomplices were detained at the hotel and later turned over to the police.

The hotel was the scene of a burglary attempt yesterday afternoon, but the police were able to catch the thieves in the act.

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San Francisco, Dec. 18.—The clothes and personal property of the late Mr. John J. N. Baldwin, were turned over to the authorities by the coroner.

Mr. Baldwin was a well-known merchant in the city and was one of the leading citizens of the town.

The clothing and personal property was found in the house of Mr. Baldwin.

Rogers Once Prominent Resident

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Rogers was once prominent resident of this city, but later moved to Los Angeles, where he was well known.

He was a merchant and was active in business.

The police have taken possession of the property and are now looking into the matter.

Joint Turned Down

Chairman Tower Declines Challenge From Traveler

There will be no joint debate between the two candidates for the office of Mayor.

"I shall not attend," said Mr. Tower, when asked if he would accept the challenge.

Mr. Tower said that he had not heard of the challenge and had no intention of accepting it.

The challenge was accepted by Mr. Ellis, who said that he would be glad to debate with Mr. Tower.

However, Mr. Ellis said that he had not heard of the challenge and was unaware of the matter.

Chairman Tower declined to accept the challenge, saying that he had not heard of it and did not wish to participate in the debate.

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