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THE RAVEN MANTLE FIRE BRINGS DEATH

Celebrated Stand May go to
Columbia University.

Fatal Blaze in San Francisco
Causes Much Damage.

KEEN CONTEST FOR MEMENTO

DESTROYED SEVERAL FLATS

Literary and Educational Institutions
Vie for Notable Mantle Before Which
Edgar Allen Poe Sat as he Wrote His
Masterpiece—Offers it to Institution.

Almost Costs the Lives of Fifty Resi-
dents of Italian Quarter of Bay City
—Charred Body of Little Boy Found
in the Ruins.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—It is now al-
most certain that the "Raven" mantle
before which Edgar Allen Poe sat when
he wrote his masterpiece will go to
Columbia University and find a place of
honor in Hamilton Hall. The keen con-
test for this notable memento of the
great poet, in which many of the liter-
ary and educational institutions have
vied has now been narrowed down to
Wm. Hemstreet of 1332 Bergen street,
Brooklyn, the owner of the mantle, to
Columbia University and the Hamilton
Club of Brooklyn. Among the ap-
plicants for the mantle were the Uni-
versity of Virginia, Poe's alma mater;
the Franklin Club, the Literary organi-
zation of Philadelphia, headed by Dr. S.
Weir Mitchell; the Museum of Nor-
wich Free Academy, Norwich, Conn.,
and the Bronx Society of Arts and
Sciences, the American Science and His-
tory Preservation Society, and the Poe
Society, all of New York.

Mr. Hemstreet offered the mantle to
some public institution which would
probably preserve it. Columbia is in
the neighborhood of Poe's old home on
84th street, where "The Raven" was
written. Mr. Hemstreet bought the relic
in 1888, when the house of the late Wm.
Brennan, father-in-law of General
James R. O'Brien was being torn down.
This temporary home of Poe stood on
84th street between Amsterdam avenue
and Broadway.

MORMON MISSIONARIES.

Will Spread the Gospel of the Church
In England.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—A band of 24
Mormon missionaries, bound for Eu-
rope, where they will spread the gospel
of the church of the Latter Day Saints,
arrived in Chicago from Salt Lake City
yesterday and decided to remain here
long enough to inspect the city's fa-
mous slaughter houses and cattle pens.
William Tarbel and Thomas Hogley,
in charge of the missionaries, say they
will make no attempt to convert cow
punchers and butchers. The party,
which is traveling in a special car, left
Salt Lake City Saturday. The members
will leave Chicago today for Portland,
Maine, whence they will sail for Liver-
pool.

There they will report to Apostle
Penroe, who will assign them to mis-
sions in England, Scotland, Denmark
and Sweden. No women are in the
band, although all except four of the
members of the expedition are married.

GOTHAM HAS GROWN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Comptroller
Metz. in a review yesterday on the
growth of the city in the ten years
since consolidation said that the as-
sessed valuations of real estate owned
by the people had advanced from \$2,
522,416 in 1898 to \$6,240,480,002 in 1907.

TEA

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Fire that
brought death of Charles Figone, eight
years old, fatal injury to Louis Figone,
16 years of age and almost cost the
lives of 50 others broke out in the coal
yard of Antonia Figone, 1628 Stockton
street, early this morning and caused
damage to the extent of \$50,000. The
charred body of the victim was found
after the firemen had extinguished the
blaze on the first landing of the build-
ing.

When the fire started Mrs. Dominico
Divinbenzi, who lives in the rear of the
Figone home, was crowded out of a
second story window by her daughter,
Mary, and fatally burned and injured.
She is at the receiving hospital. The
daughter has not been found, and at an
early hour this morning the police were
not certain as to whether she had per-
ished or not. The fire spread rapidly
and destroyed six flats on the corner of
Filbert and Stockton streets, the prop-
erty of Mrs. P. Ferrar, also a saloon
belonging to Mrs. Bricci and three flats
on Filbert street, the property of
Ingatio Lassoli.

FINANCES BAD.

Affairs of Mutual Life Insurance Com-
pany in Bad Shape.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Supt. Otto
Kelsey, of the state insurance depart-
ment, announced today that he received
the report of Nelson B. Hadley and
Chas. Hughes, examiners in his depart-
ment, giving the result of their exami-
nations into the condition and affairs of
the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co.
"The report," says Mr. Kelsey, in a
statement, "discloses a serious impair-
ment of matters included in said report and
pending his consideration of matters in-
cluded in said report and papers trans-
mitted to him in connection therewith,
such report of the department examiners
is withheld from public inspection."

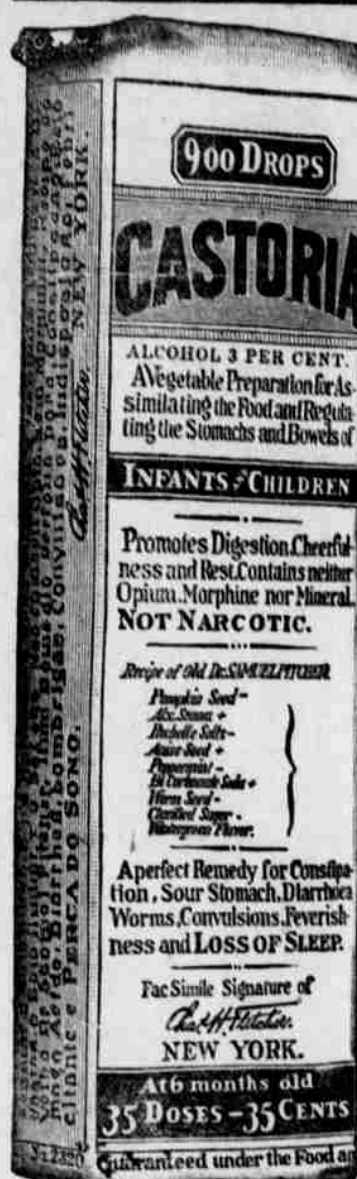
SAFETY DEVICES.

Union Pacific Spends Couple of Million
For Improvements.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—A total of \$2,
000,000 spent in the installation of
safety devices with a view to lessening
the possibility of accident is the record
of the Union Pacific for the past 12
months. The road also announces that
in accidents on its lines during the past
year 105 were killed and 1104 injured.
The management explains that careful
statistics are kept of every casualty and
that these are studied carefully with a
view to adopting measures to prevent
accidents recurring with a like cause. A
system of tests has been inaugurated
with a view to determining the degree
of watchfulness of employees.

A school of instructions under a
board of examiners passes over the
lines every six months drilling both new
and old employees in the operating rules
and teaching them self-reliance and
prompt action in emergency as well as
close application to duty. In every ac-
cident of last year, it is stated, em-
ployees found to be guilty of negligence
were either discharged or severely dis-
ciplined.

As against the 105 killed and 1104
injured in 1907, figures for 1906 show
114 killed and 1983 injured. The de-
crease is made to appear even better by
the statement that during the year there
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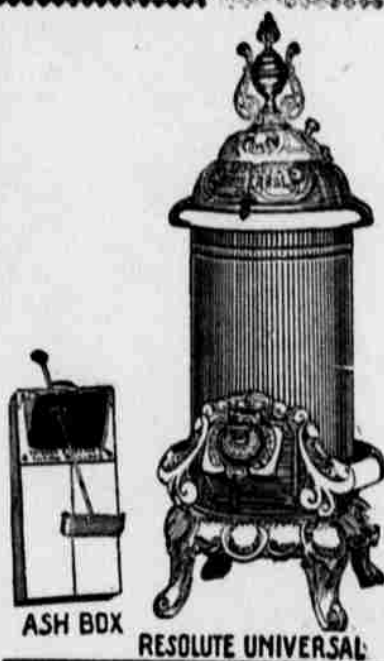
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vescent.
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