

A BAD FIRE AT SALEM

Industrial Building of State Reform Burns—No Lives Lost; No One Hurt.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 18.—The industrial building of the State Reform School, about three miles from here, was destroyed by fire between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning. No one was injured. The loss will reach \$25,000; insurance, \$8000. For a time it seemed as if all the reform school buildings would be destroyed.

The fire was discovered in the engine-room. Superintendent Bickers says he has no idea how the fire started. The engine-room is on the first floor of the industrial building, and in the same room is the boiler for the steam-heating plant and the dynamo for the electric light plant. A night watchman is employed at the building, and the fire was discovered by him before it had made great headway. Without the aid of the fire-fighting apparatus, which was cut off by the fire, no attempt could be made to fight the fire in the industrial building, and it was only by heroic work that the fire was prevented from spreading to the main building. The Salem fire department responded promptly to the call for aid, but the fire was under control before its arrival. Telephone communication with the school was not interrupted, but, owing to the excitement, few details are obtainable. There are about 120 boys confined in the institution, and about twelve employes live at the main building. The work of the institution will be seriously hampered until the damage can be repaired.

Up to 3 o'clock this morning, no attempt had been made by the reform school boys to take advantage of the confusion and make their escape. When it is stated that the industrial building was only thirty feet from the main building, the heroism of the officers and pupils fighting the fire can be understood.

Marvelous as are many of the mighty office buildings in the great cities of America, the new Broad Exchange, which is now going up in New York, will surpass them all. In this remarkable structure twenty passenger elevators will carry up and down 80,000 people per day, or 25,000,000 people per year. In population the new Broad Exchange building will have 22,000 souls. Upward of 24,000,000 pounds of structural steel will be used in the building of its huge skeleton, and its walls will consume 10,000,000 brick, 600,000 square feet of fireproof arches and 1,200,000 square feet of plaster. Two miles of marble corridors will facilitate internal locomotion. While it is in process of construction 4,000 men will be employed upon it continuously for one year. The building will weigh 180,000,000 pounds and will be the largest structure of its kind in the world.

An interesting coin has just been sold in Germany. It is one of the few coins in the history of the world which can be accused of having a humorous side to it. In 1679 the Danes descended on the port of Hamburg, but their attack on the famous Hanse town proved unsuccessful. The inhabitants of the town struck a medal to commemorate the occasion. The legend on the coin was as follows: "The King of Denmark has been to Hamburg. If thou wouldst know what he achieved, look on the other side." It is needless to add that "the other side" is a blank.

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DEMAND A FAIR DEAL

Schley's Friends in Congress are Pushing the Issue.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Representative Wheeler, of Kentucky, has introduced a resolution to investigate the conduct of Rear-Admiral Schley from the time he took command of the flying squadron up to and including the destruction of the Spanish fleet, July 3, 1898. It recites the action of the court of inquiry and declares the American people desire an investigation by citizens not connected with the navy department.

Representative Mudd, of Maryland, also introduced a resolution relative to Admiral Schley, as follows:

"Resolved, That the thanks of congress and of the American people are hereby tendered to Rear-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley and the officers and men under his command for their victory over the Spanish forces and the destruction of the Spanish fleet in the naval battle off Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 1898."

Mr. Mudd says the resolution is not the result of any concerted action by the Maryland delegation, and represents his individual views.

Mr. Cooper's resolution declared Schley in command entitled to credit for the victory at Santiago, and directed that he be placed on the active list with the rank he held before retirement.

Mr. Vandiver's resolution recites the finding of the court of inquiry reflecting on Admiral Schley, and calls for an investigation by seven members of the house, which shall investigate what injustice has been done and whether envy, jealousy, rivalry or other factional feelings exist among naval officers and what remedy should be applied.

Pope Says "I Am Not Yet Dead."

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A dispatch from Rome to the Paris Temps, quoted by the correspondent of the New York Times and London Times in the French capital, describes an interview with the Pope, in which His Holiness complained against the false reports in regard to his health. "You see," the Pope said, "that it is not all over with me. I work six or eight hours a day, and my work is not easy, for it embraces the whole church. Please say that I am not yet dead."

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