

POOR DOCUMENT

imilarly succumbed, but in a different

dwelling. "One family lost nine members from consumption. The first death occurred in 1847 and the last in 1890. Several others in this family Lad the disease but moved out of town. It is shocking to realize the loss caused by one dis-ease in this family group. Consider the effect on the temperament of the sur-vivors, as well as the financial loss. Constant illness prevented accumula-tion of capital even though the family was frugal.

was frugal. "Another family lost "Another family lost seven members in twenty-six years. A mother died in 1847, the father in 1856, to be followed by one daughter, who lived in the same house, and in 1833 by another daugh-ter, who had moved, and in 1869 by an-other daughter, who had also moved. These five deaths occurring in three houses took place within twenty-two years. This family was in far better circumstances than those in which the deaths came close together. "Contrast the rapidity of deaths in these last three families with that of the two preceding. In one series we have 'tenement-house consumption,' with 5 deaths in four years; in the latter, 'farmhouse consumption,' with 5 deaths in nineteen years, 9 deaths in forty-three years, and 5 deaths in twenty-two years. Other family his-tories might be cited, but they do not differ essentially.

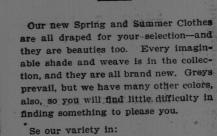


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differ essentially. "During the last ten years 52 deaths from consumption in the town have oc-curred in 43 families. In each of 38 fam-ilies there was 1 death, in one family there were 5 deaths, in another 3, and in 3 families 2 deaths each. In 10 of these families the total number of deaths from consumption since 1844 was 32. When one realizes the increased knowledge which is now possessed concerning the dis-ease, it seems incredible that such a state of affairs should be allowed to ex-ist."

BRIEF DESPATCHES.

(To be continued.)

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., March 25. — Mrs. Mollie Hill Gibson, divorced wife of Elmer Gibson, a real estate dealer, was shot and probably fatally injured today on an inter-urban car by Peter Clark, an insurance agent. The shoot-ing is said to be the result of a scan-dal in the choir of the First Christian Church of Girard, Ills. Clark shot five times at Mrs. Gibson, three bul-lets entering her head and one pierc-ing an arm. Clark surrendered to of-ficers at Virden, Ills. As a result of the choir scandal in which Clark and Mrs. Gibson were al-leged to be implicated two years ago, Gibson and Mrs. Clark procured a di-vorce.

GREENFIELD, Ind., March 25. GREENFIELD, Ind., March 25. — Twenty-four persons were injured, some seriously, and a two story build-ing, occupied by a five cent theatre with moving pictures, was wrecked tonight by an explosion of o natural gas used to heat the building. About 200 persons were in the theatre at the time of the explosion and in the panie that followed men, women and child-ren rushed for the doors, trampling on one another.

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