HUNDREDS HAVE NOT BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR The Already Terrible Death List Resulting

## From Chicago Fire May Be Augmented --- Many Injured Will Die.

women whose clothing was completely torn from their bodies above the waist

whose bosoms had been trampled

a pulp and whose faces were marred

In the first and second balconie

Chicago, Dec. 30 .- Over five hundred ( more and more heartrending; there we people were killed in ten minutes this afternoon during a fire in the Iroquois theatre, the newest, the largest and as far as human power could make it, the yond all hope of identification. safest theatre in Chicago, A few of those people were burned to death by bodies were piled up in the aisles three and four deep, where one had fallen fire, many were suffocated by gas and panic that followed the mad plunge of the frightened audience for the exits. The accounts of the origin of the fire are conflicting but the bar and talien and, others tripped over the prostrate forms. All had died where they lay, evi-dently. Sufficiented by Gre

are conflicting, but , the best reason given is that an electric wire on the Others were bent over the backs of seats where they had been thrown by tower part of a piece of drop scenery suddenly broke and was grounded. The the rush of people for the doors, and killed with hardly a chance to rise from fire spread rapidly toward the front of the stage, causing the members of the their seats. One man was found with of men, women and child his back hent nearly double his spinal ing towards the theatre. column had been fractured as he was performance, to flee to the wings with screams of terror. The fire in itself thrown backwards. A woman was found cut nearly in half by the back of the up to that time was not serious, and possibly could have been checked had seat, she having been forced over it. not the asbestos curtain failed to work. As soon as the fire was discovered Ed-In the aisles nearest to the doors the scenes were harrowing in the extreme die Foy, the chief comedian of the com-Bodies lay in every conceivable attitude, pany, shouted to lower the curtain, and half naked, the look on their faces re ped half way and then stuck. The fire thus was given practically a flue had been trampled completely off by the ugh which a strong draught was setting, aided by the doors, which had heels of those who rushed over them, been thrown open in the front of the and in one aisle the body of a man was found with not a vestige of clothin theatre. With a roar and a bound the flames set through the opening over the flesh or bone remaining above the waist heads of the people on the first floor, line. The entire upper portion of his and, reaching clear up to those in the body had been cut in two and carried first balcony, caught them and away by the feet of those who had

Burned Them to Death

trampled on him. A search was made with the hope of finding the head, but where they sat. Immediately following this rush of flames there came an ex-and all that will ever tell his friend plosion, which lifted the entire roof of who he was is the color and appearance the theatre from its walls, shattering the of the clothing on the lower limbs, and great skylight into fragments. As soon this is in such a condition to be hardly as the flames appeared beyond the currecognizable. , a man in the rear of the hall shout-The theatre had been constructed but ed, "Fire! Fire!" and the entire audishort time, and its equipment was one person and made for not all yet in place. This included, unthe doors.

fortunately, a fire escape in the rear believed that the explosion was of the building. The small iron bal-conies to which the iron ladder was to caused by the flames coming in contact with the gas reservoirs of the theatre, be attached were up, but the ladder had ing them to burst. not yet been constructed. When the

Will J. Davis, manager of the theatre, panic was at its height a great numsaid after the catastrophe that if the ber of women ran for the fire escapes people had remained in their seats and only to find as they emerged from the had not been excited by the cry of fire doorway upon the little platform that they were thirty to forty feet from the not a single life would have been lost. This, however, is contradicted by the ground, a fire behind and no method statements of firemen, who found: numbers of people seated, in their seats facing toward the stage, as if the performance was still going on, and it is the opinion of the going on, and it is the flooring and to keep the crowd that opinion of the firemen that these effort was utterly useless, and in a few sons had been suffocated at once by the flow of gas which came from behind with crowds of women who screamed the asbestos curtain.

fought and tore at each other like As near as can be estimated at the maniacs. This lasted but a brief interpresent time, about 1.300; people were in the theatre. Three hundred of these were on the first floor, and the remainval, and the rush from the interior of the building became so violent that many of them were crowded off and fell being in the balconies and in the to the granite payement below. Others hallways back of them. The theatre Leaped From the Platform, s modelled after the Opera Comique in

Paris, and from the rear of each balcony | fracturing legs and arms, and two were there are three doors leading out to paspicked up at this point with fractured sageways toward the front of the the atre; two of these doorways are at the George H. Elliott, secretary of the

sed upon them from the rear. The

ments the iron ledges were jammed

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information is comple

The Overwhelming Tragedy

Still Dazed From the Horror

to convey, in all.

unietly. Then I stepped back and called for the asbestos curtain to be lowered. This curtain went about half way down and refused to go further, and thus an additional draught was created. This swept the flames out into the audience and I knew the theatre was doomed. I hurfled back to the stage and aided in getting the women members of the com-pany into the alley. Some of them were in their dressing rooms and were almost This curtain went about half way down and refused to go further, and thus an additional draught was created. This swept the flames out into the audience the theatre was downed. I with.

pauy into the alley. Some of them were in their dressing rooms and were almost overcome by smoke when they got down to the stage door. The simple fact that the curtain did not descend entirely was what saved half the lives of the com-pany, a though it caused the horrible catastrophe in the front of the house. After the curtain had refused to descend there came the explosion of the gas tanks, and with the curtain down all the fire and gas would have been confined between the rear wall of the theatre and the fireproof curtain in front. Unand the fireproof curtain in front. Un der these circumstances it would not have been possible for a single member of the company to escape alive unless he had been standing immediately in from had been standing immediately in front of the door leading into the alley. As was, the draught carried all the gas a large majority of them. and fire out beneath the curtain, and

the company was saved, although their say that the city is stunned by salvation was the death of so many poo Rarely in the history of Chicago has which housed "Mr. Bluebeard"

ts people been so stirred as by the calamity of to-day. It is, next to the hicago fire, the greatest catastrophe that has ever occurred here, and the day; deep sorrow in a thousand others, and and a pity beyond the power of words

Appall the Business Section of the city. The news spread with grea rapidity, and in a short time hundreds searching for their wives, wives search of men, women and children were rush ing for husbands, frenzied parents seek The building in which the calamity occurred stands midway between State

and Dearborn streets, on the north side of Randolph street. Although every available policeman within call of the department was imnediately hurried to the spot and men placed in lines from the ends of the block, allowing nobody to enter Ran-dolph street from either Dearborn or State, it was found for a time almost impossible to hold back the frenzied ob that crowded forward, many tem having a friend or relative in the heatre and being anxious to learn some thing of them. The conduct of the polic was beyond all praise. The officers held their ground firmly, and gently pushe back all who sought to gain an entrance

to the theatre, a though in instances frantic people anxious to look for their oved ones actually beat the officers with their fists in their rage at being pro enteu. In spite of the efforts of the oolice, however, a large number of peo ple succeeded in breaking through the nes and entering

Statement by Proprietors.

Chicago, Dec. 31 .- Will J. Davis and Harry J. Powers, proprietors of the Iroquois theatre, made the following statement at 1.20 this (Thursday) morn-

"So far as we have been able to ascer tain the cause or causes of the most un the future. fortunate accident of the fire in the Iroquois, it appears that one of the scen went around the morgues where the draperies was noticed to have ignited from some cause. It was detected befor t had reached an appreciable flame, and the city fireman who is detailed f escape in front. Those who reached stantly on duty when the theatre is open the platform first endeavored to hold ed, noticed it simultaneously with the men and women looking for those from outside cities who had been their guests. electrician. The fireman, who was only For hours they passed up and down be a few feet away, immediately pulled a tube of 'kilfire,' of which there wei ing for the faces of their missing many hung about the stage, and threw A party consisting of Mrs. the contents upon the blaze, which would have been more than enough if the 'kilold, and Willie, six years; fire' had been effective, and would have extinguished the flame, but for. some wick Wolfe, a millionaire bu cause it had no effect. The fireman and electrician then ordered down the asbes tos curtain and the fireman threw the contents of another tips of "kilfirs' mont ontents of another tube of kilfire upon morgues but failed to find trace of any the blaze, but with no better result. The

member of the party. commotion thus caused excited the audience, who immediately started for

wife and two daughters. He failed to find any trace of his two sons. Among many theatrical men, employe in the Chicago theatres, the Responsibility For the Fire was ascribed to-day to careless placing of the electric arc light apparatus too close to one of the hanging borders (Later Details.) Chicago, Dec. 31.-To-day brought of the scenery. The electrician of a lead only the legacy of yesterday's monn mental calamity and the prediction tha ing Chicago theatre expressed great su

the list of fatalities in the Iroquois theatre fire will run over six hundred rise on hearing that this was convider possible cause of the fire. "There ever would have been any fire," he said "if proper care had been exercised in handling the lights. The electric plant if proper care had been The latest statement of dead at the rious morgues is 564, and it is stated of the theatre was installed, as I happen at the various hospitals and hotels to which the injured were removed that of to know from personal observations, in rdance with every modern requ the 157 people who were injured, prob-ably one-third cannot live. nent for safety. The plant was not to dame. If the facts I have given are cor The missing to-day were estimated at 314, but it is expected that many of rect the whole blame rests on the perso who placed or was operating a light these would be accounted for, probably to the curtains.

ably lost in the fire his wife, two daugh-

ters and two sons. To-day Mr. Meeker

had partially identified the bodies of his

The failure of the expected fire protect It is no extravagance of language tion is attributed by insurance men to trouble with the asbestos curtain. The stage always is recognized as the danger oint in a theatre, and the desire is to which was enacted when the theatr have it cut off from the auditorium as roughly as possible. The insurance a chamber of horrors. There is the deepest wee in hundreds of homes to the nen declare that the curtain at the roquois never had worked perfectly, and that the mechanism had not been re Am josurance man declared to-day that

The first streak of daylight found the he loss would not exceed \$20,000. He orgues still the sorrow-baunted centre asserted that the of searchers ... There were husbands

Spread of the Flames to the auditorium was due to the failure

ing their children, so many of whom los of the asbestos curtain to work properly. their lives, and in some instances child Early last summer a prominent trade journal of Chicago criticised the construction of the Iroquois theatre, because it lacked a shaft or flue at the back of of their experience, groped distressedly the stage to carry the smoke and flames away from the auditorium in the event search of father or mother Possibly nothing could better typify of fire. Such shafts were built in Madi-son square garden and the Metropolitan of fire. pera house in New York, and a similar rovision is made at the Chicago audiby this magazine to be defective, becaus metal lath was used in what is known as

> It was the buckling out of this metal lath and iron rods giving the impression his warrant. that the galleries were falling that is be-lieved by some contractors to have been

Chief Musham, of the fire department was asked to day what would best prevent a repetition of the horror. He said 'I don't know, as I cannot answer that estion yet. I suppose it would be a good thing for the department to have active uniformed men prepared to act, stationed in every theatre through every performance. I understand New York has them, and that they are paid by man-I understand New York agements of the theatres. They had a man in the Iroquois who was an ex-mem ber of the Chicago fire department. He was old, but he should have known what It seems to me that there is noth ing in the world that can save lives when thousand persons try to pass through of the disaster lay. There were the one doorway at one time. It was the heads of families, brothers, sisters and rushing, the

> Crowding and the Trampling that was responsible for the majority of the deaths that have occurred

fore the long rows of the dead, search It was a cause of wonder how so many physicians and so many trained Luev Lurses could arrive on the spot within so Garn, her two children, Frank, 10 years short a time. Dr. Herman Spalding, senior official in the health department Wolfe, 10 years old, daughter of Lud arranged for medical attention ned to all the physicians in the and Miss Burke, a dressmaker, are miss own-town districts," he said, "and then Mr. Wolfe's entire family searchto hospital nurse associations and schools for persons to assist in the care of the injured. Employees telephoned to all the principal office buildings, and told the Graeme Stewart, Republican National officials at the switchboard to notify cian in the build whi

ephoned to the nurses.

The strongest castle could be re-duced by siege if the garrison could be starved wit. The strongest body

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ter results.



Cheaper to Import Than to Cut Logs---Local

Workmen Robbed of Employment

FAVORS ALIENS

**GOVERNMENT'S ACT** 

Nanaimo, Dec. 31 .- The secretary of ing timber. Consequently the company the British Columbia Logging & Lum- | could buy their logs much cheaper on the ber Company, which is about to cease other side than to log themselves. "There is certainly a nigger in the perations in the logging business on

wood pile somewhere, for it is a well ancouver Island in consequence of the new government schedule of royalty, has known fact that the Chemainus Lumber anded your correspondent the following Company own immense forests of the letter in reference to the article in yesfinest timber tracts on Vancouver Island. erday's Colonist under the heading of It is also well known that there are Scarcity of logs in British Columbia, hundreds of loggers out of employment, therefore, why should they be compelled the Chemainus mills obliged to import to import logs from the United States? large booms from the Puget Sound:" "It occurs to us that this is because "With reference to the above article the millmen of British Columbia can im-

ve are very much surprised to learn of port logs from the American side cheaper this from the fact that no less than than they can log them at home, all on twenty men recently employed in the account of the provincial government logging camps of the Chemainus Lumber Company have applied at our office making a mistake in passing a bill taking for work in our camp, and at the present | exporting logs in the place of importing time we believe there are at least a logs.

"We will sell our entire output to Mr. dozen of them working in our camp today. Upon having so many applicants | Palmer at \$6.50 per thousand feet. He. from their camps we inquired their can have the ten million feet he requires reason for leaving, whereupon they told to start with at that price, and twice us that their foreman had informed them that amount in due time. Our offices are torium. The method of fire proofing the that the Chemainus Lumber Company daily besieged with loggers requiring emwere compelled to close down No. 6 camp ployment."

> the commissioner of public works to prodreds of weeping women and children. E. C. F. Rady president of the Strorceed in the emergency Piano Co to-day after unceasing search, Without Restriction ound five dead of a theatre party of six, as to expense, and look to the council for headed by his wife. Each one was

> A telegram at once was found at a different morgue. sent to Mayor Harrison, and it is ex-A list of descriptions of unidentified pected that he will return from Okladead gir's was con oma at once office of Chief of Police O'Neill. Because of the disaster the gubernaages of the victims range from 9 to 21 torial campaign of Col. Frank I. Low-

> ears. The number of unidentified dead den will be temporarily postponed. One of the largest audiences ever seen girls on the list was 57. For several of the girls, the sole means of id in the Garrick theatre, which is on the same street as the Iroquois, less than one given was the color of bits of shoe laces and generally mentioned as block distant, sat in complete ignorance Others were scheduled as "burned beof the awful tragedy which was being yond description," "no age." enacted 200 feet from where they sat. When the fire engines commenced to pat-Sympathy From England.

ter past the Garrick, Manager Schubert London, Dec. 31 .- All the morning came fearful lest the impression that papers print editorials on the catastrophe his theatre was on fire should spread in in the Chicago fire, saying that it fills the audience. When the intermission bethe whole world with a feeling of pity tween the acts came he ordered the doors and sympathy for the victims, and proves losed, and refused to allow anyone to that even the most modern regulation pass in or out, so that no knowledge of and applications adopted as a precaution the fire should reach the audience. against such accidents are futile when When the people filed out of the Garpanic seizes an audience. The Daily rick they were greeted at the door by Telegraph sees the necessity for the

hundreds of Frantie Men and Women,

ent of rendering all scenery, gauze and who anxiously scanned their faces to properties non-inflammable see if any of their friends were am There were many scenes of joy-T. Ritchie, transmits through the Assoful recognition, and astonished member ciated Press the following: of the Garrick audience were hugged and kissed in frantic delight by their relaleep sympathy and sincers of tives, who up to that time had believed it possible that they were in the ghastly with the American people in the awful loss of life at the fire at Chicago pile of dead lying within the doors of the roquois theatre. of London.'

In the Northwestern University law All other topics were forgotten here in school, into which were taken many victims, Bishop Muldoon, finding that he and Rev. Father O'Brien were unable to were half-masted. There attend the great number brought in, an bounced that he would give a general DIED FROM WOUNDS. absolution to all the Catholics among the victims Telegraph Operator Succumbs to Injury Will J. Davis and Harry J. Powers. Caused By Accidental Discharge of Rifle, proprietors of the Iroquois theatre, made the following statement "As far as we have been able to ascertain the cause of Vancouver, Dec. 31 .- An Atlin telethe fire in the Iroquois, it appears that gram says F. B. Garrell, telegraph oper-

A. P. Luxton. Witness said he had be since 1896. He knew Alexa muir from 1895. He had bee at the Grand hotel then. ander Dunsmuir gave him told him he would not speak the office as he did not familiar with the employ the office Alexander Dunsn him as his own father. F ing of the office at 5 o'clock ss used to go errands for muir and Mrs. Wallace

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universal adoption of the plan which is-

The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Jas.

"The citizens of London offer their

"(Signed) James T. Richie, Lord Mayor

already largely employed on the contin

ander Dunsmuir and Mrs. went out to San Leandro. Dunsmuir used to walk arou and talk about the new showed witness Mrs. Walk Mrs. Hopper's room, and J muir's room. He went out day before Alexander Duns east. They used to take 1 He generally had dinner at dro, and probably did so the could not recollect whether ner upon the occasion he saw per there. Alexander Duns better health when Mrs. He there in 1899 than any ti Alexander Dunsmuir always any ordinary man. He nev-one falling down and don things for the amusement of Dunsmuir. He never saw Dunsmuir shuffle his feet. I seemed to be good. Theon the occasion when y Alexander Dunsmuir just b away in 1899, the latter se fairly, well. went out to San Leandro.

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Witness saw Mrs. Wallac she went away again. She when she came back in J

Cross-examined by E. V. C., witness said that he had do directly with Alexander the office. He saw him or Dunsmuir came into the ander Dunsmuir, while wi ander Dunsmuir, while with they at the Grand, did not clies to wait on him while on duty. He never carried ccept: between 5 and 7 in He would carry from one to tails up. Alexander Dunsn stagning, at the hottl at the dinner, about 7 o'clock, he up buttermilk, ovster loaf in buttermilk, oyster loaf a cocktail. He would somet digars or cigarettes. For dis moticed all bottle of ale bein

by the waiter. After witness went to wor ander 'Duasmuir in 1896 the to ask him how business wa much coal had been sold. Dunsmur had advised him right school. Witness at school for from one year months

months. After the guit attending in and worked until 7 or 7.30 i ing, witness used to call at at furnet time and go on an which Mirs. Wallace wished He used to see Alexander there guite frequently. Abo time he was up and dressed; the time he would be in bed After Alexander Dunsmuir to San Leandro witness wen

to San Leandro witness went two or three times a month days and on helidays. This April. Mrs. Wallace often walked place with him. They alwa about the house. They very to the reservoir. Questioned as to the numb hey visited the site of the witness would only reply the many times. Mr. Bodwell asked if we over said to Mrs. Hopper the not give evidence for her f losing his job with R. Pansan "That's a lie, I never said witness.

"That's a lie, I never said "That's a lie, I never said witness." Continuing, he said Judge Mrs. Hopper sent for him in 1901, and wanted to make ou Dunsmuir was of unsound n ness saw them at the San Witness told them nothing. him everything. He saw th They wanted to make out y muir was crazy. Witness co what they wanted. Witness ' a letter and they did not w him as a witness, he though not because he was afraid of job that he wrote the letter." Questioned as to why he w fer when he had already told he could not say that Mrs. was of unsound mind, witne did not know why he wrote Coyne kept arguing that h was important. The judge g word and seemed to make or whole case depended upon wit ness then wrote the letter to per. There was not much said a

per. There was not much said a ander Dunsmuir. Judge C something about Alexander acting peculiar. Witness did Witness saw Mr. Agnew at dro many times. He had Agnew there often also. Since the death of Mrs. witness hod visited Nevin's at dro. He had seen Mrs. Agne one occasion.

one occasion. On the way up from San F give evidence, occupying abou of days, witness came with and the Agnews. They neve

They never gether about the case or abo dence he was to give. Only on one occasion who went out to San Leandro was mair sick. Witness was laid off work a

the depth of the sympathy which is felt for those who suffered directly by the calamity than the action of the striking livery drivers. By a vote, which was without a dissenting voice, it was decided to establish a truce of ten days. President Albert Young, of the union, after the meeting, issued the following exposed construction, where heat would easily effect it. In modern fire proof buildings this lath is buried in concrete. lecree, which was distributed broad "Owing to the great disaster to the public caused by the fire at the Iroquois theatre, I do hereby declare a truce in the present strike of undertakers and livery drivers for ten days, and do furpartly responsible for the panic. ther require that every man who is on

strike report at once to their respect places of employment and to do every thing in his power to assist his employe in caring for the wants of the public Wages are to have no consideratio (Signed) Albert Young." In their turn the employers issued call to their striking employees to return to work, "irrespective of any previous affiliations with any and all organizations," and promising to protect them in all contingencies which may arise in All night long the crowds came and

end of the balcony and one in the cen-tre. The audience, in its rush for the ing directly across the alley from the outer air seems to have chosen, for scene, and noticing smoke went to asthe greater part, to flee to the left certain the cause. When he reached the greater part, to nee to make its the scene women were already dropping. pletely lowered, produced a beilying of the asbestos curtain, causing a pressure way down the eastern stirway leading into the alley, and Mr. Elliott immeway down the eastern stirway leading into the lobby of the theatre. Outside of the people burned and suf-focated by gas, it was in those two door-mays on the first and second balconies method of assistance they were able only ways on the first and second balconies method of assistance they were able to devise was to hurriedly throw some that the

Greatest Loss of Life

occurred. When the firemen entered the building the dead were found stretched in a pile reaching from the head of the end firmly on the woodwork. Before this could be done a fearful loss of the exits and tripped and fell over in a pile reaching from the near of the end infully on the woodwork. Before stairway at least eight feet from the door, back to a point about five feet in the rear of the door. The mass of dead every instant to the alley, and by the the rear of the door. The mass of dear for every instant to the aney, and by the bodies in the centre of the doorway reached to within two feet of the top of the passageway. All of the corpses at this point were women and children. The fight for life which must have taken this narrow causeway.

place at these two points is something that is simply beyond human power to pany, being on the first floor, had comadequately describe. Only a faint ideal paratively little difficulty in reaching the street, although their situation was The estimate of the newspapers is 562. It is the convent sisters, had attended aspect of the bodies. There lay women for a moment highly critical because of the body of Edith indight, the majority of whom are was found in the restaurant, many of had been overtaken by death as they swept through the mass of scenery in probably among the dead in the morgue were crawling on their hands and knees the flies and on the stage. over the bodies of those who had died Others, with arms stretched out play, was one of the last to escape by tively identified and ninety-two others are them were not found.

before. Others, with arms stretched out in the direction toward which lay life and safety, holding in their hands frag-ments of garments which they had not to be assisting the women members of the company to safety. He went into the took them through the roof and carried thrown away. They were evidently Sherman House in his stage costume took them through the roof and carried occupied a box. Both claimed that but for from the clothing of others whom and with his face covered with grease them down ladders in the rear of the for the presence of mind of Eddie Foy they had endeavored to pull down and paint in order to secure surgical attend-trample underfoot as they fought for ance for some burns he had received. duilding. Two more bodies tightly lock-the death roll the death roll would it.

their lives. As the police removed layer after layer of dead in those doorways, the sight became too much even for the proof curtain to work properly. Be-cause of this, he said, the flames readily police and firemen, hardened as they are to such an inextricable mass and were in such an inextricable mass and the draught, carrying with balcony above. so tightly jammed between the sides of it gas as well as fire, the door and walls that it was impos-

Swept Up the Two Balconies, sible to lift them one by one and carry them out. The only possible thing to do was to seize a limb or some other "The fire began in the middle of the

do was to seize a limb or some other portion of the body and pull with main strength. Men worked at the task with the decord act," said Mr. Foy. "An electric-wire broke, which grounded, and from strength. Men worked at the task with the stage, which grounded, and from the sobs of the rescuers could be heard that the flames spread rapidly. They soon attacked all the scenery in the their tasks and give it over to others whose nerves had not as yet been shak-en by the awful experience.

usual width, all opening out and ready to the hand of any one reaching them The draught thus caused, it is believed had before the curtain had been con pletely lowered, produced a bellying of was so great it seemed that the pressur

planks together and throw them aeross against the proscenium wall and friction caused thereby was so strong that portuned by persons on the stage and in the auditorium to be calm and avoid any rushing, that the exits and the facilities for emptying the theatre were ample to enable all to get out without confusion.

Estimates of Dead.

Eddie Foy, principal comedian in the Eighty-six of the dead have been posi-

years of age, was found impaled on the leading into the alley on the north side iron railing of the first balcony, evidently of the theatre. The people in the bal-

While scores of men were busy carry- Dexter forced open their doors and they ing out the dead and injured, others, fortunately few in number, searched the aisles and seats for valuables. Two women were found who had provided Houseman, having escorted his party themselves with baskets and were fill-out, took a position at his door and kept the evening the police arrested over a dozen men accused of being thieves and just in time to hear the agonized voice

whose herves had not as yet as the total of a started I went to the footlights, and, to prevent alarming the audience, ged out of the water-soaked, blackened mass of corpses, the spectacle became with it would be better for all to leave

entire night hunting for Mrs. F. M. others te Fix, of Winhetka, Ills., and her three children. Mrs. Fox is a daughter of sonally knew at the scene, and probably children. Mrs. Fox is a daughter of sonally knew at the scene, and probably W. H. Hoyt, who was president of the 100 nurses. Withiu a few minutes phy-New Hoyt Grocery Company. Mrs. Fox was taken home, but none of her sicians three and five miles from the fire were offering their services. Mayor Harrison was on his way to the children were found.

There was a pathetic scene at Rolouth for a hunting trip, and Comptroller ston's morgue when the body of Van McGann was acting mayor. The finance Ingen, 18 years old, was identified Friends of the Van Ingen family had committee of the city council, which was in session, told Acting Mayor McGann, identified. the fire marshal, the chief of police and

Spent Many Hours Searching

Bodies of the Victims

at the request of Mr. and Mrs. Van Ingen, who were injured. To-day four of the Van Ingen children are believed to have perished in the fire, as they had not been accounted for.

One of the saddest of the many sad scenes enacted in Thompson's restaurant, near the theatre, where many of the dead and wounded were taken immediately after the fire, was the search by a party of priests and nuns, headed by he Rev. J. L. Holtinger, of Ontonagon

duced by sirge if the garrison could be starved out. The strongest body has to give up the fight when starvation weakens it. There are more deaths from starvation than the world dreams of. When the stomach is dis-Estimates of the dead and injured Mich., for Edith Horton and her sister the nuns breaking down and weeping and various undertaking establishments. bitterly at the sight. The other Horton eased and the food eaten is not digested and assimilated, then the strength of the girl and the sister who accompanied

and assimilated, then the strength of the body begins to fail because of lack of nutrition, and the weak body falls an easy victim to the microbes of disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and othe organs of digestion and nutrition. It restores physical supergth in the only possible way, by enabling the assimila-tion of the nutrition contained in food.

Would Have Been Doubled.

tion of the nutrition contained in food. "I was sick for over three years with a com-plication of stomach troubles," writes Mr. John H. Castona, residing at 2012 Arch St., Chicago, Hinois, "Had tried every good physican I knew of, as well as many patent medicines, but received only temporary relief. One day a friend recommended your 'Golden Medical Dis-covery.' I immediately procured some and be-gan its use. Commenced to gain the first week, and after I had taken only one bottle I could eat as well as any oue without experiencing ill effects. I took five bottles, and to-day am happy to announce that I am as well and healthy as any one could be. I owe it all to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery." The sole motive for substitution is to when the panic began Dexter and Houseman made for and manued a door

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the fire in the froquois, it appears that one of the scenic draperies was noticed to have ignited from some cause. It was detected before it had reached an wound. He was out hunting in from a bullet appreciable flame, and the city fireman, who is detailed and constantly on duty morning with a 22 rifle, and attempted to clear a way through the snow-co when the theatre is open, noticed it bushes with the butt of his rifle. ' simultaneously with the electrician. The latter was discharged, and the bullet bushes with the butt of his rifle. The ireman, who was only a few feet away, tered his abdomen. The man died last mediately pulled the tube of 'kilfire,' night. of which there were many hung about the stage, and threw the contents upon HENRY NORMAN ARRIVES. the blaze, which would have been more than enough if the 'kilfire' had been effective, to have extinguished the flame Will Investigate Question of Preferenat once, but for some cause, inherent in tial Tariffs in Canada

the tube of 'kilfire,' it had no effect. The fireman and electrician then ordered down the asbestos curtain, and the fire-New York, Dec. 31 .- Henry Norman, M.P., arrived to-day on the steamer Ma-jestic from Liverpool to investigate the man threw the contents of another tube of 'kilfire' upon the blaze, with no betquestion of preferential tariffs in Can-"The commotion thus caused excited ada.

the alarm of the audience, who MARRIAGE AT VANCOUVER. Immediately Started For the Exits.

of which there are 25. of unusual width, Vancouver, Dec. 31 .- Mr. A. J. Baxl opening out and ready to the hand fer, secretary of the Tourist Association. of anyone reaching them. The draught thus caused, it is believed, had, before and Miss Maud Templeton were married to-day.

the curtain could be lowered, produced a bellying of the asbestos curtain, caus-ing a pressure on the guides against the solid brick wall of the proscenium, thus The failure of H. H. Glover, a small oroker, was announced on the London stock exchange to-day.

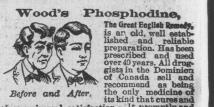
stopping its descent. Every effort was made by those on the stage to pull it down, but the draught was so great. It eemed that the pressure against the roscenium wall and the friction caused hereby was so strong that they could not be overcome. The audience became panic-stricken in their efforts to reach the exits and tripped and fell over each ther and blocked the way."

Five bushel backets were filled with the purses, gloves and handkerchiefs of the fleeing terror stricken women.

The greatest centre of excitement today was not the theatre but Rolston' morgue. All the morgues were surroundbut Rolston's, where more bodies of the dead were taken than to any other.

Scenes of Anguish

were worst. About the doors of the place were massed hundreds of men, and surrounding them like a huge fan, hun-



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