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A RESISTLESS RUSH. lying at the island. The flames rushed resistlessly into the tall

craftily in a crevice in the rear, and flamed wall of fire intervened between the wharf and

warehouses of Nelson street, Robertson Place ESCAPING ON RAFTS. and Dock street, spreading from Chipman's Many escaped into Courtenay Bay on rafts, Hill to the Harbor. Nothing seemed to masome of them taking their rescued household terially check their progress. Brick buildings effects with them. had wooden cornices, wooden sashes unpro THE SPREAD OF THE FLAMES.

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WHERE THE FIREMEN FOUGHT.

King and saving the east side of Pitt, Leinster

street Baptist Church, the lofty and time-

honored Centenary followed each other in

rapid succession, and all efforts to save the

fine residence of Mr. Troop, 'Mr. Lockhart

and Mr. Jones failed. A finger of flame would

protrude itself from window frame, cornice,

or some wooden ornamental work, and get

hold inside before it could be extinguished.

The last fight, after Alderman Peters, hand-

some King street residence was given up, was

for the possession of the Pitt street block, be-

tween King and Leinster, and the firemen

BURNED OUT-THE SCENE.

It was a glorious dawning on a dismal scene

-no fairer sunrise every guilded a more de-

pressing spectacle. The fire had about burned

itself out for lack of fuel, and the daylight

robbed the still living fiames of all their

brightness and splendor. There was a weird,

woful waste of rickety chimneys, tumbledown

walls, gaping cellars, smoking brick heaps.

that had been severed, the comfortable fami-

lies that had been beggared. The nearness of

the calamity robbed the ruins of their beauty.

Two solitary buildings in all this blackened

Abandoning the southern and western half

tected by iron shutters, or wooden outbuildings attached, afforded an easy entrance to the fire, and when once within the flames were sucked up the flue-like spaces between the bricks and plaster, made openings for themselves at the top, and then roared madly as they fell on lath and beam.

House after house in Germain and Horsefield streets, caught from the air borne messengers of destruction, and nothing but the constant watchfulness of men on the roofs prevented their burning. One volley of fiery particles, higher, and of longer range than the others, struck Mr. John E. Turnbull's factory and beautiful house at Lower Cove, more than a mile distant, and quickly wrapt them with the exception of the north side of King in flames. So quickly did Mr. Turnbull's stone house succumb that little or nothing was south side. saved, and Mrs. Turnbull had to be taken out of the second story window; her escape by the stairs having been cut off by fire. became the center of another fire radiator, of the city, the firemen strove to save the eastern portions of King, Leinster, and Princess and the surroundinig buildings were soon streets. Their success consisted in keeping aflame, there being no engine to interfere with the fire from crossing to the north side of

the progress of the devouring element. Soon after this one or two buildings in Horsefield street were ignited, a building or two in Germain street next caught, and TRINITY CHURCH

began to blaze, carrying consternation to every beholder. The flames ran up the tall steeple, danced merrily on its pointed summit, and ran along gable-ends and roof ridge. It was a sad sight to see the noble old structure, which had pointed the way to Heaven

for the Loyalists and the generations that have

walked in their footsteps, burning to the ground. The neighboring buildings on Germain street soon caught fire, and the flames soon ran down the street to Notman's Studio, to the Germain Street Methodist Church, to St. Andrew's Church, to the

VICTORIA HOTEL.

that lofty structure, one of the finest hotels in America, soon succumbing after surrounding houses were clothed with fire. The guests had been on the roof for an hour or two, watching the fire at what they supposed a safe distance, and did not become alarmed for the safety of themselves and their effects until but the picturesqueness was forgotten in Trinity Church became a pillar of fire that scorched their faces with its heat and blinded their eyes with smoke and cinders. There was a scramble for effects, a running and racing through the passages, a din of voices giving orders and asking aid.

SWEEPING TO THE MARKET SLIPS.

square half mile of ruin, made the sense of Long before this it was evident that the desolation all the more oppressive, as they original fire would sweep to Market Square suggested what had been. A cottage on the and Slip, where it was confidently expected tha its progress would be stayed. The merwest side of Pitt street and the Marine Hospital were the only buildings in the burned charts on the North Market Wharf and the district that escaped. North side of the Market Square began to re-,

move their goods in schooners, boats, trucks THREE LADIES BURNED TO DEATH.

and colches, and articles of Hardware thrown | Mrs. Reed, mother of ex-Mayor Reed, and into the slip. The only damage apprehended her two sisters, the Misses Clark, were burned on the South side was from sparks, and pre- in their residence. They were aged ladies, cautions which were considered sufficient were | were slow to leave their home and were taken against this. But when the North Wharf caught by the swiftly moving fire ere they rea vere on fire the focked to: flame formed arches across the water chasm, the ladies were found in the doorway.

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ne sole re were kept on board all night, the steamer things.

SCARCITY OF BREAD. Fully 50,000 barrells of flour were destroyed

every wholesale dealer in flour being burned out, and a scarcity of this staple was the result. Notwithstanding the very short period required for obtaining a full stock, some dealers had The flames worked steadily down Prince William and Water streets, taking Chubb's Corner, the City Hall, the New Post Office, the impolitic meaness to charge \$18 per barrel. Bread was also sold at 20 cents a loaf by the Bank of New Brunswick, Barnes' and the some dealers, while others disposed of all they Royal Hotel, and the Custom House (which, could get at the regular price. as also the Bank of New Brunswick, had been

made the receptacle of a great deal of valu-RELIEF MEASURES.

able property which was seeking a secure The measures taken for the relief of the place of deposit) in its route. The fire also sufferers were prompt and vigorous. The spread eastward on King, Leinster, Princess, citizens of Carleton and Portland opened Orange, Duke, Queen, St. Andrews, Brittain their doors freely and on Wednesday night and Sheffield sts., and by four o'clock in the and yesterday provided food and shelter to morning, had burned all of them clean to Pitt the fullest extent to their friends and the desstreet, or nearly to the Courtenay Bay shore, titute and homeless. The Skating Rink and the City Hall in Carleton were opened and street, and the Jail and Court House on the were soon crowded with occupants.

The Common Council met yesterday morning and measures were taken for the immedi-

ate relief of the sufferers. Letters were read from Halifax, Moncton and other cities offering relief. Relief Committees were organized for both sides of the harbor, and these set to work with such a will that last night many homeless and penniless beings forgot their troubles in sleep. In Carleton the citizens were unwearied in their attempts to cheer and sustain the objects of their sympathy and benevolence. All day yesterday the City Hall, Carleton, was one continued scene of activity, and food and shelter were provided for all who chose to accept them. "God bless these people," said one poor woman from the fulness of her heart; "I did'nt think you could be so kind to us poor creatures." These people had lost everything-house, household

goods, and in some cases friends and relations. Among the latter were Mrs. Holmes, a sailor's widow, living near Reed's Point. Her condition is lamentable in the extreme.

But recently she lost her husband at sea; Wednesday she beheld every vestige of her property swept from before her eyes : Wednesday night her eldest son, spoken of as a

very worthy young man, was drowned while crossing the harbor. One son is left to hertoo young to realize the misfortune that has befallen his parent. The poor woman is almost crazed.

No old world ruin was ever more picturesque, The story told by these poor creature is pitiable in the extreme, but there is a courage sustaining them, and a sympathy for others tend in a body and propose a union of mem-bers and money.—St. John News of 25th. thinking on the happy homes that had been rendered desolate, the household gods that that is remarkable. A poor woman told the had been sacrificed, the tender associations

writer the above particulars concerning Mrs. Holmes. "But my good woman," said he, Did you lose nothing?" " Oh yes," said she, but that poor woman lost her son, while I, thank God, saved my children. If you have comfort and charity to bestow give it to her. One poor woman said she removed her furniture from her house, and as the fire followed her up she removed her little stock nine times,

then to see it overtaken and burned by the devouring element. Another woman had lost all her property, and one of her children was missing. A woman living on the west side of Queen Square, returned to her home to find \$1.00; Local Government, N. B., \$25,000; it in flames, and her four children she knew not where, not up to yesterday afternoon had town \$5,000; Windsor, N. S., \$3,000; Halshe discovered any trace of them. " Ah," alifax, \$25,000.

The remains of one of most shricked a woman in reply to a quetion as to whether she was insured, "How raised \$280 amongst the members of the vading sentiment.

exercise their judgment in regard to what was necessary. He had telegraphed them, that on looking around the city, clothing was needed most. Before he left upwards of \$10,000 had been subscribed. Three hearty cheers were then given for the Mayor of Halifax. . When Yarmouth heard of St. John's great

calamity, her business men held an impromptu meeting. They speedily got together some breadstuffs and provisions, and a deputation of eight, with Mr. J. W. Moody, chairman, stepped on board the "Dominion" and cros-

sed over. The deputation includes Capt. Ryerson. The supplies brought over were-100 barrels flour, 34 do oatmeal, 28 do pilot bread, 3 casks hams, 3 bags Rice, 2 barrels beef, 1 do crackers. Thanks generous Yarmouth.

#### AMONG THE CHURCHES.

There was a rather slender attendance at divine service last Sunday. All the sermons touched more or less on the conflagration. Rev. Mr. Mitchell's sermon was a very eloquent discourse, and he protested against the idea that the fire was a judgment of God in punishment of iniquity, as good men, and God's temple's, had been involved in the common ruin.

Germain street Methodist and Baptist, St. James, Leinster Street Baptist, Centenary Methodist, Reformed Presbyterian, St. David's, Carmarthen Street Methodist, and Duke street Christian-awaken sorrowful recollections, and promote sad forbodings of subscription papers, bazaars and tea meetings.

MEETING OF GERMAIN STREET METHODISTS. -The members of the Germain Street Methodist congregation were called together in the hall of the Young Men's Association on Monday evening, to consider the situation.

PROMPT ACTION. CENTENARY TO BE RE-BUILT.—At a business meeting of Centenary congregation yesterday, it was resolved to rebuild at once, and to invite Carmarthen street overcome with emotion. It was a deliverance congregations to unite with them. The in-

surances on the three churches, including Centenary's \$19,000, is \$30,000, which will erect a fine brick building. It is thought that the Varley School land and fund may be secured for church purposes. At a business meeting of the Germain street congregation, to be held to-day, the Centenarians will at-

#### THE RELIEF.

Help in the shape of money, clothing and food is brought in by every train. Upwards of \$200,000 in cash have already

been received. It is said that the city of London subscribed £100,000 sterling-almost too good to be true-and Liverpool, G. B., \$70,000. Toronto sends \$70,000; Chicago \$10,000, and 50 cases cooked meat. Ottawa \$6,000; Frederioton \$8,000; Philadelphia \$4,225;

Bangor \$6,000; London, Ontaria, \$5.000: Hamilton \$2,500; Sarnia \$1,000; Chatham Dominion Governmenf, \$20,000: Charlotte-

In Ottawa, Revs. Lucas and Robson have fused together by one dominant and all per-

tended into 20, 30, 40, 50-to a whole lon furniture. Harry Daly, Orange street, de-the garden and buried furniture and other things. quarter, an hour and a half. Just at half past 4 the Committee walked in, led by Dr. Jenkins. The manner in which they were paired off, old antagonists side by side-the sunshine of their faces,-told the tale, that had not yet been uttered in words. A cheer was about to be raised, but was hushed into solemn stillness, Dr. Jenkins ascended the platform and asked the Moderator's permission to read the Report which the Committe had unanimously adopt-ed. The deepest silence prevailed as he read the following :

REPORT.

Mayor Richey of Halifax made quite a in ten or fifteen minutes. These minutes ex-

The Committee appointed by the General Assembly to meet and deliberate with the view of presenting a basis for a satisfactory settlement of the matter, relating to Mr. Macdonnel, beg leave respectfully to report,-That they had ascertained from Mr. Macdonnell through a sub-committee, that in intimating in his last statement to the General Assembly his adherence to the Confession of Faith, he intended to be understood as saying :

"I consider myself as under subscription to the Confession of Faith, in accordance with my ordination vows, and I therefore adhere to the teaching of the Church, as contain therein, on the Doctrine of the Eternity or endless duration of the Future Punishment of the The remains of the churches-Old Trinity, Wicked, notwithstanding doubts and difficult ies which perplex my mind."

The Committee, therefore, unanimously ecommend that this statement be accepted as satisfactory, and that further proceedings be stopped.

Signed, JOHN JENKINS, Convener.

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Scarcely had he uttered the final word when cheer after cheer rung joyously through the House. There was a universal outburst of applause, repeated and repeated, over the good news. Men did not know how adequately to express their feelings. Smiles mingled with tears on hundreds of faces. Those apparently hardest in the House were melted down and they had not dared to expect. " Like men that dreamed were we."

Dr. Topp rose, his face beaming with joy, and moved the adoption of this report and that it become the deliverance of the Assembly, He spoke of his delight in moving this resolution, in contrast with his regret when he felt constrained to move the amendment on Friday. He was cordial and happy in his expressions, and the whole house greeted him enthusiastically."

Dr. MacGregor accepted Dr. Topps motion. He was beyond expression glad and thankful that the perplexities and antagonisms of the past few days and months are now over. Dark clouds gloomed over the Church: they are

now swept away by the hand of God. Dr. Cook added a few cordial words. The vote was then taken, when the Report was adopted unanimously and thus became the judgment of the House. The Assembly then sung Psalm 122:

How beautiful a thing it is, And how becoming well, Together such as brethren are, In unity to dwell.

Prayer was offered by Rev. R. Sedgewick. Never was an Assembly more thoroughly