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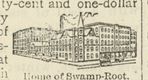
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HOW THE FIRE CAUGHT.

The Fine Dry Goods House of John E. Hurst & Co. Was the Starting Point.

The fire started in the basement of John E. Hurst & Co's building, at the southwest corner of Hopkins place and German street. An automatic fire alarm equipment in the building registered an alarm at 10 48 a. m., and in a minute the Salvage Corps, which is only a block away, was on the scene aheadof the city apparatus.

Captain Gordon of the Salvage Corps saw that the flames had already gotten a good headway, and he ordered a city alarm call turned in from Box No. 447, at Baltimore and Liberty streets, and this was done at 10 51 a. m. Almost instantly the flames shot up through the entire building, and as it was evident that there was fierce fire to fight in the heart of the hole district, the general alarm of four twos was sounded by Chief Horton a few minutes later. Twenty minutes after this the few additional engines and trucks held in reserve in different sections were called in and the whole city apparatus was there. Chief Horton also deemed it wise to telegraph for aid to the Washington fire department, and this was done about 11 30 o'clock.

The explosion which ensued in the Hurst Building and which undoubtedly caused the appalling spred of the flames were attributed by rumor to various causes. One theory had it that there was a gas plant in the building. Another said that the boilers exploded. A police sergeant who was on the scene said there was no explosion, but that the terrible crashes were due to the falling of the heavily weighted floors in the Hurst Building. There was no authoritative statement obtainable in the terrible confusion.

Explosion Shook City.

The whole city was notified of the conflagration by an explosion, or crash, which occured some minutes after 11 o'clock. A sharp, splitting roar went up with reverberating thunder. This was followed by a peculiar whistfing noise, like that made by a shrill wind. The churches in the central section of the city were filled with worshippers, many of whom became frightened, and, while no panics ensued, hundreds of men and women left their seats and went outside to see what had happened, In a second streets and pavements all over the city were crowded with people, who gazed up overhead as though expecting to see some phenomena of nature.

As they looked another deafening crash occured, and dense columns of cinders and smoke shot up over the central section of the city, and in a huge brown column moved rapidly toward the Northeast. Borne on the strong southeast wind, the column of smoke, blazing cinders, and even pieces of tin-roofing, spread over the centre of the city as far north as Calvert and Biddle streets, where a rain of cinders fell, compelling pedestrians to dodge red-hot pieces of wood

Two more explosions followed, and by this time the word was passed that the cause of the detonations and shocks was an immence fire in Hopkins place. Thousands of persons boarded the cars running to that section. Other thousands hurried on foot. Of all the spectators, comparatively few saw the fire itself. They could not get within half a block of it. Even the policemen guarding the approaches to the fire had to repeatedly shift their positions and dodge falling cinders. Pieces of tin six by eight feet square were lifted into the air by the terrific heat, sailed upward like paper kites, and, when they reached a point beyond the zone of the most intense heat, fell clattering to the streets.

The firemen and police, who were obliged to stick to their dangerous posts, dodged into doorways for shelter from the rain of hot missiles. Crash after crash could be heard within the burning district, but even the firemen could not tell from what building they proceeded. In the seething furnace of flame all knowledge of who were the occupants of buildings was lost. Walls and flooring fell in thunderous roars that echoed for blocks away, but the identity of the buildings that were being burned up and crumbled into ashes could not be established.

At first the police roped off Baltimore street, from Howard to Charles streets. The flames spread, the rain of cinders and hot tin became more fierce, and, to prevent injury to the spectators, Marshall Farnan ordered the crowd on Baltimore street back to St. Paul street, and the other crowds a block or so. Even at that distance from the main conflagration many timid persons became alarmed when an explosion occurred or walls fell, tossing into the air tons of cinders, and the majority of the spectators needed no police warning to flee eastward down Baltimore street.

Hurry To Save Books.

Hundreds of merchants and business men with offices in the threatened district were notified by watchmen and police. Nearly all took steps to have their books remove to a place of safety. Hundreds of men and boys were impressed to move the books. Wagons, handcarts and drygoods boxes were used to remove them The Adam Express Company, No. 21 East Baltimore street, sent a hurry call for its men and wagons to come to the office at once. The books, desk and files were all packed into wagons for removal to a place of safety.

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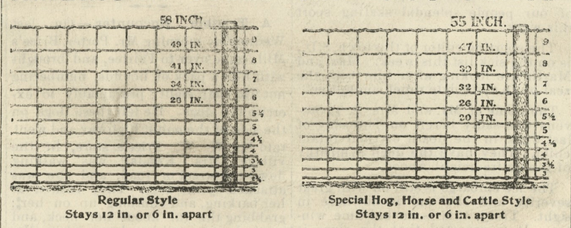

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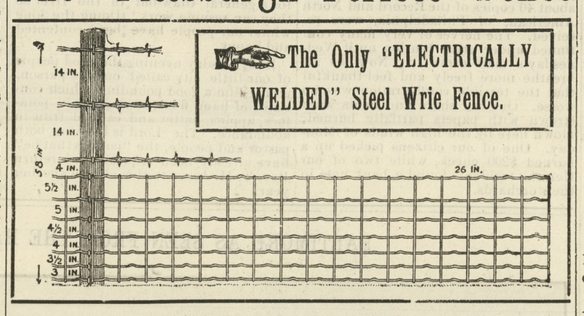

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Robert R. Hatcherson, Assignee, vs. Highly D. Orem and Ida Orem.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity. No. 1507.

ORDERED, this 15th day of January, 1904, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the mortgage real estate of Highly D. Orem and wife, made and reported by William W. Beck, Attorney and Trustee, under power in mortgage dated May 21st, 1901, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 21st day of March next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 20th day of February next.

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