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**THIRTEEN LIVES LOST.**

**A Fire in a Wealthy New Yorker's Residence Does Terrible Work—Several Persons Injured, One Fatally.**

New York, April 8.—A disastrous fire visited the wealthiest section of this city during the early morning hours of yesterday and caused the death of 13 persons. Nine or ten persons were injured, one of whom will die. A mother and her three little children perished. The list of dead is almost equally divided between people of unusual wealth and servants. The fire spread so rapidly that it gave no chance of escape. The amount of damage to property is estimated at about \$250,000. The fire originated at the corner of Sixty-seventh street and Fifth avenue, in the house occupied by Wallace G. Andrews, president of the New York Steam Heating company. There were in the house 14 persons, fast asleep. How the fire originated is still a mystery, though it seems tolerably certain that an explosion of some kind occurred, but whatever was the cause the flames gained hold with such rapidity that only two escaped from the building. One of these is so badly injured that she has no chance of surviving. The fire communicated to Sixty-ninth street and, in the house of Albert J. Adams, a servant was burned to death, thus bringing the total of victims to 13. So thoroughly did the flames do their work that, when the gutted Andrews house was searched, the corpses were so charred as to be almost beyond positive identification.

**TWELFTH CENSUS DISTRICTS.**

**Country Is to Be Divided on Congressional District Lines, with Some Consolidation.**

Washington, April 8.—The following scheme for the division of the country into supervisors' districts for the purpose of the twelfth census has been adopted by Director Merriam:

The census act provides that the whole number of supervisors' districts shall not exceed 350, and that, wherever practicable, the boundaries of these districts shall conform to those of the congressional districts. The number of congressional districts is 37, to which must be added eight territorial districts, including one for Hawaii and two for Alaska. The number of districts to be saved by consolidation is, therefore, 65. In the interest of the enumeration, it has been deemed advisable to effect such consolidation where the population is denser than the average, rather than in sparsely settled regions.

The following is the number of districts allotted to each western state and territory: Alaska, 2; Arizona, 1; Arkansas, 6; California, 6; Colorado, 2; Hawaii, 1; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 16; Indiana, 13; Indian territory, 1; Iowa, 11; Kansas, 7; Minnesota, 7; Missouri, 13; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 6; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 1; North Dakota, 1; Ohio, 19; Oklahoma, 1; Oregon, 2; South Dakota, 2; Texas, 13; Utah, 1; Washington, 2; Wisconsin, 9; Wyoming, 1.

**ABOUT DEWEY'S COMING.**

He Prefers to Complete His Work on the Commission and Come Home with the Other Members.

Washington, April 8.—Within a few months Admiral Dewey will be back on American soil, if all goes well, and will then be given the welcome he earned nearly a year ago in Manila bay. He will not be recalled, as such action might be construed as a mark of dissatisfaction with his recent actions and might encourage the Filipinos. An intimation has been conveyed to him, quite unofficially, of course, that the work of the navy in the Philippines is over, so far as fleet movements are concerned, and that the minute he asks for shore duty the request will be granted. It is understood Admiral Dewey is ready to come home now, so far as naval duties are concerned, but prefers to finish the work of the Philippine commission and come home with Chairman Schurman and ex-Minister Denby.

**RECORD OF FAILURES.**

Most Favorable Showing in Comparison with 1898—The West Shows a Decrease of 41 Per Cent.

New York, April 8.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Failures in the first quarter of 1899 were in number 3,772, against 3,687 last year, and the liabilities \$27,152,631, against \$23,946,563, a decrease of 17.6 per cent. Geographical aspects make the returns peculiar, with a slight increase of defaults in New England, an increase of 13 per cent. in the southeast and 20 per cent. in the central states. There was a decrease of nearly 40 per cent. in the Pacific and southwestern states, 41 per cent. in western states and 48 per cent. in middle states. No other year of the 24 covered by Dun's quarterly reports has shown as small failures during its first quarter, excepting 1883 and 1881, and no other except 1883 and 1886 as small liabilities per failure. The average of defaulted liabilities per firm in business, only \$22.19, is smaller than in the first quarter of any firm except 1880, and the rate of defaulted liabilities to solvent payments through clearing houses, only \$1.12 per \$1,000, is also the lowest for the quarter except in 1881.

Failures for the week have been 141 in the United States, against 212 last year, and 17 in Canada, against 32 last year.

**Altgeld's Forces Reorganize.**

Chicago, April 8.—The Altgeld party is to be reorganized under the name of "Chicago platform democracy." A permanent executive committee was established at a meeting in the Unity building headquarters yesterday. The primary motive underlying the plan to perpetuate the party, according to ex-Gov. Altgeld, is to have a disciplined fighting force ready for the great national battle next year. The ex-governor intends to fight for recognition in the national democratic convention.

**SPLENDID FIELDS OF GRAIN.**

Following is copy of letter received from Dennis Twohey, who went to Winnipegosis, Manitoba, from Austin, Minn., March, 1898:

Winnipegosis, Man., Jan. 23, 1899. Benjamin Davies, Esq., Canadian government Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir: I have great pleasure in writing you these few lines to let you know how I like my new location, and how I have been getting along since I left Southern Minnesota. I like this country well, the climate agrees with me and my family at all seasons, and taken all around it is ahead of Minnesota. I may say that we have not had one storm yet this winter. As regards the productives of the soil, I consider it beats Southern Minnesota. I am a practical farmer, but have never seen such vegetables in my life as I have seen raised here. As regards grain of all kinds, I have seen splendid yields, in fact any man who cannot get along here and make a good living cannot do it anywhere.

We have abundance of wood for fuel, timber for building, and lots of hay. I have got good water on my place, about 24 feet. I have a good class of neighbors around me, and have been well used by everybody. I have been able to get lots of work for myself and team at fair wages, whenever I wanted it, and I think any one else can do the same. I would not care to return to Minnesota.

I am, sir, yours very truly,  
(Signed) DENNIS TWOHEY.  
The Government has Agents in several of the States, any of whom will be pleased to give information as to free homestead lands to those desiring it.

Owing to the Number of Drinks.—Brown.—"When you get in late at night, do you always tell your wife where you have spent the evening?" Jones—"Not always. Sometimes I don't know."—Ohio State Journal.

**THE GENERAL MARKETS.**

Table with market prices for various goods like CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP, WHEAT, CORN, etc. in KANSAS CITY, ST. LOUIS, and CHICAGO.

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Frank B. Trout, of 103 Griswold Ave., Detroit, Mich., says: "At the age of fourteen we had to take our daughter from school on account of ill health. She weighed only 50 pounds, was pale and sallow and the doctors said she had anemia. Finally we gave her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. When she had taken two boxes she was strong enough to leave her bed, and in less than six months was something like herself. To-day she is entirely cured, and is a big, strong, healthy girl, weighing 130 pounds, and has never had a sick day since."—Detroit Evening News.

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