

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The World's Fair Pompeii came tonight — a rushing volcano of flame, a huge Gothic architecture tumbling into chaos, bewildering mobs of people, all were there, under a great starry sky of Italian clearness, with Lake Michigan's broad expanse, a second Mediterranean.

Long after dark tonight belated people returning from their work noticed a constantly enlarging column of fire and smoke ascending skyward in the east.

"The World's Fair is on fire," was the cry, and few indeed of the fascinated watchers from the train windows alighted until the famous terminal at the exposition grounds was reached.

The fire had been burning less than an hour when a thunderous crash of falling timber and tremendous shout from the crowd announced the collapse of the Peristyle. A moment later a terrific yell from the crowd told that the Liberal Arts building was on fire, and the whole exposition was threatened.

A dramatic incident marked the destruction of the Peristyle. One of the ladders bearing up a group of firemen fell with the columns, and one heroic fireman went down to his death, while a number of others suffered injuries more or less severe.

The fire started in the Casino, just east of the agricultural building and south of the Peristyle. The Casino was quickly devoured, and the flames urged north on top of the Peristyle, and dropping made a second line of fire along the base of the columns. The flames then sprang through Music Hall. While the fire was burning there one of the most singular and fascinating sights of the night was witnessed. Along the top of the Peristyle were scores of heroic statues. The spectacle of those people on the moving sidewalk east of the Peristyle was that of a succession of gigantic human beings, plunging one after another headlong into the waters of the lake below.

The origin of the fire is said to have been revenge on the part of a couple of tramps. The solitary guard in Music Hall said that just before the flames broke out he kicked two vagabonds out of the building. They left in the direction of the Casino.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 9.—Rev. Hy. E. Cheesman, pastor of the Eighth street M. E. church, was deliberately drowned tonight in the Delaware river at the foot of Chestnut street by two men. Officer Zaeser heard the clergyman cry for help, but owing to the darkness was unable to locate the direction from which the sound came. He heard a second cry but much stifled. Two sailors who had also heard the cries, reached the spot about the same time as the officer. They saw the body of a man floating in the river and, leaping in, brought it to the shore. Cheesman expired in a few minutes.

Shortly after the cries were heard two men are known to have run away from the wharf. The police shortly before midnight arrested Isaac George

and Solomon Willis on suspicion of having committed the crime. What the clergyman was doing on the wharf at that time of night and what the motive for the murder was is a mystery.

BUFFALO, Jan. 9.—The story of John L. Sullivan's latest knockout has just leaked out. Saturday night John went out to "do the town." He drank heavily, and soon after returning to his hotel a great crash was heard in his room. John's wife had chided him and he in return had assaulted her. She defended herself with an Indian club, knocking her husband senseless. It was daylight before he opened his eyes or showed signs of life. Mrs. Sullivan says she struck her husband harder than she intended.

JERSEY CITY, Jan. 9.—Rev. Patrick Corrigan, of Hoboken, died this evening, aged 58. In the events which have kept the Catholic Church in the United States in a turmoil for the past four years, Father Corrigan took a prominent part. He was a vigorous supporter of Archbishop Ireland and the liberal and progressive element, and at the time of his death was as widely known as any Catholic in the country.

PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 23.—[Copyright by Associated Press.]—After more than a week's delay the Nictheroy's reshipment difficulty seems to be over and she will probably leave for the south tomorrow. She has about 160 of the original crew on board and also 200 Brazilians. The Nictheroy and America left St. Thomas December 3rd. December 10th, Ceara was sighted. A steamer started from port, headed for the Nictheroy. The pipe of the boat-swain rang through the ship, calling all hands to quarters, and soon they began to cast loose and manned ready to turn upon the vessel if she should prove to be an enemy. A small boat soon came alongside and it proved to be a pilot, sent out by the Brazilian authorities to bring the Nictheroy in.

Tuesday morning the Nictheroy steamed away once more and reached Pernambuco in forty-eight hours. The officials of the government came aboard and had a discussion with Captain Baker and Lieutenant Hill, asking that both officers and men should prepare a scale of pay, such as they would require to induce them to reship in the Brazilian navy. They were also to state for how long they were willing to enlist. Immediately afterwards the crew were told they would receive \$500 bounty and \$100 a month if they chose to reship. Fifty men left the ship, and as no communication is now allowed with the ship it is supposed all on board signed.

ROME, Jan. 9.—A dispatch from Bare says an anti-tax mob overran the town of Rudodi Puglia and burned the octroi office, sentry boxes and tax bureau. The mob also destroyed the Union Club house and tore up the rails of the horse car line, cut the telegraph wires and attacked the gen-darmes in their barracks. The gen-darmes were eventually so hard pressed that they fired a volley at the mob, but the riot-

ing continued until the arrival of troops sent for from Bare. One of the rioters was killed, four wounded and twenty captured.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 10.—The Burlington train leaving this city at 6:25 was held up about three miles east of St. Joe by five masked men. The train was stopped by torpedoes being placed on the track and a red lantern swung across the road in the regulation custom.

As soon as the train stopped three robbers boarded the engine with drawn revolvers and ordered the engineer and fireman to accompany them to the express car and order the express messenger to open the door. This they did, and when the express messenger opened the door the three robbers, with revolvers in each hand, entered the car, and ordered the messenger to open the safe. He did so, and the robbers then took all in the safe, an amount claimed by the railroad officials not to exceed \$50. This statement is not credited here, however.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 11.—Twenty-six counties of the Choctaw nation voted almost unanimously against statehood or the severance of the tribal relations. The same feeling exists in the other four civilized tribes, it is said, and the advances of the government will undoubtedly be repulsed.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Jan. 11.—A sensation was created by the arrest of Prof. R. C. Hartshorn, principal of the High school, on the charge of attempting to murder Alda and Maggie Robinson with chloroform. It is alleged that a criminal operation had been performed on Alda and the child cremated in a kitchen stove New Year's day. The attempted double murder was to conceal the crime. Alda is still unconscious and may die. A prominent physician is said to be implicated. He has fled.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 11.—Tonight four negroes entered the home of an old couple named Benny, at Florissant, a suburb of this city, and made a demand for money which they believed was concealed in the house. The negroes beat Benny and wife so severely that the latter is dead and the former cannot recover from his injuries. A hired man, hearing the screams of the old couple, ran to their assistance and was beaten into insensibility.

The negroes then secured \$3000 and fled. At 11 o'clock the city police department received word that over 100 Florissant citizens were searching for the negroes, with the avowed intention of lynching them if found.

DENVER, Jan. 11.—The senate today received the majority report of the special committee appointed to consider the governor's message. The report declared that there is no occasion for an extraordinary session and recommended adjournment tomorrow.

In the house today, the member from El Paso county created a sensation by introducing the following resolution:

It looks like the devil for the members of the Ninth General Assembly to be stopping at sumptuous hotels in Denver and drawing \$7 per day from impoverished constituency, under the pretence that they can better their condition by legislation, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the members of this assembly and employees of the same