

## REPORTED LOSSES SHRINK SOMEWHAT

### Not So Much Money Represented In Goods as First Told

YET STUFF WAS PRICELESS

### Association Made it So—Work of Reconstructing Property

New Vans Ordered from Denver and  
Courageous Concern Plans Doing

The big fire which destroyed the D.O.

man Van & Storage company's buildings is still the chief topic for discussion on the streets, and opinions as to its origin, loss and insurance are many. How and when the fire started

is secondary to the losses, insurance and the problem of rebuilding. The preliminary work of reconstruction began today. At a late hour this afternoon the stable, where the horses and boards were burned, was still burning.

An engine was sent down at noon to pump water out of the basement of the warehouse. Two men with a line of hose were on duty all of last night.

as the hay was on fire and required constant watching.

ORIGIN VERY DOUBTFUL.

In all probability the origin of the fire will never be known. Many theories

ories have been advanced but there are no known facts to substantiate any of them. One is incendiarism. Another is defective wiring and still another sparks from a fire started by back in a cave at the northwest corner.

boys in a cave at the northeast corner of the warehouse. According to the firemen there is no reason to believe the conflagration was caused by spontaneous combustion. The complete destruction of the buildings and com-

It was reported to the fire department this morning that a young man

residing in the neighborhood who was one of the first to discover the fire said there were two fires in the sheds between the warehouse and the stables.

There is another story to the

fect that a boy named Emil Mills and a companion, saw two men near the buildings just before the fire and that one of them told the boys to get out of the alley or they would be hurt. The Mills boy said the man

get more. The slings only add the men hurried out to First South street and disappeared. Chief Vall and his assistants are engaged in making an investigation today, but little hope is entertained of ever learning the cause of the fire.

As to the total loss, the figures given in last evening's "News" are correct according to the statement made by Manager B. F. Redman. The actual loss sustained by those who had goods stored in the warehouse may never

be known for the reason that the company did not keep a record showing the value of the property stored. The prices placed upon goods by the owners, are, in many instances, far in advance of the real value and many articles which were priceless, because of

As stated last evening, the matter of rebuilding and resuming business will be taken up at once. Manager Redman

stated today that new barns, warehouse, etc., are being planned. The debris will be moved just as soon as the water is pumped from the basement, and this work was begun this afternoon. New vans have been ordered from Denver and horses will be pur-

chased as soon as possible.

STILL THEY COME.

More Losses Reported in Redman Fire  
—Many Interesting Incidents Told.

Harry B. Cole, the well known mining man, had several boxes of bric-a-brac, cut glass and china in the Redman warehouse. Mr. Cole figures his loss at \$300 with no insurance protection.

tion. George W. Silks had a fine piano and other belongings stored away. These had a value of \$3,500 and were partly protected by \$1,000 worth of insurance. D. S. Murry, manager of the Bell Telephone company, was among

The near-overs. Mr. Murray left the city just a few days ago and before going instructed the insurance company, with which he was doing business, to transfer his insurance upon goods in the Hedman warehouse, believing his stuff was in the Second

ENAMPLES OF SHRINKAGE.

now that the excitement of the moment is past. Persons who had priceless relics, heirlooms and other articles, precious from association, etc., put the value of their goods at figures which they knew would not be offered just to show how wealthy, how valued.

their wares. Other Braves were furnished by other persons besides the owners themselves. As reported in last evening's "News" the total value of the goods burned will not exceed \$171,000 and the heaviest individual loss was sustained by J. P. Patterson & Co., whose

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2.50 insurance. The Salt Lake Security and Trust company had no goods in the building; it held goods in trust there but the value would not pass three figures. A similar dwindling is noticeable in all life reports upon the fire.