

ANGEROUS FIRE CHECKED AFTER FIGHT
Three-Story Dwellings Bayard Street, Owned Smith Scott and the Pennsy, Are Guttled—Entire Department Battles With Flames for 3 Hours.

Entire city fire department was called out last night in the near-zero temperature to fight the most disastrous fire that has broken out in this city in many years. The fire was confined to two three-and-one-half story dwellings at 129, 129 1-2 and 131 Bayard street, and it was only the effective and heroic work of the men that prevented the flames from spreading to the entire row of frame houses on that block.

At one time the fire looked so dangerous that the occupants of the buildings in the immediate neighborhood were ordered to move out. The fire originated in a one-story building at the rear of the block. According to the department's investigation, an oil stove, which was used to keep bags of potatoes from freezing, either exploded or else some material in the place, spread flames rapidly and soon engulfed the entire house, which is owned by South Scott, a baker, and by the strong northwest wind, spread to the house at 131 Bayard street, owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad, and occupied by Chas. and family.

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Under company denies guilt, rough attorney settlement. Arose. Out of fatal explosion—Several men taken today—Aut. Thief sent to Reform.

GIRLS
Wanted for Reeling Department at
Way & Carpenter's.
J12-2t

Uncle Sam Has 79 Sons Added to Family
Seventy-nine new citizens were added to Uncle Sam's list as a result of yesterday's session of Naturalization Court, conducted by Judge Daly, assisted by United States Examiner Gordon. There were 121 applicants in all, and of this number 34 petitions were continued for various reasons, while 8 applications were dismissed.

MARTIAL LAW AT SCENE OF BIG BLAST
Police Ordered to Shoot Looters at Sight—Shells Still Exploding—1,000 Persons Are Made Homeless by Disaster—Two Killed.

KINGSLAND, Jan. 12.—A mass of smoldering ruins from which still came the occasional roar of an exploding shell, over 1,000 persons homeless and a loss of \$5,000,000—these were all that remained today to tell the story of the North Atlantic Coast's second great explosion since its factories began turning out ammunition for the warring countries.

Orders were given the police today to shoot down persons caught looting in and about the two square miles of burning ruins of what was once the big munition plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company.

BRITISH MAKE NEW TRENCH ATTACKS ON SOMME FRONT
BERLIN, Jan. 12.—The British have begun to attack again on the Somme front, the War Office announced today. Two assaults were delivered this morning north of the Ancre. The British gained an initial success but later were forced back. At one point fighting is still going on.

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Every evening in main dining room. Good music. Dinner De Luxe.

THREE 1917 MODEL CARS FOR SALE
One 6-cylinder 7 passenger Paige, one 6-cylinder 5 passenger Mitchell, and one 4-cylinder 5 passenger Overland, all electric lights, acf starting. Van Horn's Garage, 39 Easton avenue, Phone 1494. D5-tf

MILLTOWN CUTS EXPENSES ON ITS ELECTRIC WORK
Assistant Superintendent to Replace Work of Borough Clerk and Official Tapper—Other Items at Council Meeting.

MILLTOWN, Jan. 11.—One of the most radical, though economical and efficient changes in the administration of borough affairs took place at a regular meeting of the Borough Council last night when Councilman William R. Evans offered resolutions in behalf of the finance committee, abolishing the collection of electric light money as water rents by Clerk R. A. Harkins, for which he was annually paid \$450, and at the same time abolishing the engagement of Henry A. Christ as official tapper, creating a further saving to the borough of \$1.50 for every tap made.

AGITATION FOR N. BRUNSWICK ANNEXATION
Trade Board Takes Initiative in the Movement—Schneider May Introduce Bill Without Referendum—Commissioners Asked to Co-operate.

Agitation for the annexation of North Brunswick to this city has been revived and it is expected that in this session of the Legislature, a bill will be introduced by Assemblyman Frederick Schneider of this city, to that effect. This morning when interviewed, Mr. Schneider said he had the matter under consideration and would announce his intentions later.

Many Middlesex Republicans to Parade for Edge
A large number of Middlesex Republicans are planning to attend the inaugural ceremonies at Trenton on next Tuesday when Governor-elect Walter E. Edge, of Atlantic City, will be inducted into office.

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CUTTER Men Wanted.
Nevensliff Mfg. Co. J8-tf

Childless Home Is Brightened by Baby Boy, Adopted Today

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Isaacson, of 204 Hamilton street, who have been married six years and are childless, were today made the parents of a seven-month-old baby boy when Judge Daly granted their petition, presented in the Orphans' Court through Ex-senator James H. Van Cleef, for the adoption of little Max Isaacson, whose father is dead and whose mother consented in writing to the adoption.

CREIGHTON HOUSE, IN THEATRICAL PARK, DESTROYED
Firemen Handicapped by Lack of Water in Early Morning Fire in Highland Park—Cause Is Unknown.

Theatrical Park, Highland Park, was visited by a disastrous fire early this morning, when the country house of Mrs. S. Creighton, was totally destroyed. The heroic efforts of the Highland Park and Piscataway firemen, who were called out in the zero weather to save the house proved unsuccessful, as the flames had gained considerable headway before it was discovered.

20 Hurt as Trolley Car Runs Wild in Brooklyn
NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Leaping through the doors of a street car which ran wild, beyond control of the conductor, a trolley car today, more than a score of persons were injured, three seriously.

Murdered Man Found on Car Tracks at Carlstadt
CARLSTADT, Jan. 12.—The body of an unidentified man with a bullet hole in his heart was found on the trolley tracks here today. The body was seen by a motorman who just missed running over it. A revolver was found on the car seat, and it is believed the murderer boarded it during the excitement over the finding of the body.

BIG CIGAR SPECIAL
A factory-made cigar. Box of 50, \$1.20, at Schneider Brothers, 130 Albany street. J8-1m

Fancy new crop light color New Orleans Molasses, 65c a gallon at Johnson's Grocery, 28 Liberty street. Phone 966. d15-tf

CLEAN-UP SALE OF FURS.
Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Three very good days for buying furs, because on Jan. 11-12-13 every fur garment in our stock will be marked at a Clearance Price. We have the season's best styles, and this is the time for those folks who really want the very best quality for the least money.

LAUNDRY
It's a business with us, and we surround that business with all the advantages that are to be had. Jet White Steam and Hand Laundry, 80 and 82 Church street, New Brunswick, N. J. Phone 47. J18-tf

Corset Shop
343 George street.

ANDERSON SAYS WAR WOULD END IF CHRIST HAD CHANCE
Declares European Nations Could Not Continue Fighting if They Lived Up to Their Religion—Good Afternoon Meeting.

That the European war would never have occurred if the warring nations had paid as much attention to Christianity as they have to "church-anity," and that it would end now if Christ were only given a chance, was the declaration made by Dr. Anderson yesterday afternoon in a stirring sermon on the war.

300 GIVE TESTIMONY AT SERVICE
First Public Testimonial at Tabernacle Draws a Big Crowd—Impressive Sight as Many Go Forward to Get Prayer Cards.

The first call for a public testimonial of any sort was issued by Rev. George Wood Anderson at the tabernacle last night, and the response was more than gratifying.

Motion to Quash In Excise Scandal Denied by Daly
Argument was heard by Judge Daly in the county court today on a motion by Thomas Brown, attorney for James A. Mullen and Adolph C. Koyen, members of the Board of Excise Commissioners of Perth Amboy, to quash an indictment against Mullen and Koyen for malfeasance in office.

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CHARITY EUCHE and 600, auspices of Ladies of the Sacred Heart Parish, Parochial Hall, Jan. 12, at 8.15. Admission 25 cents. J6-7c

N. B. Trust Company Re-elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the directors of the New Brunswick Trust Company held yesterday, the following officers were re-elected:

SOCIALISTS' CONVICTIONS SET ASIDE
Judge Daly Finds Recorder Feaster Was Without Jurisdiction in Convicting Brendel, Alberson, Bright and Sipsos—Held Street Meeting Without Permit.

Announcement was made by Judge Daly in the county court today of his finding in the review of convictions obtained before Recorder Joseph J. Feaster on Saturday, September 16, 1916, when Matthew Brendel, Ambrose Alberson, Leonard Bright and Henry Sipsos were adjudged guilty of violating Section 1 of an ordinance adopted by the City Commission to govern the holding of street parades and gatherings upon the public street.

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THAW GLAD HE MISSED HIS JUGULAR
Tells Detective He Is Sorry for Suicide Attempt—Will Recover in Two Weeks—To Be Extradited to New York.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.—Harry K. Thaw will recover. Physicians stated today that Thaw's attempt to take his own life yesterday would not prove fatal. After spending a comfortable night, he awoke this morning with a desire to live.

PARKITES ARGUE FOR REDUCTIONS IN ASSESSMENTS
County Tax Board Hears 21 Appeals—Bargains Offered, But No Takers—Decisions Are Reserved.

The Middlesex County Board of Taxation took up the tax appeals from Highland Park today at a hearing in the county record building and considered twenty-one appeals, reserving decision in a majority of the cases.

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