

BURIED ALIVE

**Beneath a Tremendous Weight
of Bricks and Mortar.**

**John Hassett and Michael F. Doyle the
Victims of a Frightful Disaster,**

**Caused by the Blowing Down
of a Chimney.**

**A Third Man Severely
Injured.**

The thousand or more accidents to public and private property, occasioned by the terrific wind storm of last night, sink into insignificance, and are scarcely worthy of consideration, in comparison with the deplorable calamity which befel two worthy citizens, and caused their untimely death.

Shortly after 12 o'clock, midnight, when the gale was at its worst, the tall brick smoke-stack of the Buckeye Brewery was blown down, falling with

A TREMENDOUS CRASH,

which awoke the residents within a radius of several hundred yards.

Those who were thus disturbed from their slumber, knowing that no ordinary occurrence could have caused such a loud noise, hastily slipped into their clothing and proceeded in the direction whence the terrible sound had proceeded. They were guided to the scene of the accident by the agonized cries for assistance which arose therefrom.

There was some difficulty in obtaining lights, but as soon as the place was illuminated, the nature of the calamity was apparent. A large portion of the chimney had fallen through the roof of the boiler-room

BURYING TWO MEN,

who had been sitting there, beneath a mass of bricks and mortar, and severely injuring a third, who, fortunately, had been stationed near the door, somewhat out of the direct range of the falling mass.

The three unfortunate men were Patrolman John Hassett, Ex-Officer and Special Policeman M. F. Doyle, and Anton Schiniski, night watchman of the premises.

Schiniski was found lying near the door leading into the brewery. He was badly hurt about the left side and shoulder, but no serious results, in his case, are anticipated.

As soon as the rescuing party arrived, Schiniski informed them that two policemen were buried under the ruins of the chimney, at a short distance from himself.

The crushed mangled and bleeding form of poor Hassett was soon found, and extricated from beneath the terrible weight of debris. Life was not extinct, but the death of the sufferer at no distant hour was a foregone conclusion. Hassett was removed to an adjoining building. A few moments later, the searchers found the dead body of ex-Patrolman Doyle who had probably been

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MICHAEL F. DOYLE,

the other victim, was for several years a member of the Police Force, and since he gave up his position he has applied for re-appointment. He has retained special police powers all along. His reason for resigning was to enable him to take a situation in the law office of his brother, now Judge Doyle, as accountant, etc. He worked in that capacity up to the time of his brother's elevation to the bench, but for some time past he has been disengaged, with the exception of doing some collecting business with which he was entrusted. He also leaves a family, consisting of a wife and four children. Doyle served his country faithfully during the war of the rebellion, and was a member in good standing of the Grand Army of the Republic at the time of his death. His late residence was at No. 799 Huron street.

Since his appointment as a member of the Police Force, Officer Hassett has been in the habit of going into the engine-room of the Buckeye Brewery to eat his lunch, and Doyle has sometimes accompanied him. This was the case last night. The engine-room is a part of a one-story attachment to the main building. The chimney the falling of which caused the disaster, was about 75 feet high, and stood to the north of the boiler-room. It fell in a southerly direction, across the center of the roof.

Schiniski, the night watchman, was severely, but not seriously injured. He was conveyed in a carriage to his residence on Lagrange street, where his injuries were attended to by physicians.

THE REMAINS

of Hassett and Doyle were removed to the Central Police Station, where they were allowed to remain until about 8 o'clock this morning, at which time they were removed to their late homes.

Copier Hohly, who was notified with respect to the accident, considered that an inquest, under the circumstances was unnecessary.

Expressions of regret at the terrible catastrophe are heard on every hand, especially among the members of Police Force and the immediate friends of the deceased. Hassett, though not well-known to a majority of his fellow officers, was rapidly becoming a favorite. Doyle was very popular with all who knew him, and his circle of acquaintances was quite extensive.

This evening at 6 o'clock, a meeting of the Police Force will be held at the Station House for the purpose of making arrangements for the funeral, etc.

DISBURSEMENTS.

March	6.	Paid to Mrs. Jno. Hasset, widow of deceased officer John Hasset, by order of the Board,	\$55 60
May	22.	Returned to officer Enright, fine as- sessed Dec. 30, 1879,	30 00
"	21.	Paid to A. Dennison for witness fees,	50
"	21.	" N. Doty " "	50
"	21.	" Geo. And " "	50
"	21.	" Thos. Tiernan, " "	50
"	21.	" Tim Sullivan, " "	50
"	24.	Paid baggage of emigrants,	25
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			\$88 35
Balance on hand January 1, 1881,			\$448 85

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB ROMEIS,

Mayor and President of Police Board.

JNO. H. MCGUIRE,

Secretary of Police Commissioners.

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