

# PARKERSBURG.

## Disastrous Fire — A Wheeling Insurance Company Suffers.

Special Dispatch to the Register.

PARKERSBURG, February 27.

A disastrous fire broke out at one o'clock, this morning, beginning with the large foundry and machine shop of M. J. Leese & Co., on Kanawha street, and extending to and up Market street half a square. A strong wind prevailed, and our splendid engine with splendid management alone saved that part of the city. The loss is estimated from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars. The insurance is held as follows: J. W. Mitchell & Co., \$1,000, in the Home of N. Y.; J. Calahan, \$500 each in the People's of New Jersey, Westchester and Jefferson; Elliott Deen, \$1,200 in the German of Wheeling. The machine shop was the only building of great value. Incendiarism undoubtedly.

Associated Press Dispatch.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., February 27. —Early this morning a fire at Skidmore's foundry, corner of Market and Kanawha streets, destroyed that building and Callahan's Hotel, adjoining. The wind was blowing a gale and the flames spread to a block of business houses, destroying all together ten buildings. Loss \$25,000.