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The public test of the Holly water works came off on Wednesday. The first test at 11 A. M., throwing two streams for twenty minutes, from two hydrants, at opposite corners of the Public Square, was accomplished. The second test at 1:30, throwing six streams through one inch nozzles, one hundred feet high, for forty minutes, was a success in throwing the water, but, judging by the eye, the height was not reached. The third test at 2:30 on the highest elevation, on the north end of Wick avenue, throwing three streams, one inch nozzles, one hundred feet high for twenty minutes, was not successful, the water falling far short of the required height. It now became evident that the test would fail or that something was wrong. On investigation a stop valve in

the main pipe, near the works, inclosed in a sunken box, was found partly turned, thus shutting off part of the flow. No one knows when or by whom this was done, and why it was done is matter of conjecture. The valve was fully opened, and at 3:30 the fourth test occurred, throwing eight streams for thirty minutes. A pole had been raised from the roof of Packard's block, on the top of which a round hat was set at the height of one hundred feet, and an effort was to be made to knock off the hat. This test, as to height, was a success at this stream. The spray was thrown some twenty feet above the hat, and the hat was struck with considerable force, several times. Once it was raised and turned on one side, but was not thrown off. The other streams also reached the requisite height. The fifth test was to be a trial at 4:20, between Holly Works and steamers through two hundred feet of hose for twenty minutes at the Tod House, the steamer obtaining its supply from the hotel cistern. The steamer was in readiness when it was found that water would not flow from the hydrant, and shortly after the report came that one of the pipes at the water works had burst. The pipe had burst at a pressure of one hundred and sixty pounds to the square inch, during the second trial of the test at the highest elevation on Wick avenue, the water suddenly stopping its flow as the stream was reaching the one hundred feet elevation. The section which failed was the elevated horizontal part of the supply pipe in the water works building. A piece nearly one-half the circumference of the pipe, which is fourteen inches in diameter and about five feet long, was thrown across the building against the wall, and the house was instantly flooded. Examination shows that the section was defective when it was put in. A new section has been ordered from the manufactory, and the works will probably be in operation in a day or two, when they will be tested anew.

A large number of people assisted in decoration exercises. A procession, consisting of a band of music, a long file of young ladies and misses arrayed in white, carrying flowers and wreaths of evergreen, the fire and rescue companies, clergy, city officers and citizens, marched to the cemetery, where, after an appropriate prayer by Rev. D. H. Evans, and an elegant address by M. W. Johnson, Esq., the graves were decorated. Near sundown the soldiers' monument in the Square was decorated with appropriate exercises. The stores were generally closed, and business suspended in the afternoon and evening.