Fire Destroys Hopper Building 1908 HEAVY LOSS BY FIRE MONDAY NIGHT Stock of Keys & Keys and Hopper building Burned

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About 11:30 o'clock Monday evening the Hopper Building on the corner of Jackson and Winnie Streets and occupied by the firm of Keys & Keys, dealers in Hardware and Furniture, was discovered to be on fire. The fire had gained considerable headway before the alarm could be given and nothing could be done until the building had been reduced to ashes. A light breeze was blowing from the north and it was with some difficulty that the Strother Tin Ship and other buildings on the south side of the street were saved.

Only a few articles of furniture were saved from the stock of Keys & Keys, who estimate their loss at about \$8,200, which was covered with \$6,000 in insurance.

The building was a substantial brick structure and was owned F.M. Hopper, of Elk City. We are unable to learn the estimate value or insurance carried on this building.

A brick building belonging to Mr. Hopper was burned on the same spot something over three years ago.