The Lombard Street Riots of 1844

Directions: Using the link provided, please visit the informative website about your particular historical event. When we review this information, we will review the information about the Kensington Street Riots as well. It is at that point that you will fill out your abbreviated questions for that material.

Go to this website to answer the following questions 1-6:

http://www.philaplace.org/story/62/

1. Which two ethnic groups fought during the riot? What was the celebration that ignited the violence there?

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3. Describe the economic and social backgrounds of each of the two sides fighting in the riot. Why do you think economic competition can lead to such social unrest?
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4. Considering the fact that both ethnic groups were so similar in terms of societal placement and economic opportunity, it may seem strange that the two groups didn’t feel more “alike.” Why do you think, using information found in the article, both sides escalated the conflict so quickly? What could both sides have done to minimize the conflict?
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Section II: Taking Notes on the Lombard Street Riots:

6. In complete sentences, first describe the causes of the Kensington Street Riots. Then, compare and contrast the Kensington Street Riots with the Lombard Street Riots.

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