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City of San Francisco in Ruins From Earthquake and Conflagration Over 200 People Killed and Property Loss Exceeds \$200,000,000



PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE STRICKEN CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, SHOWING SECTION OF CITY DESTROYED.

FLAMES, UNCHECKED, STILL SWEEP THE CITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT ESCAPES THE WORST—RELIEF MEASURES UNDER WAY 100,000 PEOPLE ARE ALREADY HOMELESS

Conflagration in Wholesale and Business District Follows Earthquake Shock, Which Damages Every Home in the City and Spreads Devastation For Many Miles Around—Finest Buildings Among the Ruins—Troops Now Rule the City—Food Supplies Ordered to be Placed at Disposal of the Afflicted.

San Francisco, April 18.—(10 p. m.)—It now looks as if the entire city would be burned. Thousands of people are fleeing to the hills. It is believed the damage has reached \$200,000,000. At Santa Rosa nearly 300 persons are dead.

The burned district extends from the water front south of Market-street to Market-street and west to Eleventh-street, north of Market. The fire extends out Hayes and McAllister-streets nearly to Fillmore and from the water front along Market to Montgomery, and north from the water front to Montgomery north.

Washington, April 18.—The first message received from Gen. Funston arrived here at 11:40 o'clock to-night, as follows:

"Secretary of War, Washington.—We need thousands of tents, and all the rations that can be sent. The business portion of the city destroyed and about 100,000 people homeless. Fire still raging. Troops all on duty assisting the police. Loss of life probably 1000. Best part of residence district not yet burned.

"Funston."

Orders will go forward from the war department to-morrow to the adjacent posts, to carry out Gen. Funston's recommendations.

San Francisco, April 18.—Earthquake and fire to-day have put nearly half of San Francisco in ruins. At least 200 persons have been killed, a thousand injured, and the property loss will exceed \$100,000,000. Thousands of persons are homeless and destitute, and all day long streams of persons have been fleeing to places of safety.

It was 5:15 this morning when a terrible earthquake shock shook the whole city and surrounding country. One shock apparently lasted two minutes, and there was almost immediate collapse of flimsy structures all over the city.

The dreadful earthquake shock came without warning at 5:13 o'clock this morning, its motion apparently being from east to west. At first the upheaval of the earth was gradual, but in a few seconds it increased in intensity. Chimneys began to fall and buildings to crack, tottering from their foundations.

The people became panic stricken, and rushed into the streets, most of them in their night attire. They were met by showers of falling buildings, cornices, and walls.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Many were instantly crushed to death, while others were dreadfully mangled. Those who remained indoors generally escaped with their lives, the scores were hit by detached plaster, pictures and articles thrown to the floor by the shock.

It is believed that more or less loss was sustained by nearly every family in the city.

The water supply was cut off and when fires broke out in various sections there was nothing to do but let the buildings burn. Telegraph and telephone communication was cut off for a time. The Western Union was put completely out of business and the Postal Company was the only one that managed to get a wire out of the city. About 10 o'clock even the Postal was forced to suspend. Electrical power was stopped and street cars did not run. Railroads and ferry boats also ceased operations.

FIRES RAGE ALL DAY.

The various fires have been raging all day and the fire department has been powerless to do anything except dynamite buildings threatened. All day long explosions have shaken the city and added to the terror of the inhabitants.

Banks and commercial houses, supposed to be fireproof, the not of modern build, burned quickly, and the roar of the flames could be heard even on the hills.

Here, many thousands of people congregated and viewed the awful scene. Great sheets of flame rose high in the heavens or rushed down some narrow street, joining midway between the sidewalks.

The dense smoke that arose from the fire districts spread out like an immense funnel and could have been seen miles out at sea. Occasionally, as some drug house or place stored with chemicals was reached, most fantastic effects were produced by the colored flames and smoke, which rolled out against the darker background.

Following the first shock, there was another within five minutes, but not nearly so severe. Three hours later there was another slight quake.

GREAT DAMAGE

Reports from districts outside of San Francisco indicate widespread damage.

San Jose, 50 miles south, lost many buildings, and from 15 to 20 persons were killed. The annex of the Vendome Hotel collapsed and the fires broke out.

Stanford University and Palo Alto suffered. At Stanford many of the handsome buildings were demolished and two persons were killed. One of them was Julius Hanna of Bradford, Pa., and the other was Otto Gurtz, a fireman. Six other students are lying seriously hurt in the Palo Alto Hospital.

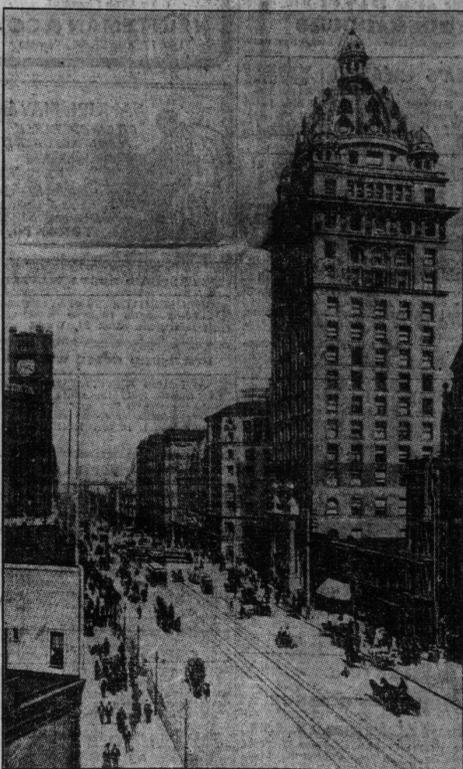
RECLAIMED LAND AIDS RUIN.

The greatest destruction occurred in that section of the city which was reclaimed from San Francisco Bay. Much of the devastated district was at one time, low, marshy ground, covered by water at high tide. As the city grew it became necessary to fill in many acres of this low ground in order to reach deep water.

The Merchants' Exchange Building a fourteen-story steel structure,

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MARKET STREET—SAN FRANCISCO.



Showing the Magnificent Building of the "Call" Newspaper, Totally Destroyed.

Losses Up in Millions Damage Thruout State

At Salinas, Cal., \$1,200,000 is Estimated Loss—Preckel's Sugar Factory Destroyed With a Loss of \$1,500,000—Bridal C. A. P. H. I.

Salinas, Cal., April 18.—At 5:15 a.m. a ten-day three earthquake shock shook Salinas, lasting respectively five, three and forty-two seconds. They came from the northeast and southwest. The damage \$1,200,000. No lives were lost.

A. Armstrong of Santa Cruz jumped from the window of the Jeffries House and broke a leg. Among the buildings destroyed are the Ford and Stanbury building, drygoods, masonic building, Knights of Pythias building, Armory, Porter & Irving's store, Logan Cyclopedia, Oddfellow's building, city hall and several smaller buildings.

Every window in the city was broken. Chimneys toppled over and crashed thru roofs. Spreckels sugar factory, three miles from town, was destroyed, causing damage of \$1,500,000. The high school building was wrecked. Several stores lost their entire stock.

At 2:25 p.m. another shock was experienced, but no lives were lost. Several men, women and children were cut about the face by flying glass. There is intense excitement.

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INSURANCE COMPANIES PAY CLAIMING NO TECHNICAL DISCRIMINATION

Whether Loss is by Shock or Flames, Claims Will Be Met—Some Local Companies Are Interested.

San Francisco, April 18.—Commissioner Wolf announced at noon that the eighty odd fire insurance companies interested had decided to pay dollar for dollar to every one insured with them. The companies will not discriminate between fire and earthquake, and every one insured will be paid to the extent of the loss. But two of the companies affected are Pacific Coast concerns, the others having principal offices in the east or in Europe.

"How will the San Francisco fire following the earthquake hit insurance companies having local branches in Toronto?"

The answer of insurance men themselves is that practically every company, outside of those purely Canadian, is interested to a greater or less degree, but in the absence of definite information as to the extent of the spread, there is a general disposition to decline to discuss probable results upon the companies. It is generally declared that the loss, while it will be serious, will be fairly well divided to be particularly felt in any one quarter.

A point to which G. S. Lyon, local agent for the Sun Insurance Co., drew attention was that insurance companies, under the stipulations in leasing policies, would not be liable in cases where fire had broken out in buildings which had previously collapsed. While his company was undoubtedly a good deal interested, he could not say to what extent.

Rumor Denied.

Whilst almost all the local insurance managers are at Montreal attending the Underwriters' Association meeting, the conflagration supplied a busy topic around the offices. One reporter credited the British America and Western Assurance companies, the only Canadian ones carrying risks in the United States, with being heavily interested.

Secretary C. C. Foster of the Western said that this was not the case. The losses suffered were no greater than those of the average insurance company doing business in Toronto; in fact, he believed they were somewhat less. The amount had been reduced a few months ago, because it was considered that such a step was desirable to equalize the distribution, and as a matter of precaution. The Western carried somewhat more lines than did the British America.

Rated as Risky.

W. H. Banks, assistant secretary of the British America, said that so far, at least, he was aware, that company and the Western were the only Canadian ones that carried insurance in San Francisco. Their loss would not be very heavy.

"The section where the fire is spreading

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THE SHOCK DESCRIBED

Washington, April 18.—The great San Francisco earthquake of April 18, 1906, was registered upon the Bosch-Omiria seismograph at the weather bureau office at Washington, beginning at 8 hours, 19 minutes, twenty seconds, 75th meridian time. The record shows a disturbance of considerable magnitude at Washington, altho not severe enough to be felt by individuals.

The stronger wave motion began at 8:25 a.m., that is about five minutes after the first perceptible tremors. The recording pen was carried entirely off the record sheet by the violence of the motion from 8:32 to 8:35 a.m. After the latter time the motion gradually diminished over a longer period of time, but did not entirely cease until about 12:35 p.m.

The vibratory motion of the ground at Washington was really a comparatively slow and deliberate motion, each back and forth movement taking 15 to 20 seconds of time. The largest movement of the ground registered before the pen went off the sheet amounted to about four-tenths of an inch, or 8 to 10 millimeters, and the movement nearly one-half inch in the surface of the earth in this city.

MARRIAGES.

CAMERON-JACKSON—Toronto, on April 18th, 1906, by the Rev. J. H. Sisco, Edna, eldest daughter of E. C. Jackson, 221 Wilson-avenue to J. Hector Cameron of Jackson's Point, Ont.

DEE-ROSS—At St. Margaret's Church, by Rev. R. J. Moore, on Tuesday, April 17th, Richard H. Dee to Miss Louise P. Ross, both of Toronto.

KAPPELE-BICKNELL—On Wednesday, April 18th, 1906, at Toronto, by the Rev. James A. Rankin, Minnie, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Stephen Kappele, to James Bicknell, R. C.

PATERSON-DAVIDSON—At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Geo. Davidson, West Gerrard-street, East Toronto, on Wednesday, April 18th, by the Rev. Mr. Ferguson, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Rogers, Bertha J. Davidson to James L. Paterson.

HENDRIE-MINTON—At the Mansie, Richmond Hill, on Wednesday, April 11, 1906, by the Rev. James Grant, Robert Wright Hendrie of Newtonbrook, to Annie May, eldest daughter of William Minton of Willowdale.

DEATHS.

FOSTER—On the 18th inst., Frank Foster, commercial traveler, in his 55th year. Funeral from his son-in-law's residence (W. B. Hughes, 507 1/2 Parliament-street), on Friday, 20th inst., at 2 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation.

McCREIGHT—April 16, very suddenly, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Harrington, Danforth, Miss. Jane McCreight, widow of the late James McCreight, aged 72 years.

Funeral on Wednesday, April 18, to Dauphin Cemetery.

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WHERE THE QUAKE WAS FELT CALIFORNIA CITIES HEAVY SUFFERERS

Shock Recorded All Over Continent—California State Insane Asylum Has Collapsed.

From north to south and from east to west the continent of America felt the shock.

California alone suffered, but adjoining states as far east as Washington and as far north as Ottawa, felt the vibration so far as the delicate seismograph instruments are concerned.

Telegraph operators in the western states were unable to receive messages. At the Western Union office in New York yesterday morning the wire was continually disturbed and operators could not account for the disturbance, only as caused by the shocks as 'Frisco. The seismic vibrations caused an unwanted clicking in the instruments.

Yesterday from the meteorological office in Queen's Park the following bulletin was issued by Director Sturpart:

"The San Francisco earthquake was well recorded by the seismograph at the Toronto Observatory. The first earth tremors reached Toronto four minutes and 35 seconds after the reported time of the quake at San Francisco, and the larger surface waves were recorded after an interval of 23 minutes and 16 seconds, indicating a velocity of 3.3 kilometres per second. The amplitude of the swing of the Toronto pendulum was about 20 millimetres, showing a tilting of the spherule on which the instrument rests of nearly 13 seconds of arc."

At 1 o'clock a bulletin from Ottawa read:

"The vibrations resulting from the quake at San Francisco were recorded by the seismograph at the Dominion Observatory at the Central Experimental Farm. The preliminary tremors began at eight hours nine minutes 30 seconds in the morning. The principal part of the disturbance occurred at 8 hours 30 minutes and 30 seconds and the maximum disturbance occurred at 8:35. When the sheet was taken off at 8:50 quakes were still being recorded, but not so violently."

At Albany, N.Y., the seismograph in the geological hall showed marked agitation at 8:26 o'clock in the morning and continued the record for about an hour. The vibration was shown to come from west to east."

Wires Down in Nevada.—At the offices of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad in New York,

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\$5.75 buys a good motor boat. What else offers so much for the money? See one at Nicholls Brothers, Limited, foot of York Street Bridge.

Dineen's Storing Furs.—The recent warm weather has caused activity in the fur trade. Those who have fur garments to put away until next winter are having them re-treated, brushed and folded, ready for the camphor box. Dineen's, corner Yonge and Temperance, are making a specialty of this work at this season of the year. Phone Main 1054.

PROBABILITIES.—Southerly and easterly winds, partly fair and moderately warm, with scattered showers.

OUR ANNIVERSARY.—It is two years ago to-night since Toronto thought that the biggest calamity that could happen had visited this city. The \$10,000,000 blaze that night looked like a bonfire compared with San Francisco's dreadful experience.