

SCIENTISTS WORKED WHILE LAVA FELL ABOUT HIM

Graphic Description of Recent Eruption at Vesuvius

How Professor Matteucci and His Little Band Were Cut Off from the Outside World While Perfect Inferno Raged Around Them.

NAPLES, April 14.—After a hard ride on horseback up the side of the mountain, the correspondents of the Associated Press today succeeded in reaching the highest habitable point on Vesuvius, where Prof. Matteucci, director of the Royal observatory, has courageously held his post throughout the eruption.

Covered with dust. As he came forward to greet the correspondent his black and ash-colored face and hands were covered with a fine dust of volcanic ash.

The real danger began the middle of last week. Then an enormous stream of lava came from the summit, meeting the other streams which burst from the lower strata until it was that overwhelming Bosotroce.

At midnight of Saturday, Prof. Matteucci ordered the women and children of the household removed. This was just before the fall of huge stones began and I was left with Professor Perrett of New York, my American assistant, and two domestics.

No thought of sleep. "No one thought of sleep, but stood gazing at the awful scene. At 3 o'clock in the morning the lowest station seemed to be burning, and at 3.30 o'clock the whole cone broke open with a tremendous earthquake shock.

Observation difficult. "Observation was extremely difficult under such disturbing conditions. The seismic instruments were badly affected by the electrical intensity, each explosion being accompanied by a violent movement of the instruments, which seemed ready to burst into pieces.

bled the noise made by the seismograph when affected by a violent explosion. "Compared with other great eruptions," continued the observer, "this is one of the most important in the history of Vesuvius. Its effects are less terrible than those of the eruption in the year '79, when Pompeii was buried, but it equals in intensity the great eruptions of 1635 and 1872. What results this eruption will yield to science is not yet certain.

A strange picture. These lay in distorted masses like an ice jam. Naples was faintly visible below through a curtain of smoke. As the correspondent journeyed a new crater suddenly burst and from the summit of the volcano enormous masses of sand and vapor ascended.

These are very precious stones. Some of them were hit me at one time or another. They represent my wounds. He then led the way to his sleeping quarters, which showed the confusion that existed throughout the domestic branch of the observatory during the eruption.

A magnificent spectacle. Mount Vesuvius presented a magnificent spectacle from this point of vantage at the observatory. This was inside the outer circle of smoke which hules the volcano from Naples.

The greater monster stood out clearly under the bright sunlight. It was then that he saw a snow-covered mountain, for the ashes had changed its former deep green color. Its contour had changed. The gigantic jagged one no longer rose like the setting of an enormous jeweled ring.

The most terrible moment. The most terrible moment came Saturday night. I had gone to Bosotroce for the purpose of photographing eruptions that were being directed from that town. I returned to the observatory about midnight. The dynamic force of the crater increased foremostly and new crater mouths opened in the mountain side within ten minutes of each other.

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arms, some of the latter having bright new toys, the result of the misplaced charity from the fashionable villas. Portici was a sorry sight. The houses were streaked with mud and ashes up to the window sills. Five hundred refugees were gathered before the city hall demanding help.

Toward the top of the mountain the picture was one of utter desolation. But natives, strangely persistent and unafraid, emerged from their dugouts with milk and eggs, offering milk and eggs to the party. Vesuvius has no terrors for them. While descending after the interview with Professor Matteucci the sounds of machine came from one of the dugouts which was scarcely visible above the desert of ashes.

Detectives recover stolen property. Boon companions of Edward McDonald relieve him of his wad—Matter was settled.

Edward P. McDonald is stated to be today nearly two hundred dollars richer than he was at the end of last week. He permits him to own upon his pocket detecting force. On Thursday last Mr. McDonald had a roll of bills in his pocket amounting to the cool figure of one hundred and fifty dollars.

Moncton news. MONCTON, N. B., April 15.—The season's navigation on the Petitcodiac river opened yesterday, when on last night's tide the schooner Free Trade, from Eastport, Maine, arrived in port. The steamer Wilfred C. Will, put on the river today this week and leaves for St. John tomorrow. She will arrive here Tuesday.

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Burdock Blood Bitters THE BEST SPRING MEDICINE Banishes Bad Blood For Sale at All Druggists and Dealers

Government Ideas Lighten "Dough" Boys' Burden. LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 14.—For years, on an island ever since the civil war, the war department has been experimenting with different kinds of metal for the purpose of reducing the weight of articles that have to be carried by the infantry soldier in the field.

Wanted British Crews on British Vessels. Royal Commission on the Navigation Bill Reports—Naval Reserve Suggested for Australia. SYDNEY, April 12.—The forthcoming report of the Royal Commission on the Federal Navigation Bill recommends that preference be extended to British ship owners and producers on the basis that the ships shall be manned by a substantial proportion of British citizens, or shall be carrying cargoes of which a substantial proportion shall be of British manufacture or origin.

Dropped Dead Daniel Lockhart of This City Dropped Dead at Bath, Me., Last Evening. News of the sudden death of Daniel Lockhart, of Bath, Me., came in a despatch to Chief of Police Clark early yesterday evening. The deceased left St. John on Friday last for Danforth, where he intended to do some business.



Soldier in Heavy Marching Equipment

Government gives or sells to him, from one post to another when he is ordered to exchange stations. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American war the soldier was yet equipped with the old-fashioned equipment of a halberd, bayonet and a sword.

May Buy the Halifax Herald. HALIFAX, April 15.—C. F. Jameson of the Amherst Telegram is in the city. He was sent for by W. B. Ritchie, president of the Conservative Club, and others for the purpose of consulting about buying the Halifax Herald or starting another tory paper in this city.

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Express Agents Carry Out Their Threat to Strike. 177 Offices All Over the I. C. R. are Affected—Manager Creighton of the Canadian Express Co. Says the Smaller Offices Will be Closed.

The Intercolonial operators who have been acting as agents for the Canadian Express Co., went on strike Saturday night at twelve o'clock and there seems no prospect of settlement.

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Growds Gheered Voliva as He Criticized Dowie's Actions. First of the Batch of Documentary Evidence by Which the Overseer Hopes to Put Dowie Out for Good—Amicable Settlement Hoped For.

CHICAGO, April 15.—General Overseer Glenn Voliva produced the first of his batch of documentary evidence today by which he hopes to overthrow completely John Alexander Dowie and his followers who are endeavoring to regain control of Zion city. The instrument was a letter written under date of April 13, 1904, and addressed to Dowie, who was then in Zurich, Switzerland.

Will Meet in May. TORONTO, April 14.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Wheelmen's Association, called for today, owing to the absence of the president and secretary has been adjourned until May at the call of the executive committee.

Held for Murder. MONTREAL, April 15.—The coroner's jury on Saturday held James Hackett murdering little Edith May Ahern. The first steamer arrived in port Saturday, the R. and O. ferry steamer Boucherville. The river boats will begin trips by the middle of the week, but it will probably be along towards the end of the month before the steamships begin arriving from the sea.

DEAN PARTRIDGE AWAY... Biscuit and Different Shapes, Moulds in all Shapes, Cream Bread Bands, Cake Mixer, Steam Cookers, Perfection Pie Plates, Egg Beaters, We Should, W. H. THORNE