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REPAIRS ARE NOW FULLY COMPLETED

Later Advances from Valparaiso Say Earthquake was Most Disasterous One --- Shocks Continued All Day Friday---Property Damage Enormous and Many Lives Were Lost.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—What appears to be positive confirmation of the rumors of destruction of property and loss of life caused by the earthquake shock in the vicinity of Valparaiso is contained in an Associated Press despatch received today (Saturday) from Galveston, Tex. The cable office in that city, communicating direct with the cable operator at Valparaiso, learned that Valparaiso was in turmoil and buildings were wrecked, with the belief that a great loss of life had occurred.

Los Andes, also known as Andes and Santa Rosa De Los Andes, is a town of Chile, province of Aconcagua, 18 miles from San Felipe De Aconcagua, capital of the province of Aconcagua. San Felipe is forty miles north of Santiago, with which it is connected by rail. NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The Herald today prints the following: Valparaiso, Chile, Friday. (via Galveston, Texas). Weakened, the slightest tremor of warning an earthquake visited this city at 8 o'clock last night, bringing instant death to hundreds of persons and leaving many hundreds more imprisoned in the ruins, many of whom were burned to death. Fire started immediately after the first shock and every branch of the city's service is paralyzed.

HAMBURG, Aug. 18.—The North German bank today received from its correspondent at the Banco de Chile Alemania at Valparaiso the following despatch: "All well. Bank building only slightly damaged. Many houses destroyed by fire; we are unable to state extent of damage; banks closed." BREMEN, Aug. 18.—A private despatch received here from Iquique, Chile, states that the city was unharmed by the earthquake. HONOLULU, Aug. 18.—Wireless reports from the islands of Hawaii and Johnston at a tidal wave, the general height of which was five feet. In the enclosed bay of Maalea, on the island of Maui, its height was estimated to be 12 feet, where it carried away a wharf and its superstructure. The phenomenon was manifested by an unprecedented heavy surf. Soon after the second shock had settled it became known that the business part of the town was doomed. From the Bellavista section little was heard but before midnight fires were seen burning there and it was learned that that section of the city was also doomed. Many landslides have occurred around the city, and a great number of lives have been lost. It is impossible to state the number of deaths in the city but it is believed that there are several hundreds, many of whom are still in the ruins. It has laid waste the best part of the business portion of the city. The captain of a German vessel, Frun, who arrived today, stated that when 20 miles at sea he could see the flames rising in Valparaiso. Many inhabitants are terrified and the general excitement is very slow. At the Bellavista district, which is in the hills behind the city, and in the most select residence district of Valparaiso, apparently suffered the same fate that overtook Nob Hill in San Francisco.

SCHOONER IN COLLISION

The Machias correspondent of the Bangor Commercial, under date of Aug. 17th, says: "Capt. James Lindsey, of the schooner Harvest Home, arrived in Machias Thursday, and reported that she was run down by the Ventura, a British brigantine of 300 tons, bound from St. John, N. B., with a cargo of coal. The collision occurred on Sunday morning, Aug. 12, off Cape Cod, not far from Nauset Light. The Harvest Home was dismasted, the rigging torn away, her bow stove in and her boats smashed. Capt. Lindsey and the crew of two men were taken aboard the Ventura and afterwards put aboard the fishing boat Lion of Petit Manan, and landed at Harrington Wednesday night. The Ventura proceeded on her course with a broken bowsprit and a torn foresail. Capt. Lindsey was a part owner of the Harvest Home and when Thursday said there was no sign of fire aboard his schooner when he left her and he does not believe that she was derelict with the charter party reported by the captain of the schooner Etha B. Aug. 14. He expects to hear later that his vessel has been picked up and towed into port for salvage as she was heavily laden with a cargo of lumber bound from Machias to Providence. The schooner Harvest Home, built from Ellsworth, and was built in Lamoine in 1870. She registered 78 tons. The brigantine Ventura arrived in port last Thursday from Elizabethport, N. J., with her jibboom broken and her head gear carried away. The crew of two men were taken aboard the Ventura and afterwards put aboard the fishing boat Lion of Petit Manan, and landed at Harrington Wednesday night. The Ventura proceeded on her course with a broken bowsprit and a torn foresail. Capt. Lindsey was a part owner of the Harvest Home and when Thursday said there was no sign of fire aboard his schooner when he left her and

"REID'S FOLLY" TO BE RAZED; PASSING OF A LANDMARK

With the removal of Reid's observatory a familiar structure passes from Mount Pleasant. The lofty octagon tower has been the subject of much comment, not only among St. John people, but with tourists from across the border and elsewhere. Only comparatively few, however, were privileged to mount the long passage-way to the top of the structure which afforded probably the finest view of the city and surrounding country that could be had in St. John. The present observatory, which is being torn down, by contractor Herbert Brown, is the second of its kind to have been erected by Mr. Reid; the first, which was built over twenty years ago, or shortly after the famous "Reid's Cap"

INTERESTING LIST TO SOME BUSY FACTORIES SURROUNDING AMHERST

It was characteristic of Amherst that over the doors of a number of its factories this week was the sign in large letters—"M. B. T. Welcome." It was also characteristic, when it was suggested that something be done to entertain the delegates to the maritime board of trade, that checks should be written with a liberality which made a really splendid entertainment possible. Yesterday a Times reporter set out to visit the leading Amherst factories, and very soon began to wonder if the majority of the population was not engaged in actual productive work in factories. No apology is necessary for devoting a page to Amherst and its development. Rather it is desirable. We read and hear so much about western growth and eastern decline that there is inspiration in the story of this town of only eight thousand people, which has added seven hundred to its population in a year and can boast of a great variety of manufacturing industries, extensive building operations, advanced real estate, and all the evidences of a healthy as well as rapid growth, unaided by any special advantage of location or facilities.

The Rhodes Curry Co., Ltd., is, of course, the leading Amherst industry. It takes time and a measure of endurance to go over the plant of this company, covering so large a space of ground and involving so many processes of manufacture in wood and iron. They build cars, and manufacture on the premises not only the wood-working factory in Sydney, and a branch in Halifax. They also have large yards of standing stock. They manufacture the material for houses, and also other metal work. They build every kind of car from the plain flat car, or dump car, to the passenger car, and palatial passenger coaches. They employ about 1000 men, many of whom are employed by the company in Amherst, and they have a sawmill at Athol, a wood-working factory in Sydney, and a branch in Halifax. They also have large yards of standing stock. They manufacture the material for houses, and also other metal work. They build every kind of car from the plain flat car, or dump car, to the passenger car, and palatial passenger coaches. They employ about 1000 men, many of whom are employed by the company in Amherst, and they have a sawmill at Athol, a wood-working factory in Sydney, and a branch in Halifax. They also have large yards of standing stock.

The Victor Wood Works Ltd will be the largest of the town. They are putting up a first-class brick building 75 x 150 feet, with boiler-house, drying kilns and sheds. It will be fitted with the best machinery money can buy, and the company declares they will make the factory the best of its kind in Canada. They will produce tape, goods, chiefly handles for tools and implements, made from Nova Scotia hardwood. It will employ from 30 to 75 hands, but an enlarged plant is being contemplated. The factory will be a complete year ago, and was only added a couple of years ago. The factory making this class of enamel goods in Canada. The company have lately added a new building, an enlargement of their moulding shop. Their total output for the first six months of this year was fifty per cent greater than in the like period last year. They have shipped several carloads of enamel goods and had some farmers as far west as Vancouver. Christie Bros. & Co. manufacturers of trunks, valises, suit cases, caskets and coffins, employ from 40 to 75 men. They have a large wooden warehouse, and their business, which is growing rapidly, will this year total nearly \$800,000. They ship goods into the western markets in increasing quantities, in addition to their maritime province trade. Only recently the manager advertised for hands, being unable to secure in Amherst all the skilled help needed. The company have had under consideration the establishment of a factory for fine shoes, and may yet do so. The factory is equipped with the finest machinery, and it is extremely interesting to watch the various stages of manufacture, and not how wonderfully the machines do the work. The company claim to have the largest stock room under one roof of any shoe factory in Canada.

The Hewson Woollen Mills Ltd. employ 125 hands. They started three years ago and have three times enlarged their premises. They are now adding space for making knitted goods, and when this structure is completed they will have 400 feet of brick front, four stories high, in addition to a dye-house 60 x 100 feet, while another part will be raised from one to three stories. The capital is to be increased to \$1,000,000. The company manufacture pure wool goods, with a market all over Canada. When their present extensions are completed they will have, within six months, 200 hands employed, and their works can be further extended when desirable. The completed wood-working works, the Amherst Woollen Mills, H. L. Hewson is the president and general manager. The Victor Wood Works Ltd will be the largest of the town. They are putting up a first-class brick building 75 x 150 feet, with boiler-house, drying kilns and sheds. It will be fitted with the best machinery money can buy, and the company declares they will make the factory the best of its kind in Canada. They will produce tape, goods, chiefly handles for tools and implements, made from Nova Scotia hardwood. It will employ from 30 to 75 hands, but an enlarged plant is being contemplated. The factory will be a complete year ago, and was only added a couple of years ago. The factory making this class of enamel goods in Canada. The company have lately added a new building, an enlargement of their moulding shop. Their total output for the first six months of this year was fifty per cent greater than in the like period last year. They have shipped several carloads of enamel goods and had some farmers as far west as Vancouver. Christie Bros. & Co. manufacturers of trunks, valises, suit cases, caskets and coffins, employ from 40 to 75 men. They have a large wooden warehouse, and their business, which is growing rapidly, will this year total nearly \$800,000. They ship goods into the western markets in increasing quantities, in addition to their maritime province trade. Only recently the manager advertised for hands, being unable to secure in Amherst all the skilled help needed. The company have had under consideration the establishment of a factory for fine shoes, and may yet do so. The factory is equipped with the finest machinery, and it is extremely interesting to watch the various stages of manufacture, and not how wonderfully the machines do the work. The company claim to have the largest stock room under one roof of any shoe factory in Canada.

FIFTY MEN BURIED ALIVE IN TUNNEL

BRISTOL, Va., Aug. 17.—Fifty men are entombed alive in the Clinch Mountain tunnel at Clinchport (Va.) as a result of a cave-in which occurred today. It is not known whether the men are dead or alive, but the work of rescue is being rushed as fast as possible. Air is being pumped into the tunnel and a large force of men is working in an effort toward rescue. The cave-in occurred unexpectedly and it is not known who is responsible. The men entombed are chiefly natives of the localities in the mountainous section of southwest Virginia, and the excitement and anxiety is intense. Men, women and children tonight were at the mouth of the tunnel awaiting news. Some were crying and others were hysterical for fathers, brothers and loved ones. No bodies have been recovered. The tunnel is being driven through Clinch Mountain and is to be one mile in length. It has already been extended about 70 feet and the men are a considerable distance in the hole. The contract for the tunnel was let some months ago by the South & Western R. R. at \$2,200,000 and is to be one of the longest and most expensive tunnels in the south.

PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS

VIENNA, Aug. 17.—Migrating locusts are devastating the country in the neighborhood of Debrecin, Hungary. They are sweeping through the land, eating every green thing in their path. The locusts are so numerous that they have already consumed, so that the ground is quite bare and the authorities are helpless to stay the advance of the locusts. The locusts are eating every green thing in their path. The locusts are so numerous that they have already consumed, so that the ground is quite bare and the authorities are helpless to stay the advance of the locusts. The locusts are eating every green thing in their path. The locusts are so numerous that they have already consumed, so that the ground is quite bare and the authorities are helpless to stay the advance of the locusts.

COULD TELL IT OVER OTHERS

MONTREAL, Aug. 18 (Special).—A special London cable says:—A witness in the Guildhall police court, giving evidence against a prisoner charged with passing off Canadian cheese, asserted that it was impossible to identify them, but when they left their coats in the cloak room, he was able to identify them apart from the marks on the coats. He went by the smell and taste. It was a common practice for merchants to put inferior cheese into boxes of well known brands.

MADE A NEW RECORD

QUBEC, Aug. 18 (Special).—The steamship Empress of Britain, which arrived yesterday in charge of Captain Murray, made a new record from Montreal to Rimouski, coming via the southern route in 5 days 18 hours and 40 minutes. The best previous run was held by the Empress-5 days 18 hours and 30 minutes. Among the passengers on the Britain was Wm. Hawker, of St. John.

CAPTURED IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 18.—Inspector Barton, of the local police department, tonight arrested Warren Richardson, last evening arrested at Athol, Mass., for alleged murderous assault. Search has been made for Richardson since the first of July. He has been in a logging camp in the Maine woods, it is said. He will probably be turned over to Massachusetts officials tomorrow.

ANALYSING OUR MONEY

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 18 (Special).—The inland revenue department caused 54 samples of money to be analyzed for the purpose of being genuine, the proportion being the same as when an analysis was made in 1903.

WEATHER REPORT

The fire department was called out this morning to extinguish a man from the new sidewalk on Grand street. He had got stuck fast, and it took a derrier to boost him. The city should put up danger signs wherever this new sidewalk is being laid.

SUGGESTS CHANGES IN BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Daniel Would Amend Act to Make Provincial and Local Boards of Health More Efficient --- What He Proposes as His Remedy --- Board Should Appoint Own Chief.

Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P., who is a member of the local board of health, has always taken a deep interest in its affairs, and in talking with a Times man yesterday suggested a number of changes which might be made in the act to make the provincial and local boards more efficient for doing effective work. Dr. Daniel thinks, but improvements could be made. For instance, he thinks the appointment of the chief health officer should be vested in the board instead of being made by the government. He should be given a salary sufficient to permit of his giving the whole or at least the most of his time to the duties of his office. The provincial board should be composed of a member from each of the local boards, or if that might be thought to make the board too unwieldy, giving the right to these members of local boards to be present at provincial board meetings and of voting either as a separate body or in conjunction with the provincial board. At the present time the local boards are not represented in the provincial board in any way. Dr. Daniel also thinks that every practicable physician should be paid a salary for notifying the board of cases of infectious disease. This would result in more cases being reported and the board would be in possession of information which they should have. At present physicians are required to make a report, but in many cases they delay, as they do not wish to put themselves behind a diagnosis that might possibly prove to be incorrect. One other weakness in the act is that the local boards have no money on hand to meet epidemics or emergencies. The practice is that local boards every year at a stated time send in to the municipal council an estimate of their expenditure for the year, but this estimate does not provide for anything beyond the ordinary expenditure of the year. It is therefore often the case, especially in rural counties, that the members of the board find themselves face to face with a condition that requires the immediate possession and expenditure of ready money, while they are themselves entirely without funds. Under these circumstances they can do nothing but accept any financial responsibility with the result that preventable disease may gather headway and spread to a much greater extent than it would if money were available at the time. Dr. Daniel is anxious to see the act made as efficient as possible, and thinks the boards would be in a much better condition to cope with their duties if the improvements suggested were carried out.

I. C. R. PASS QUESTION

MONTON, Aug. 18.—Notwithstanding the statements published in some quarters to the effect that the I. C. R. employees are satisfied with the reply made by Mr. Emmeron on the pass question, the agitation for further concessions is being continued. It may be said very emphatically that the employees are not satisfied in no good authority for the abuses and that they desire the same privileges for so long, viz. three passes a year for members and wives and a half rate fare for members of their families. Mr. Emmeron is expected to return to Monton tomorrow, but it is not known yet whether the committee representing the employees will seek another interview on the question now, or wait until some time later, after the employees themselves have agreed upon some united action in the matter. During the interview of the committee with the minister, deputy minister and officials here recently, it appears that some pretty plain talk on the pass question was indulged in between members of the committee and the minister and his deputy. A member of the committee is reported to have told the minister that the concessions made by the railway were entitled to pass for their wives and families as those in official authority had to receive such concessions for their families. This report is a presentation of the case from the standpoint of the minister and deputy has been the cause of considerable talk since the conference. Just what the outcome of the pass question is likely to be, I. C. R. employees say it is hard to foresee, since the railway officers have taken the matter up. The picnic held by Father H. D. Connor at Humphrey's on Wednesday in aid of a new Catholic church at that place, netted in the vicinity of \$700. William Donald, engineer in the Montmorncy Cotton Mill, James Hunter, of Montreal, a former well-known I. C. R. machinist, and Robert Stranach, of Montreal, are among former Monton men visiting their homes in this city. David McQuaid, R. J. and Miss Daisy McQuaid, of Montreal, and A. E. Jackson, wife and two children, of Johnville, Quebec, are spending a few days here with J. V. Jackson, manager of the Dominion Cotton Mill. The city has purchased over forty tons of Albertite coal, mined from the Albertite mines, in the lower end of Albert Co. George Robertson and others, owners of the property, intend working the mine, and claim to have a five foot seam. The city paid \$12 a ton for this coal, which was given a number of tests at the city works. On account of the decision of the I. C. R. authorities to charge employees 25 cents each, taking the control of the annual picnic out of the hands of the employees committee, it is said the railway outing will not be held this year. In former years employees paid 25 cents for themselves and family, but, like the pass question, the system was somewhat abused. E. S. Burns, of Boston, is visiting his brother, Cr. J. Burns, of the I. C. R. treasurer's office. Miss Mary Cooke, of Toronto, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Wilkinson. W. G. Bell has sold out his grocery business on Main street, to Chris. Berry, of Berry's Mills.

FIRE APPARATUS FOR FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, Aug. 18.—(Special).—The ratappers of St. Marys held a meeting last evening, and after a spirited discussion authorized the commissioning to ascertain the cost of a fire engine, water tank, and line of hose for fire protection purposes. An amendment authorizing the commissioning to ascertain the cost of a competent engineer with the view of securing a more modern system was voted down. This report is a presentation of the case from the standpoint of the minister and deputy has been the cause of considerable talk since the conference. Just what the outcome of the pass question is likely to be, I. C. R. employees say it is hard to foresee, since the railway officers have taken the matter up. The picnic held by Father H. D. Connor at Humphrey's on Wednesday in aid of a new Catholic church at that place, netted in the vicinity of \$700. William Donald, engineer in the Montmorncy Cotton Mill, James Hunter, of Montreal, a former well-known I. C. R. machinist, and Robert Stranach, of Montreal, are among former Monton men visiting their homes in this city. David McQuaid, R. J. and Miss Daisy McQuaid, of Montreal, and A. E. Jackson, wife and two children, of Johnville, Quebec, are spending a few days here with J. V. Jackson, manager of the Dominion Cotton Mill. The city has purchased over forty tons of Albertite coal, mined from the Albertite mines, in the lower end of Albert Co. George Robertson and others, owners of the property, intend working the mine, and claim to have a five foot seam. The city paid \$12 a ton for this coal, which was given a number of tests at the city works. On account of the decision of the I. C. R. authorities to charge employees 25 cents each, taking the control of the annual picnic out of the hands of the employees committee, it is said the railway outing will not be held this year. In former years employees paid 25 cents for themselves and family, but, like the pass question, the system was somewhat abused. E. S. Burns, of Boston, is visiting his brother, Cr. J. Burns, of the I. C. R. treasurer's office. Miss Mary Cooke, of Toronto, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Wilkinson. W. G. Bell has sold out his grocery business on Main street, to Chris. Berry, of Berry's Mills.

FOREST FIRES RAGING IN WESTMORLAND COUNTY

MELROSE, N. B., Aug. 17.—Tremendous forest fires are now raging near Melrose, Westmorland county, and unless rains come in the very near future or some strong wind to turn the fires in their course, they will burn thousands of acres of valuable land. Friday last a spark, presumably from a passing engine, set fire to some timber land owned by E. Hickey and in a short time a great blaze resulted. The fire and property was the next to suffer, as the wind was blowing from the west. At present P. G. Mahoney's camp and mills are in danger, and nothing but rain and a change on wind can save them from destruction. Twenty-five men, employed by the four land-owners above named, have been fighting the fire constantly. Mr. Mahoney logged carefully last year on the land that now is in danger and, if burned, lumbering on that property will not be in evidence for many years to come. A great effort is being made to keep the fire from crossing the track. If it succeeds in that course, communication would have to be shut off for some time. Miss Margaret McDonald, of Boston, who is visiting here, had a very narrow escape from being seriously burned this week. While driving, in company with Miss Nora Brown, past Norman's mill, a spark ignited Miss McDonald's sunshade and also some of her clothing. After some little difficulty the fire was extinguished, but not before Miss McDonald suffered a few burns.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HE'S GOT IT. The Times new reporter returned from Amherst this morning and at once invited the rest of the staff to go with him in subscribing stock to start a new industry. As the cashier had not yet handed out the weekly stipend the general show-down revealed thirteen cents, four buttons and a corker. The new reporter said he would try elsewhere. He believes St. John is just as good a location for factories as Amherst, and he is determined to establish a few in this town--or move up the line. This comes of visiting a place where every man has his own town and works for it, and where the industrial and commercial spirit is strongly developed. A delegation of peasants will be invited to fall foul of the new reporter, and talk him back again into a frame of mind more befitting this dignified and respectful city.