

One statement of the "Coast Review" shows how the modern craze for sensation leads to falsification. It says:

"The photos of earthquake effects in San Francisco are swindles. These photos were taken after the fire and dynamiting."

The burned area of San Francisco is estimated to be $4\frac{1}{4}$ square miles, the area of the city is 40 square miles including the unbuilt portions.

The built-up unburned area includes the railway districts, the family hotel and the business districts, part of the manufacturing section and of the dwelling house district. Every insurance office was destroyed.

There was considerable damage done to brick and stone buildings of inferior construction especially where foundations were in made ground. In this kind of ground, which slid and packed, the water and gas mains were broken.

The break in the surface main across a swamp was chiefly responsible for the lack of water at the fire. This big 44 inch pipe on trestles or cribbing was broken and thrown down for $\frac{3}{4}$'s of a mile.

This shows the extreme folly of making the water supply of a city dependant upon works of a cheap, flimsy character.

By the 1st inst., the water supply had been restored and a service of 33 million gallons a day provided, which indicates that the damage to the

water works has been exaggerated, as, under such conditions it would have been impossible to effect the repairs needed in less than 6 weeks, if reports had been correct.

The "Coast Review" makes the very important statement that:

"The number of buildings which were wrecked and where fires were started is unknown, but it certainly was not large."

It declares also that cheap lime mortar, round sand often had been generally used in buildings and such sham work causes buildings to be quite frail on the Coast.

The following declarations of the "Coast Review" are very important.

As a general thing the buildings in the burned district carried small lines of insurance. The owners trusted in the fire department and insured for only enough to cover estimated damages. The big class A buildings had, in some cases as little as \$30,000 insurance.

Many large property owners carried no insurance whatever. Having risks well scattered they deemed it profitable to "insure themselves." One estate is said to have lost buildings, that were not insured, valued at more than a million dollars.

Our San Francisco contemporary has our sympathy in the loss of his printing plant, files, library, etc., and best wishes for his playing the part of the Phoenix of the Press by rising from the ashes in new strength.

TRADE OF CANADA WITH HOLLAND.

TABLE SHOWING THE EXPORTS OF CANADA TO HOLLAND AND THE IMPORTS INTO CANADA FROM THAT COUNTRY.

EXPORTS OF CANADA TO HOLLAND			IMPORTS INTO CANADA FROM HOLLAND		
Year.	Article exported.	Value	Year.	Article imported.	Value.
1904	Cattle	\$ 49,280	1905	Breadstuffs	\$ 200
"	Grain	174,645	"	Chocolate, Cocoabeans, etc.	33,556
"	(1905 only \$28,428)		"	Coffee	835
"	Breadstuffs	221,434	"	Earthenware	4,870
"	Carriages	2,505	"	Drugs, Chemicals	1,389
"	Cotton & manfr's of	4,032	"	Fish	12,268
1905	Lobsters (canned)	10,500	"	Glass, etc.	35,095
1904	Apples dried	117,726	"	Grasses, fibres, etc.	5,952
"	Other fruits	8,598	"	Hides and Skins	16,495
"	Hides, skins, &c., other tannfur.	12,799	"	Metals and Manufactures of	36,254
1905	Aluminum in pigs, bars, &c.	143,635	"	Packages of all kinds	188 133
"	Agricultural implements	68,354	"	Paintings, Photos, Engravings, etc.	34,200
"	Machinery, including sewing machines.	5,422	"	White and red lead, etc.	8,534
1904	All other	1,294	"	Paper and Manufactures of	12,821
"	Tin and manufactures of and other metal.	300,084	"	Plants and Trees	46 534
"	Asbestos	10,200	"	Precious stones	234,109
"	Musical instruments	10,071	"	Seeds and roots	3,948
"	Oil cake	3,534	"	Rennet	2,920
"	Wool	7,380	"	Spirits and Wines	288,652
"	Sugar, &c.	8,175	"	Sugar	3,724
"	Wine and wines	103,601	"	Tobacco and Manufactures of	8 087
"	Manufactures of	1,848	"	Woods	2,596
"	Manufactures of	1,972	"	Wool	2,503
"	Manufactures of	5,899	"	Sundries not specified	12 278
"	Manufactures of	3,894	"		
"	Manufactures of	134,112	"	Total Imports from Holland, 1905	\$ 1,002,552
"	Exports to Holland, 1905	\$ 550,821	"	" " 1904	975,442
"	" 1904	1,035,327	"	" " 1901	839,995
"	" 1901	187,378			

Exports to Holland decreased by 47 p. c. in 1905, while the Imports from Holland increased 2 80 p. c. The Imports were chiefly Farms, the manufactures were chiefly Ontario products.