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### EARTHQUAKE CAUSES DESTRUCTION AND LOSS OF LIFE IN ITALY

**Tidal Wave Sinks Five Hundred Boats.—People are Panic-Stricken.—Thousands are Homeless.—Whole Villages Destroyed.**

An earthquake which visited South western Italy on Monday destroyed many lives and devastated much property. Telegraphic communication having been destroyed, the extent of the destruction is not yet fully known, but it is reported as the worst earthquake experienced for many years.

#### THOUSANDS KILLED.

The city of Messina has suffered probably more than any other place, the latest information coming indirectly from that region saying that two-thirds of the town was destroyed and several thousand persons were killed.

#### PEOPLE PANIC STRICKEN.

At Catania, the panic stricken people, fearing new shocks, absolutely refused to re-enter their houses, and they are camping in the squares which are free from water and the surrounding country. The tidal wave sank five hundred boats there, and did great damage to several large vessels and steamers, including the Austrian steamer Buda.

The effects of the earthquake were aggravated by fire from an explosion of gas, the flames which swept across several of the streets, adding terror upon terror.

#### VILLAGE WIPED OUT.

In Calabria, the region around Montelone, was most affected. The village of Ste. Fanoni, the inhabitants of which number 2,300, was practically destroyed. Only five persons were killed, but many were injured.

Thousands of people abandoned their homes, although a terrific rain storm prevailed, and filled the air with lamentations and prayers. In some places, such as Priso, Corcona, Santa Severina and Piscopio, the people had the courage to enter the churches, almost while they were falling, and carry out the saints. They bore these in procession through the open country, invoking the mercy of God.

In the mountainous regions inland, the population has taken refuge in grottoes and caves where peasants and priests, soldiers and persons of gentler birth are living in common. Their bed is the ground and trees burn to keep off wild animals.

In Albi alone 2,000 people are homeless.

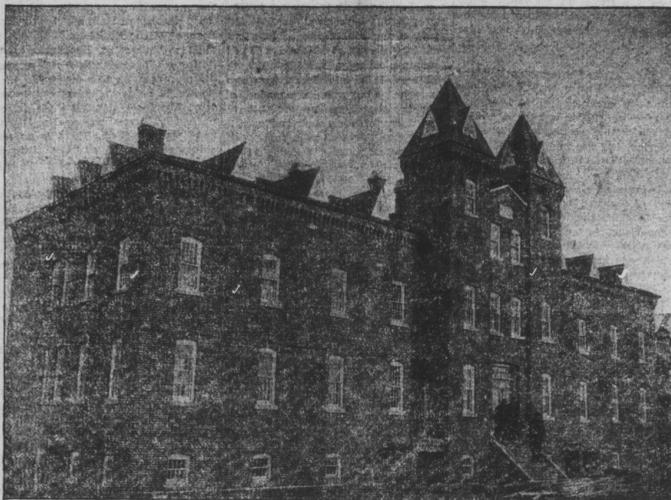
#### HAVOC BY TIDAL WAVE.

Extraordinary scenes are reported at Cantania. Following violent earth shock at 5.20 a. m., the sea rose in a tremendous wave, which wrecked many smacks. A second tidal wave caused further great damage and wreckage. Awakened by the shock the inhabitants fled panic stricken from their homes into the streets and squares. Processions were organized and soon all the churches were filled with weeping crowds imploring Divine mercy.

A very severe shock was felt at Caltanissetta, a city of Sicily, and although much damage was done, no one was killed. The shock created greater alarm, and notwithstanding the downpour of rain, the whole population remained in the streets throughout the day and marched in religious procession.

#### WAS OF DISTINGUISHED LINEAGE.

Dr. Guilford Shaw Reed, who died suddenly recently of aneuria pectoris at his residence, Riverbank court, at the age of seventy-one, had lived for more than forty years in Boston. He was a native of Annapolis County, Nova Scotia, the son of Granville Bevil and Leah (Green) Reed, and through his Tory ancestors was descended in the direct line from Roger Williams, Governor John Greene, Dr. Pierre Gallaudet, one of the Huguenot founders of New Rochelle, and other well-known Colonial families. Dr. Reed was of quiet and studious tastes and of lovable character. He was a member of the Victorian Club and other societies. He leaves a widow, the daughter of John Berryman, of St. John, and two daughters, Miss Helen Leah Reed and Ethel, the wife of Everett Morse, of Boston.



ANNAPOLIS COUNTY HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

#### Stopped Runaway Horse

A reporter in the Halifax Mail writes: The other morning a man stepped from his carriage to do some business, leaving his wife and child of three years to look after the horse. The animal took fright and the terrified woman let the reins drop to hold her child more closely. Consequently, the horse had nothing to check him, and the farther he ran the more frightened he became. One man tried to stop him, but was struck by the wheel and thrown to the ground. Unfortunately these happened to be very few on the street at the time. A lady by the name of Mrs. Brett had just turned the corner and was walking slowly toward the runaway. Noting at a glance the helpless condition of woman and child, she stepped boldly out in front of the animal, causing him to rear. When he came down she caught the bridle and spoke kindly, yet firmly, to the animal. With one hand she patted his pretty neck and in a few moments he stood quiet still. Occasionally he would indulge in a shiver. The animal was not vicious, only ed by a small boy striking a steel mud frightened. He became frightened along the sidewalk which should be strictly forbidden in town or city. When Mrs. Brett was asked if she realized that she risked her life to save the woman and child, she replied that she could afford to be selfish. She considered the incident not worth talking about. "Anyone should have done what I did, when they could plainly see that had the horse not been checked in its mad career before it reached another dashed to pieces." She refused to give her address, as she wished to avoid newspaper notoriety. A grocer near by told her name, but refused to divulge her address.

(We are informed that the heroine of the above incident is the lady of the name given who is well known in Bridgetown.—ED.)

#### FARMERS' WAREHOUSES.

A correspondent of the Halifax Chronicle writes:—The success of the "Farmers' Warehouse" at Lawrence town, Annapolis County, has encouraged fruit growers in other parts of the Valley to make a move in a similar direction. Already there are warehouses at Berwick and Lawrence town controlled by the apple growers themselves, and the orchardists in Aylesford, Middleton and Paradise are organizing preparatory to making a move in the same direction. Bridgetown and Round Hill are so expected to fall into line. The object of the "Farmers' Warehouse" is to have uniform packing, reduction in freight rates for the individual shipper, less use for the middle man and consequently more profits for the growers.

#### Y. M. C. A. Notes

As a means of increasing the social life of the Association, it has been decided by the cabinet to reserve Thursday evening of each week, from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m., as social night for senior members, when various parlor games and music will be in order. These evenings will be in charge of the Social and Rooms Committees. Each member has the privilege of inviting one young man friend, and all the ladies interested in the Association are welcome without any special invitation, and we hope that many will find time to help in making these gatherings a success.

#### Book Notices

An interesting and well printed booklet, descriptive of Nova Scotia and its opportunities has been issued by the direction of the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, and is circulated through the Department of Industries and Immigration of the Provincial Government, as well as by agencies in the British Isles. While the main object of the issue is to disseminate information about the Province in Great Britain and other countries, a limited quantity is available for circulation in Nova Scotia. Any one desiring a copy should apply to ARTHUR S. BARNSTEAD, Secretary Industries and Immigration, Halifax.

Gabrielle Amethyst is the title of a new book by Miss F. W. Musgrave, of Auburn, Kins Co., just published. The story is one that will be read with interest by any who enjoy fiction of serious purpose. It follows a pleasing love story and touches delicately upon a modern social problem. The spirit of the book is uplifting in its aim and effect.

#### Steamer Granville Sold.

It is reported that the steamer Granville, which has been on the Annapolis-St. John route, with Captain Collins as master, the past two years, has been sold to Connors Bros., of Black River, N. B., who will put her on the route between St. Andrews and St. John. The present owners of the Granville have given an order for a new boat to be built at Shelburne to be ready for delivery the latter part of April next. She will be fitted with an electric light plant run from a separate engine and dynamo, for not only illuminating her cabins, but for side lights, running lights, etc. Also a powerful search light for navigating the river and other dangerous places at night. She will have steam steering gear and fitted with all modern improvements.

#### A. C. F. A. at Bridgetown

Annapolis County Farmers' Association met in annual session at Bridgetown on the 18th inst. Col. S. Spurr in the chair. Secretary reported of the work of the year. 22 institute meetings held. Speakers, Dr. Standish, W. H. Woodworth, R. J. Messenger, L. D. Robinson. Membership 202. Great interest was shown at the meetings of Dr. Standish at Middleton and Lawrence town. Secretary also reported correspondence and action of Directors re the proposed exhibition in the autumn of 1909 at Middleton.

A resolution was passed asking the Government to give \$1,000.00 toward the prize list as to the Exhibition at Kentville this year.

Col. S. Spurr was selected to represent the Association on a delegation to interview the government.

Subjects of interest were discussed: The Inspection of Fruit, Thinning, How to Help the Quality of Fruit—introduced by Mr. F. H. Johnson. Injurious insects, particularly the canker worm, was started by Mr. F. W. Bishop.

Mr. Frank W. Foster spoke in his usual practical manner of the dairy-farming interest.

Officers for the ensuing year were chosen, viz., Col. S. Spurr, President; F. W. Bishop, Vice President; A. Owen Price, 2nd Vice President; L. W. Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer.

#### Wedded at Annapolis.

Annapolis, December 23.—The home of Captain Norman and Mrs. Louise of this town, was this morning the scene of a very interesting event, when their daughter, Miss Louise was united in hymen's silken bonds to Howard Abbott, Bridgetown. The bride looked very pretty, adorned in a travelling dress of blue cloth with hat to match. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. How, B. D., the rector of St. Luke's, in the presence of a number of invited guests. After the ceremony a sumptuous repast was served and the happy couple driven to the station, where they took train for Halifax en route to St. John, where they will reside. The bride was the recipient of numerous and costly presents, showing the esteem in which she is held in the community. There was a number of friends at the station to see them off and to congratulate on the happy event.

#### NEW YEAR RESOLVE.

To be true throughout and through.  
To work square,  
To fight fair,  
To help and share  
And lessen the burden  
Another must bear.  
To trust God  
Through good and ill,  
As His help and doing His Will

### A MERRY CHRISTMAS AT THE COUNTY INSTITUTIONS

**The Day was Celebrated with Fun and Merry-Making.—Santa Claus Appeared Riding on a Mule to Distribute Gifts from Tree.**

To The Monitor-Sentinel:—

The present writer has had the privilege for several years of attending the Christmas festivities at the County Hospital and County Home, and has noticed with great satisfaction the very marked evidence of appreciation by the inmates of these institutions of the efforts made by the Managers to please them and to introduce an agreeable change into the somewhat monotonous routine of their daily lives.

On the recent Christmas the preparations made were of a more elaborate character than any heretofore attempted. It was very plainly seen that much time and careful thought had been expended in the tasteful decoration of the rooms and in the numerous and varied gifts with which the Christmas trees were loaded. None of the inmates were forgotten and all were well supplied with useful and suitable presents, and Santa Claus himself arrived in time to see to their proper distribution. On former occasions he made his appearance on foot. This time he came, not with his traditional reindeer, but actually on the back of a mule. This animal displayed the usual vicious tendencies of his kind, and administered several severe kicks to persons standing near, and even to Santa Claus himself. Fortunately, a well known physician had been invited to the celebration, probably because it was feared his services might be required for such an emergency.

The presence of the Bridgetown Band added much to the enjoyment of the evening. The selections chosen were well rendered and highly appreciated. A humorous song by a gentleman, accompanied by the organ, was well received. Several brief addresses were made. Refreshments were distributed. A large number of visitors joined with the inmates in cordial congratulations to Messrs. Hiltz and Myers, and their assistants for the great success of their Christmas entertainment.

Mr. Hiltz in a brief address in which he extended the compliments of the season to all present and expressed his thanks to the citizens who had made the occasion possible by their willing and generous donations, gave voice to the hope that before many months a hall might be erected in connection with the Institutions to be used for religious services and occasional entertainments for the profit and pleasure of the inmates. It is understood that he has had the promise of several sums for this purpose. These and other voluntary contributions, supplemented if necessary by a small grant from the County, would make possible a need-

ed addition to the buildings which are so successfully administered and such a credit to Annapolis County. VISITOR.  
Bridgetown, Dec. 28th, 1908.

To The Monitor-Sentinel:—  
Mr. Hiltz has put into my hands the list of contributions by the people of Bridgetown towards the recent Christmas entertainment in the County Hospital and County Home, and also the receipted bills showing the expenditure.

The contributions reach the very creditable sum of seventy-one dollars (\$71.00), and of this amount there remains in hand \$4.76, which it is proposed to use in giving to the inmates of the Institutions their usual sleigh-ride. Messrs. Hiltz and Myers wish me to give expression to their very sincere thanks to the kind donors.

Yours truly,  
CRANSWICK JOST.

We, the undersigned, do hereby cheerfully contribute the amount set opposite our respective names, for the purpose of providing the usual treat and entertainment for the inmates of our County Institutions on Christmas Day.

W. G. Clarke, .....	\$5.00
O. S. Miller, .....	5.00
O. T. Daniels, .....	1.00
M. E. Armstrong, .....	1.00
Fred B. Fay, .....	1.00
J. E. Lloyd, .....	2.00
J. Harry Hicks, .....	1.00
J. H. Hicks & Sons, .....	2.00
Karl Freeman, .....	2.00
C. L. Piggott, .....	2.00
H. H. Johnston, .....	1.00
H. M. Chute, .....	1.00
W. H. Cochran, .....	2.00
I. M. Otterson, .....	1.00
R. A. Crowe, .....	.50
Edwin L. Fisher, .....	1.00
W. A. Warren, .....	1.00
Abner Williams, .....	1.00
A. D. Brown, .....	1.00
Moses & Young, .....	1.00
R. W. Elliott, .....	1.00
J. I. Foster, .....	2.00
J. W. Ross, .....	.50
W. E. Reed, .....	1.00
Dr. DeBlois, .....	.50
Strong & Whitman, .....	3.00
J. W. Beckwith, .....	3.00
Mrs. Annie Shand, .....	5.00
A. S. Lewis, .....	1.00
Forest Connell, .....	1.00
Mrs. Isabel Harding, .....	1.00
Miss Annie Outhit, .....	5.00
Mrs. J. R. DeWitt, .....	1.00
S. N. Wear, .....	2.00
Rev. E. Underwood, .....	1.50
E. Russell, .....	1.00
Rev. A. J. MacDonald, .....	2.00
W. H. Roach, .....	7.00
W. J. Hoyt, .....	1.00
Total, .....	\$71.00

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Going December 31st, 1908, to January 1st, 1909.

Return January 4th, 1909.

THROUGH ISSUE.—First Class One Way Through Fare to points beyond Montreal in Canada. Port Arthur, Ont., Detroit, Port Huron, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and east thereof.

Going December 31st, 1908, and January 1st, 1909. Return January 4th, 1909.

FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE TO MONTREAL, added to FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE and ONE THIRD from MONTREAL.

Going December 24th, 25th, 28th, 29th, 31st, January 1st.

Returns till January 5th, 1909.

For Fares to points on local connecting lines apply nearest Ticket Agent.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside, "Tender for Freight Shed on Wharf, Charlottetown," will be received up to and including THURSDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1909, for the construction of a freight shed on the wharf at Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and at the Chief Engineer's Office Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

D. POTTINGER,  
General Manager.

Railway Office,  
Moncton, N. B.,  
Dec. 23rd, 1908. 3 lbs.