

DISASTER AT FRANK.

A Mining Town In N W T Suffers By Landslide

Great Loss of Life and Property
Aid Promptly Sent.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 29.—A volcanic eruption has occurred near Frank, Alberta. The country is covered with lava and scoria for 20 miles and the river is dammed with lava, causing a flood.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 29.—Private advices from Frank, Alberta, state that 140 are dead because of the disaster, which occurred there at 4:30 o'clock this morning. Details of the disaster are not yet obtainable.

FRANK, N. W. T., April 29.—An earthquake occurred about 4:30 o'clock this morning, and the whole valley below this town for over a mile wide was shaken up. Immediately after what appeared to be a volcanic eruption took place on top of Turtle Mountain, which overlooks the town. Millions of tons of rock were thrown down, covering the mine entrance, the mine buildings being buried hundreds of feet deep. All the men employed about the mine outside were instantly killed, and over 20 miners are imprisoned in the mine, with little hope of rescue. The loss of life is estimated at over 100, mostly women and children. A Mr. Leith, his wife and four children are among the dead. The mountain is still throwing up rock.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 29.—Baynes Reed, superintendent of meteorological survey here, developed the film of the seismograph, which discloses not the slightest trace of a seismic disturbance. The reports of a volcanic eruption or earthquake at Frank, N. W. T., were utterly discredited by him.

MACLEOD, N. W. T., April 29.—Latest reports from Frank indicate that a volcanic eruption occurred there at 4 a. m. today. The earth opened up for three-quarters of a mile in length, and then millions of tons of rock slid off the top of Turtle Mountain, which overhangs the little town. The coal pit mouth and several buildings near thereto were buried. It is estimated that the loss of life is about seventy residents of the town, and in addition about fifty miners who are entombed in the mine.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. at once arranged for trains to convey doctors, nurses and hospital stores, both from the east and the west, to Frank.

The Crow's Nest branch railway is temporarily blocked, but the railway company, who have sent large gangs of men there, expect to get it cleared shortly. Business to and from the Kootenays will be forwarded, until the branch is opened, by way of the main line and Revelstoke, the old route before the Crow's Nest branch was built.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 29.—A special to the Times from Vancouver says: By an unexpected and unprecedented disaster, 140 persons lost their lives in the little town of Frank, Alberta, this morning and further details may increase the number of victims.

About four o'clock, after the night shift was preparing to come from work from a mine, either an earthquake or a volcanic eruption occurred on the top of Turtle Mountain, which overlooks the town of Frank. There was a tremendous upheaval, which awoke all sleepers, who believed that the end of the world had come.

The entire side of the mountain was blown up by the disturbance and millions of tons of rock scattered like chaff over the town. The mine buildings and mine entrances were buried under a pile of debris hundreds of feet deep. Mine houses in the village are buried under the rocks. Their roofs were crushing in like eggshells and everyone inside the houses perished. Those working at the mine on outside jobs num-

bering it is thought, about 120 were instantly killed, although the exact number is not known. The records of the office and payroll are buried under the immense pile of broken rock. There were 28 or 30 men at work in the shaft and these are now imprisoned by the debris and undoubtedly doomed.

It will take days to dig down through the pile of rock and it is not believed they can be rescued. The people of the town are panic stricken as the mountain is still scattering rock and no one knows how soon the disaster may be duplicated. The uninjured inhabitants are divided between a desire to say and bury the dead and an impulse to seek a place of safety before they are overwhelmed by a greater calamity.

Ottawa, April 29.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who received from General Manager McNicholl, the following telegraphic report of the disaster at Frank, N. W. T.

Latest report from Frank indicates that the town is almost wiped out. The whole valley below the town for over a mile was shaken up. The earth opened for three-quarters of a mile in length, and then a terrible volcanic eruption occurred on the top of Turtle Mountain, overlooking the town, throwing millions of tons of rock and covering the mine entrance, burying buildings near its mouth 100 feet deep. All the men employed around the mine outside were killed. The loss of life is estimated at over 100, including a number of women and children. The mountain is still in eruption, throwing up rocks. Old Man river is dammed with 40 feet rock, and the railway track for two miles east of the station is covered with from 5 to 50 feet of rock.

A later despatch states that 70 to 80 residents were killed, besides a party of sixty men entombed in the mines. Are sending out doctors, nurses and hospital stores and extra gangs to the scene. Kootenay is being worked via Revelstoke.

Geo. Co-ey, ex-M. P., who camped at Frank in 1897, recalls seeing strong evidence of former volcanic eruption about the mountains.

VERY LATEST.

Winnipeg, April 29.—A message received tonight from Frank says: Of the 75 entombed miners 15 are out without injury. Two are dead from suffocation. One of the uninjured found his house covered with rocks and his wife and two children buried.

Those in the mine were safer than those out of it. No explosion and no signs of gas were felt by the entombed miners.

Additional advices from Frank state that the disaster is really worse than reported. Details are very meagre.

Chicago, April 29.—Information concerning the disaster was obtained from Edward D. Liagere of

Twitching of The Nerves

Mrs. Drinkwater, 5 Water Street, Galt, Ont., states:—"My great trouble has been with my nerves. I was very nervous, had twitching of the nerves and could not get to sleep at night. I seemed quite worn out and believing that I needed some medicine began to use Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. I can truthfully say that this preparation has proven surprisingly beneficial to me. It has strengthened and steadied my nerves, made me rest and sleep well, and in fact built up the system generally."

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A ST. JOHN MAN IN HALIFAX.

J. S. Harding, of St. John, was at the Halifax Hotel on Saturday. He told a Chronicle man that he does not understand why people who bake bread are foolish enough to use ordinary flour when they can get Ogilvie's. He says that, when one considers the fact that it makes so many more loaves to the barrel than ordinary flour and that the bread is stronger and therefore has more nourishment, it will be readily seen that there is a distant advantage in using Ogilvie's.

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Frank, who is in Chicago. He said he received a telegram tonight that there was an explosion of gas which burst out of the side of the mountain and this led to rumors of volcanic eruption and earthquakes.

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CONVICT LABOR ON ROADS.

In making mention of the fact that "another convict" at Charlottetown prison had gone insane a few days ago, the Boston Advertiser notes that life at the prison, now that convicts get little work, is resulting in a steady increase in the number of convicts who lose their reason. As is well known, labor unions very strongly oppose a practice that was once largely in vogue—the employment of convicts at trades which bring them into competition with free labor, it being found possible to sell prison-made goods at lower prices than goods produced by free labor. The question then arises, what shall be done with convicts? In some prisons, as at Charlottetown, there is little or no work for them to do, and the most deplorable consequences ensue. In several states of the union the problem has been solved by putting convicts at work on public roads, by which means healthful employment is found for the men, and the country is benefited by securing well-made roads at minimum cost. In a recent number of the Scientific American there is an interesting article by Mr. J. A. Holmes discussing road building with convict labor in the Southern States. Twelve states are dealt with—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. In these states there are 1,138 counties, and the fact that convicts are employed on roads in 1,079 of these counties shows how largely the system has been adopted. The number of convicts kept at this kind of work in some is small. Thus in North Carolina in 1900, 643 convicts worked on the roads in Tennessee 722 were employed, in Texas 672, in Georgia 946, in South Carolina 579. In Virginia only 23 convicts were thus employed, and in Alabama only 25. By employing convict labor the county authorities have the work done at a lower rate than if they engaged free labor. In North Carolina a convict labor cost from 15 to 40 cents a day, free labor 75 cents. South Carolina convict 12 to 22 cents, free 75 cents; Kentucky and Louisiana convict 50 to 60 cents, free \$1. These figures give a good idea of what is saved to the counties. Dealing with the results of convict labor on the roads of the Southern States, Mr. Holmes declares that it is the general verdict that road building by convicts both in efficiency and cheapness is superior to such free labor as is available there for such work. Mr. Holmes remarks: "It is often urged against this mode of employing convict labor that the very publicity of the work in exposing the prisoner to the view and to the remarks of the travellers along the highway would have a tendency to harden the criminal and make him less amenable to other beneficial influences." When proposals have been made to put prisoners in the St. John jail at work in the park or the streets, views similar to those quoted have found expression here. Mr. Holmes says evidence collected in the Southern States does not bear out this supposition. Not only is the health of the convicts improved by out-of-door work, but their "experiences as road builders have actually improved their general character and prepared them for better citizenship." The article referred to goes into details regarding the extent, quality, cost, etc., of the work, which it is not necessary to give. It is clear that the writer, after a study of the whole matter, approves of the system, both for the sake of the convict, who otherwise is injured by idleness, and for the sake of the state, which has needed work well done at reasonable cost. The Boston advertiser heartily commends a plan to put a system of this kind in operation in Massachusetts, and affirms it will be "a good thing all around," which is



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Archbishop Bruchesi, Montreal, has issued a letter condemning labor leaders and organizers. The letter advises the laboring classes to pay no heed to strike agitators, but look for arbitration on just and reasonable demands. In part the archbishop says: "Responsibility is not incurred by those leaders and writers, who profit by the slightest conflict between labor and capital to foment discord and rebellion and to inspire with hatred towards their employers. They are the most dangerous foes of the people whose interests they pretend to serve. Let not our laboring classes heed their suggestions. They have absolutely nothing to gain. Deceived by those false friends and urged on by them to commit the most lamentable acts, they will, on the contrary, forfeit public sympathy."—Ex

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