

HOWLING GALE ADDS TO WOES OF STRICKEN HALIFAX CITY

Rescue Workers Forced to
Quit Urgent Work.

LIVING STILL UNDER RUINS

Suspense Is Terrible—Aid
May Be Too Late.

MORE DOCTORS ARE NEEDED

Relief Floods In From All
Directions, But Still
Is Inadequate.

Truro, N. S., Dec. 6-1 a.m.—Early today the storm which struck Halifax yesterday had increased in intensity. The wind was howling at a velocity of 40 miles an hour. Snow was falling heavily and piling up in great banks. Relief workers struggled gallantly against this added burden, and then had to abandon temporarily their work of mercy.

HALIFAX, Dec. 7.—Five thousand casualties—2,000 dead, 3,000 others injured—this is tonight's official estimate of the toll exacted in human lives and suffering by the explosion and fires of yesterday.

A howling blizzard is raging. Rescue workers in the devastated section of the city have been forced to quit. If anything were needed to add to the horror of tragedy which overwhelmed Halifax on Thursday morning, and which greatly hampered the rescuers today, it was the heavy fall of snow which began early this morning and continued today, reducing the proportion of a blizzard to the proportions of a heavy, damp snow, that clinging to the clothes, blinded the eyes, and hampered the movements. Automobiles were progressing merely by inches, and those persons still working among the ruins suffered intensely from the cold.

Stores have come in that emphasize the fact that life and death are very close to each other. Deaths too horrible for words occurred side by side with the most miraculous escapes.

Child Slain Through Roof. A 4-year-old child was blown through the roof of a house on Yonge street and rolled from the roof to the ground, and instead of being killed, was of broken bones and bruises, sustained only a few scratches on the cheeks.

Another story that was told today by one of the rescue workers was that a young child was rescued from the ruins at Jeddah on Friday morning apparently unhurt. It seemed to make the horrible scene that day a little less revolting, but for the fact that the child was not the only one to be rescued. It was a young girl, and she was found in a room which had been completely destroyed. She was found in a room which had been completely destroyed. She was found in a room which had been completely destroyed.

Since the first list of killed and missing was published, some of those reported in both lists have been found, and some families have been reunited. The legion of friends of Dr. Munro, who is now in the city, are congratulating him upon his successful escape from serious injury, and reports say that George R. Hills, wife and child have been found on board one of the ships in the harbor, but Dr. Hills is still missing, and the worst is feared.

More Doctors and Nurses. At all hospitals, regular and improvised, every available space is occupied with wounded, every doctor, nurse, V. A. and other helpers, have been brought into service, and the need can hardly be met. Physicians and nurses have shown an unselfish devotion and capacity for prolonged work, and the tremendous strains that have made their work positively heroic. Private homes throughout the city have opened their doors to welcome those who escaped with little more than their lives. Children are staying at towns and villages along the railway line, and many a childless mother's sacred trunk has at last emptied and glowing in the emptying for the sake of the naked, suffering little ones thrust upon her care. It was the fact that steady strain for Belgian relief refugees, and other patriotic purposes had robbed Halifax of her surplus clothing, and when the call for help came it was not responded to. Nobody in the city has any extra clothes not in use. The scriptural advice has been almost literally followed and still the demand is not met.

Sister Provinces Respond. As soon as the appalling news became known offers of assistance were received from the sister provinces of New Brunswick, Quebec and Manitoba. In New Brunswick a corps of doctors and nurses was organized and sent forward from Sackville, Moncton and St. John to assist in the care of the injured and suffering and to relieve local overworked physicians and nurses. St. John also sent firemen and fire apparatus.

The same blood runs in the veins of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and it is like members of one family coming to each other's aid. It is always sure. Nova Scotia towns were quick to respond. Another Truro, a Windsor, Sydney, being quickly in the field with all the help at their command. From far Winnipeg, too, came a telegram of sympathy. From Lieutenant Governor Aitken and others of assistance from the prairie provinces, Old Quebec and

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of Ireland Catastrophe—
Norwegian Ships Cause of
Both—Calamities Recalled.

While complete records of the loss both in lives and property, are not as yet available, the estimates already received reveal the fact that the Halifax catastrophe, especially as regards the number who have lost their lives, will rank in history as by far the greatest disaster that has ever occurred within the boundaries of the Dominion of Canada.

The only one that even approaches it in this respect is the sinking of the C. P. R. liner Empress of Ireland, near Easter Point, in the St. Lawrence River on May 28, 1914, when 541 persons perished, as compared with 2,000 or more already credited to the Halifax catastrophe. The Empress of Ireland disaster, which was the result of a collision with a freighter, has points of similarity in its origin to the Halifax disaster. In each case the other ship was in each occasion the collision was attributed to a confusion in whistle signals.

Forest fires which swept Northern Ontario in July, 1916, wiping out the towns of Lac Seul and Matheson, may be ranked third, with 365 dead, and the Empress forest fire, also in Northern Ontario, in August, 1911, had a death list of about two hundred. Disasters of Lake and the St. Lawrence river have also swept the Raimy River forest fire, which destroyed 6,000 square miles of pine forest, or one-fifth of the land surface of the province of New Brunswick. One hundred and sixty persons were either burned or drowned, 589 buildings at 4 1/2 head

of cattle destroyed, the towns of Douglstown and Newcastle being wiped out, and three other towns partially destroyed.

The Victoria Disaster. The overturning of the excursion steamer Victoria in the Thames River at London, Ont., on May 24, 1881, cost 155 lives.

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The collapse of the Quebec bridge in August, 1907, resulted in the loss of 13 lives. 14 more being sacrificed when the centre span fell in September, 1916. The cyclone which struck the city of Quebec, on June 30, 1902, which then caused great destruction of property, had the surprisingly small casualty list of one killed and ten injured.

In the great Nova Scotia cyclone of 1873, which occurred on August 24 and 25 of that year, 1,002 ships all classes were destroyed in the neighborhood of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Atlantic shores of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. Two hundred and twenty-three lives were definitely reported lost, but a moderate estimate of the numerous cases in which whole crews were reported to have been lost swells this number to nearly 500.

NIGHT BATTERY FIGHTS
ON BANKS OF MEUSE

Paris, Dec. 8.—There was active artillery fighting last night on the right bank of the Meuse, particularly between Reconvaux and Beaumont and in the neighbourhood of St. Jean. As 1,000 men were reported to have been killed, the night was comparatively quiet on the remainder of the front.

WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL WHEN NERVES COLLAPSED

London Lady Describes Her Trying Experience With Nervous Exhaustion—A Discovery Which Leads to Cure.

London, Dec. 8.—Only persons who have suffered from extreme nervous exhaustion will realize what this lady suffered, and what it means to her to be fully restored to health and strength. Premier Buxton has wired his sympathy to Hon. G. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia.

REGRET IN SASKATCHEWAN. Regina, Dec. 7.—Before the orders of the day were taken up at this afternoon's session of the Legislative Assembly, Premier Martin referred to the disaster which had befallen the city of Halifax, and he informed the House he had wired Premier Murray of Nova Scotia on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, expressing sympathy and regret at the disaster.

ROMANOFF'S GUARDS REMOVED. London, Dec. 8.—The guards surrounding Nicholas Romanoff, the former Russian emperor, near Tobolsk, Siberia, have been disbanded by Bolshevik soldiers and sailors, according to advices received in Petrograd and forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph Company. The Bolshevik leaders intend to remove Nicholas to some other place, fearing he might be lynched.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MOURNS. VICTORIA, Dec. 7.—Following the receipt of the distressing news from Halifax, Lieutenant-Governor Barrington has sent a telegram of condolence to the lieutenant-governor of Nova Scotia.

ITALY IS GRIEVED. "Montreal, Dec. 7.—All Italy and Italian are grieved at the terrible disaster which has stricken Halifax. Will you accept our deepest sympathy?" (Signed) "Consul-General for Italy."

JAPAN'S SYMPATHY. "New York, Dec. 7.—Astonished at the disaster inflicted on the people of Halifax by the explosion, Reg to tender you my sincere sympathy." (Signed) "Formerly Japanese Consul-General in Canada."

SWITZERLAND'S MESSAGE. "Montreal, Dec. 7.—May I be allowed to convey to the Government of Canada in the name of the Government of Switzerland the expression of its deep sympathy for the victims of the disaster which has befallen Halifax, and offering all aid in its power." (Signed) "Acting Consul-General for Switzerland."

FROM SWEDISH CONSUL. "Montreal, Dec. 7.—Your telegram catastrophe which has befallen Halifax induced me to offer to your expression of deepest sympathy." (Signed) "C. A. VOLLETT, Acting Consul-General for Sweden."

NORWAY IS PAINED. "Montreal, Dec. 7.—I beg leave to express, on behalf of my Government, my sincere sympathy on the disaster at Halifax." (Signed) "AUBRETT, Norwegian Consul-General."

FROM PRESIDENT WILSON. WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson sent to the governor-general today an expression of sympathy for the people of the United States because of the disaster at Halifax. His telegram follows: "In the presence of the awful disaster at Halifax, the people of the United States offer to their noble brethren of the Dominion their heartfelt sympathy and relief, as it is fitting at this time, when to the ties of kinship and community are added the ties of sympathy and devotion to the supreme duties of national existence."

SYMPATHY FROM NEW YORK. NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The sympathy of the people of New York was sent to the people of Halifax today in a telegram sent by Acting Mayor Downey to the mayor of the stricken city. "New York can be of any service," the message added, "do not fail to command us."

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Mrs. Meathrel tried hospital treatment and change of air, but nothing seemed to have much benefit until she began the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. As is usually the case, this food proved to be exactly what was needed to set up the process of restoration. Little by little the blood was enriched, the nerves strengthened and the whole system brought back to health and vigor.

Mrs. S. Meathrel, 23 Hyla street, London, Ont., writes: "About a year ago I had a complete collapse of my nerves, and I was taken to the hospital for treatment, but it did not give me much relief. When I was brought home again I went to the court for a few days. I seemed to be a little better while

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