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TELEGRAPHIC.

MORE SHOCKS OCCUR AT FRISCO.

Rigid Economy is Necessary in Disbursing Relief.

MURDERER WILL BE CRUCIFIED.

Royalty Visited Vesuvius--Steamer Foundered and Four Persons Drowned--The Anglo-Thibetan Treaty--Hundreds of Dead are Still in Ruins--Must Work or Leave Frisco--May Day Row in Streets of Paris.

(SPECIAL TO THE CLAIM.)

San Francisco, April 30.—Another earthquake occurred at 3.15 p.m. on the 25th which caused a number of walls of previously demolished houses to topple and fall to the ground. Several other buildings which were badly shaken by the first shock fell down. Only one fatality has been reported and that was the case of Mrs. A. Whitaker, who was killed in her own home. The vibrations of the earth continued one minute.

Scientists at Berkley and Oakland agree that further shocks may be felt at any time for several weeks to come but that they will not be so severe as was the first one on the morning of the 18th.

All the relief work has been placed in the hands of a quartermaster who is distributing supplies to the needy from fifty-six different stations.

The relief committee has about \$4,500,000 on hand and additional money and provisions are coming in every hour. All contributions are handled by the army but a citizen's committee audits all the bills and accounts.

From the Yukon council at Dawson \$5,000 has been received by wire.

Engineers and architects are busy arranging for rebuilding.

Ten thousand acres, comprising about fifteen square miles, was completely devastated.

Careful tests have been made, wholly doing away with the theory and exciting rumors to the effect that the city is sinking.

Mayor Schmidt has called on all cities to send trained nurses at once as sickness is greatly increasing.

A large fleet of boats is now on the way here from Puget Sound and British Columbia with lumber to be used in rebuilding the city.

Millionaire Dunsmuir, of Victoria, sent a steamer here with 100 tons of flour, yeast, baking powder and a dozen bakers to work the cargo up into bread for the sufferers. A large quantity of the flour was in bread and ready for distribution when the steamer arrived.

Governor Pardee refuses to withdraw the militia. He says they

were not reckless but that they are doing magnificent work.

Paris, May 1.—The government adopted every precaution to prevent May day disturbances. All omnibuses were ordered to be kept off the streets to prevent them being used as barricades. There is a great influx of military and many arrests have been made of persons supposed to be fomenting trouble.

(LATER.)—The day passed off quietly with the exception of one small row. A procession of striking printers singing revolutionary songs was attacked by the police with drawn swords and revolvers. The procession was broken up and about one hundred arrests were made.

London, May 3.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Mogador, Morocco, today cabled his paper as follows: "A series of murders which have just been discovered in this city, and which are probably unexampled in the annals of crime, have all been traced to a native cobbler, who is now a prisoner in the hands of the authorities. No less than 26 corpses were found under the shop occupied by the cobbler and 10 others were unearthed from a yard in the rear of his shop. All the victims were women. The murderer, who has already been tried, convicted and sentenced, will be crucified on Thursday next." This form of capital punishment has not been dealt out or practiced within living memory.

Naples, May 3.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra of Great Britain and the Duke and Duchess of Aosta yesterday formed an automobile party which toured in the vicinity of Vesuvius, and which was met and conducted by Professors Matteucci and Perrit by request of King Edward. Prof. Perrit is a Brooklyn, N. Y., man. The King and Queen left for Egypt tonight.

Guernsey, May 3.—The passenger steamer Courier, carrying a crew of nine and twenty excursionists, foundered off Sark this week. The steamer sank immediately. Three of the crew and one passenger were drowned. The others were rescued.

London, May 3.—The first budget of the new Liberal administration shows a surplus of seventeen million pounds sterling. The export duty on coal will be repealed on the 1st of November. The import on tobacco and tea will be reduced in consequence.

Sydney, N. S. W., May 3.—The steamer Sierra sailed from this port today with supplies and cash to the value of \$1,550,600 for the relief of the San Francisco fire sufferers.

Athens, May 3.—In competitions which have lately taken place here between athletes from all parts of the world the Americans won the greatest number of events, the Greeks scored second, the Swedes third and the English fourth. The Marathon race (twenty-six miles)

was won easily by Sherring, of Hamilton, Ontario.

Pekin, May 3.—The Anglo-Thibetan treaty has just been concluded and as the first result China will pay the entire expense of recent British expedition to Lhasa. Great Britain recognizes China's sovereignty over Thibet. China has agreed to protect all foreign trade.

San Francisco, May 3.—Another shock of earthquake was felt throughout the recently affected district on Wednesday night. The vibration, although comparatively slight, was severest at Palo Alto.

The city's coroner states that there are at least a thousand and probably fifteen hundred bodies of victims still in the ruins of the devastated portion of the city.

The chief of police has issued explicit orders to the effect that all able-bodied men here must either go to work clearing and removing the debris or else leave Frisco.

Toronto, May 3.—A fire in the Toronto general post office yesterday caused thirty thousand dollars damage. George Tray, an engineer, was found dead floating in water in the basement of the building after the fire was extinguished. Not much mail was destroyed.

Washington, May 3.—Three hundred thousand dollars were today wired by the American Red Cross Society to Finance Chairman Phelan, who was also advised that an additional million dollars would soon be sent for his disposal.

San Francisco, May 4.—Mayor Schmidt has issued a statement that San Francisco will use anything donated in the way of funds, clothing or provisions. Send funds to Hon. J. Phelan, chairman of the finance committee, and supplies to Major C. A. Devol, quartermaster of U. S. A. presidio.

Washington, May 4.—General Greely has wired the war department from San Francisco as follows: "The prospective requirements of all the sufferers can be met only by resorting to the most rigid economy. No luxuries can be allowed except to the sick by doctors' prescription. Drunkenness is entirely absent owing to the restrictions on liquor selling. The electrical railways are rapidly renewing the service. All health is excellent, there being no contagious diseases. The water supply is much improved."

GENERAL NEWS.

The United States senate last week ratified the Alaskan boundary treaty.

At Washington, on April 26th, President Roosevelt asked congress to at once make an appropriation of \$300,000 to repair the damage sustained by the navy yard at Mare Island as a result of the recent earthquake.

A Honolulu despatch says the calamity at San Francisco, on which

city Honolulu has always depended for her supplies, is liable to work a great hardship in the latter city and actual suffering is feared. An effort is being made to establish business communication with other coast cities.

A Seattle despatch of April 27th said: Refugees arriving here from San Francisco are loud in their condemnation of the acts of the National Guardsmen on duty there. They say that not only the guards but the officers became drunk while on duty and that they shot and used their bayonets on every opportunity.

At Chicago on April 27th Mrs. Jane Dowie visited her husband at the Auditorium hotel. She said it was not a deathbed reconciliation by any means. The following day Dowie re-entered Zion but his reign will be brief as proceedings by creditors, representing \$7,000,000, have been begun with the view of forcing him into involuntary bankruptcy.

A late St. Petersburg despatch said: The Czar has promulgated a new constitution which has set the entire country aflame. Everybody is aroused as the new constitution gives no power at all to the people, but gives the Czar full control of parliament. The papers are outspoken in their denouncement of what they term a high-handed outrage, and one and all declare that the regime of Nicholas is fated to go down in blood.

Court News.

Last week judgment was entered in favor of some five workmen against the Columbia Hydraulic Co., Ltd., of Spruce Creek, for \$1,700 odd, wages due for last season's work.

The actions brought by Regan et al vs. The Northern Mines Ltd. were, by consent, stood over till August 15th.

In Bank of Montreal vs. Dixon a commission was ordered to examine G. D. Brymner, the plaintiffs manager at New Westminster.

Wu. Ferguson vs. C. L. Queen—The new trial which was obtained by the defendant herein took place this week before His Honor Judge Young. This action has been well discussed and great interest has been taken by the public in the result. Judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff for the full amount claimed, some \$400, with costs of both trials.

One case of drunk and disorderly from Discovery was before the magistrate with the usual \$5 and costs as the result.

New Arrivals.

The following arrived in Atlin on Friday evening, April 27th, per stages of Dixon & Schulz:—Mr. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Plumbe and two children, A. C. Hirschfeld, Dr. H. E. Young, J. M. Ruffner, J. Bannou, Jas. Meade, Mr. Friday, J. Prescott, Mr. Macdonald, E. J. de Lamare, T. Oblaski, L. Heyman, Chas. Omyot and E. Churin.

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RAILWAY PROGRESS.

According to the Engineering Journal of Canada the Dominion has today the biggest railway mileage compared to population of any country in the world. There is at present constructed and in operation a mile of railway to two hundred and ninety inhabitants. The United States, with all its progress in railway building, has but one mile of railway to 387 people; France, one mile to 1,317 people; Germany, one mile to 1,818 people; Great Britain, one mile to 1,850 people, and Russia, one mile to 3,400 people. The first railway built in Canada, the Journal says, was the St. Lawrence & Champlain; the rails were of wood, with spiked strips of iron, and it was opened in 1836. In 1861 Canada had 1,800 miles of railway, carrying 1,325,000 passengers and 1,450,446 tons of freight and earning an aggregate of \$6,722,660 on a paid up capital of \$38,278,986. On June 30, 1905, there was 20,601 miles of railway in Canada, including double trackage, being an increase of nearly 1,000 miles over 1904. For the year 1904-5 Canadian railways carried 25,788,723 passengers, 50,893,957 tons of freight, and earned in gross \$106,467,199 on a paid up capital of \$1,248,666,414. In less than twenty-one years the mileage increased 1.150 per cent; passenger traffic 1.150 per cent., and freight 3.400 per cent.

PLAYS THAT LAST.

Man is a laughing animal. His susceptibility to comedy is strong, but not so strong as the impression produced on his attention and imagination by the more serious things of life. The plays that last are the plays which have fate in them—that portray the elemental passions. How true this is best known by the playgoers of mature years who can recall a thousand and one merely amusing plays the character of which have strutted their little hour and then dropped out of sight. These plays lack the lasting quality of deeper sentiment. To students of the older dramatists this is still more apparent. The old play which deals with the deeper emotions of our common nature is revived today with all its strength unimpaired—passion and human feeling were then the same as now. Some of the old comedies survive but have not the hold of the plays of the more serious kind. From Shakespeare's earliest drama to the last product of the serious playwright, the play grounded in human emotion and fate, which rightly or

wrongly many believe in, lives, while the play in lighter vein, having furnished amusement for a time, disappears and is forgotten.

Life is enough of a tragedy to banish any desire to accentuate it on the stage; but the fact is undeniable that plays founded on the tragic and sentimental—that have fate in them—are the survivors of the playwright's dramatic family.

The persistency with which some people with records can but into society is only exceeded by the warmth of the welcome extended them by alleged respectability.

"If the newspapers don't quit abusing patent medicines," mused the Hon. Thomas Rott, "there will be no way left for an obscure Congressman to get his face in print." —Puck.

An American editor, having announced the death of a fellow citizen, was waited upon by the individual himself, who fiercely demanded a retraction. This the editor declined to do, saying that he never took back anything. "The best we can do for you, sir, is to put you among the births, as a new arrival."

"Many a young man is trying to support a sealskin wife on a muskrat salary," said a lady lecturer the other day. "Don't take too much stock in a \$40 suit worn by a \$3 man. Some men quarter their cows better than their wives. Women would make better homes if they would love themselves less and the men more. Many of us wear silk skirts over soiled linen." The men in the audience applauded and the women were angry. If you want to learn a woman's faults just praise her to another woman.

The British Empire seems to be gathering strength as the years roll by if increase in area and population indicates advancement. According to a blue book just issued the area of the empire has in forty years, increased from eight and a half millions to nearly twelve million square miles and its population from 250,000,000 to 400,000,000. With the rigid flow of immigration from foreign countries to the fertile plains of the Canadian Northwest, Canada promises to have a more important part than ever in swelling the population of the empire.—Ottawa Free Press.

It's a wonder there is any left at all the way the insurance presidents have been rifling the till.

Too many men use up all their religion on Sunday, and have none left for the balance of the week.



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A large number of those who came to the Atlin district with the "rush" met at the Arctic Brotherhood hall, Discovery, on Saturday evening last for the purpose of organizing a pioneers association. Mr. A. Carmichael was voted to the chair and Mr. H. E. Brown acted as secretary to the meeting.

After appropriate opening remarks by the chairman, the following motion was introduced and unanimously adopted: "That the pioneers who arrived in the Atlin district during the years 1898-99 be formed into an association and that anyone, after ten years residence, be eligible for membership."

The question of a suitable name for the organization produced many suggestions and, after considerable discussion, a vote was taken on the different names proposed with the result that the association was called the "Atlin District Sourdoughs."

A membership roll was opened and was signed in rotation of date of arrival by all present, those who came in during '98 taking precedence.

The election of officers for the coming year was then taken up and resulted as follows: President, Mr. Kenneth McLaren; Vice President, Mr. John Williams; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. H. E. Brown; Executive Committee, Messrs. F. H. Mobley, J. T. Regan and A. Carmichael.

The executive committee was instructed to draft by-laws and a constitution and to present same for approval and adoption at the next meeting of the association, which will be at the call of the president.

It was decided that a small membership fee would be charged so as to cover the cost of stationary and other requirements.

It was resolved that ladies were equally eligible for membership.

Much fun and good fellowship was displayed throughout the evening and, as a whole, the first meeting of the Atlin District Sourdoughs was a decidedly successful affair.

A young woman working in a stocking factory, fearing her chances small for a life partner, wrote the following and slipped it into the toe of a gentleman's sock. "A young lady, good looking and of some means, would like to correspond with the wearer of this sock, if he is single, with a view to matrimony." A young man bought the sock and said, "this is my chance." He wrote to the young lady, offering himself as a suitable party, and to his surprise got this reply: "I have been married eight years and have a family of five children." The merchant from whom he bought the socks had never advertised, consequently they had lain on his shelves for over eight years.

Miss Antique—The man I marry must be a hero.

Miss Pert—There is no doubt about that.

FORGET IT.

It may be slang, but all the same

It's corking good advice;

To cut it out would be a shame--

It cuts a lot of ice.

If you are up against it strong

And hard, you shouldn't let it

Disturb your slumbers very long--

Forget it!

If you've a grinch against a guy

You think has done you dirt,

And never speak as you pass by,

It's always bound to hurt.

A grinch is something that will

grow.

If you're disposed to pet it;

It does no good on earth, you know--

Forget it!

If little Flossy turns you down;

If you go stony broke;

If somebody should roast you brown,

Just treat it as a joke.

Keep cool and easy in your mind,

Let no more bluff upset it;

That way is far best, you'll find--

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