

CITIZENS ARE FORCED TO FIGHT FLAMES AT POINT OF REVOLVER

Three hundred thousand persons will be left homeless in San Francisco by tonight. Help is needed at once.

THE FIRE CHIEF MARSHAL OF SAN FRANCISCO SENDS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE: "EDITOR OAKLAND TRIBUNE—MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE AREA OF THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO HAS BEEN DESTROYED, AND THERE IS NO PROSPECT OF SAVING THE BALANCE OF THE CITY. THE FOLLOWING IS THE BOUNDARY OF THE DISTRICT NORTH OF MARKET STREET NOW DEVASTATED: SANSOME TO SACRAMENTO STREETS; SACRAMENTO TO POWELL, THENCE TO CALIFORNIA, TO HYDE, TO EDDY, TO LARKIN, TO GOLDEN GATE, TO GOUGH AND TO MARKET. ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF MARKET STREET THE FIRE EXTENDS ALONG MARKET TO FOURTEENTH AND BELOW THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRACKS TO THE BOUNDARY."

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19, 8 a. m.—The fire is working up to California street, known as Nob Hill. It is already up to Pine and Mason streets, and the annex to Hopkins' Art Institute is on fire.

One engine is working at this place with a limited water supply from a cistern. Across the street

is the Fairmount Hotel, recently erected by Mrs. Celrichs. This building will probably stand, as it is entirely fireproof.

Adjoining the Hopkins Institute is the Stanford mansion. To the west the flames have spread to Fillmore and Golden Gate avenue and north to Sutter and Leavenworth.

The art treasures are being re-

moved from the Hopkins Institute. A detachment of sailors from one of the warships is assisting the firemen at this point.

Officers with drawn pistols are forcing citizens to work.

People are leaving their homes and fleeing to Golden Gate Park and the Presidio.

All night long a constant stream of humanity walked the

streets to the west. The number of people who slept out of doors last night, and by tonight the number of homeless will reach 300,000.

There is suffering from lack of food and water already.

San Francisco needs help, and needs it quick.

One train in over the valley route from Los Angeles last

night with the Supreme Court on board. No trains are running on the coast route.

The Fairmount is surrounded on three sides by the fire.

Every man who went near the scene is impressed by Lieutenant McMillan of the Bear.

This young officer has a cool eye and a wicked looking pistol, and the way the men jump when

his gun is pointed was interesting. McMillan was everywhere directing operations, and his energy earned the admiration

even of those he forced to work.

The new postoffice building at Seventh and Mission streets is gutted and there are no mail deliveries.

The telegraph and telephone are still out of commission.

Fully three-fourths of all the buildings in the city will be destroyed.

It is impossible to estimate accurately the number of people killed or the property loss.

A noticeable feature of the past two days is the calmness of the people. They are perhaps dazed,

but, in any event, they show little emotion.

GREAT CITY IS IN RUINS

BY RAY TAYLOR

MEMBER OF TRIBUNE STAFF.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—This is a city of ruins.

There is no pen that can describe the scene of desolation left in the wake of the terrible disaster that has overtaken it. What made San Francisco famous is nothing but heaps of smoldering bricks. Its magnificent buildings, its Market street, its gay and happy throngs are no more. Its inhabitants are fleeing from it as though from a dread pestilence. The ferries are taking its thousands at every trip. The boats running in every direction are loaded to the water line with fleeing people.

East street presents a scene the rout of any army never equaled for its disorder. Extending along the water front it is the only means of access to the ferries. It is the one highway along which the rich and poor, old and young, with their bedding and worldly possessions tied up every sort of odd package and making their way. The scene beggars description and the pen of a Hugo or Tolstol would be unequal to give any

adequate idea of it.

LOSS IS UNTOLD.

And oh! the loss of it. The awful desolation and waste of what men in this world set great store by! The loss is untold and will be far reaching. The insurance companies are threatened with a loss probably only equaled by the great fire at Chicago. Viewing the smoldering ruins from the top of the once proud Nob Hill, with its mansions, its gardens and its statues, one gets a faint realization of how terrible a monster Nero must have been to have been able to fiddle while Rome burned.

And the fire is still raging. At noon today it is burning with unrestrained fury. And the entire Western Addition is threatened. One final stand is to be made at Van Ness avenue and O'Farrell streets. The old guard at Waterloo, begrimed with powder and driven back at a hundred points made no more noble effort at the dusk of that terrible day than the remainder of the San Francisco fire department as it drew up to re-

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PERISH IN FLAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The new United States postoffice building is on fire, but the walls are still standing. It is thought to be gutted. The United States Supreme Court building collapsed at midnight last night.

Nob Hill is now in the grasp of the flames. The Mark Hopkins Institute is ablaze and the attendants are carrying out the pictures to save them. The Crocker and Searles residences across the street are also burning.

The supply of dynamite has given out and there is little water. On Nob Hill there is no water at all, not even drinking water, and the flames hold complete sway.

The only place where there is any water is in the Hayes Valley district and there is very little there.

A desperate but fruitless stand was made with dynamite at Sixteenth street by the fire-fighters, who have done everything possible to save the

doomed city. The round buses and car shops at the Southern Pacific yards at Thirteenth and Harrison streets have been blown up and destroyed.

Market-street Hill a mass of refugees and is also piling high with furniture and other household belongings. The Southern Pac Hospital at Fourteenth and Miss was deserted at midnight.

Yesterday eighteendies were taken from the ruins of Valencia Hotel on Valencia and Steenth streets, and many more are to be imprisoned there.

A three-story bulg at the corner of Eighteenth and Valencia streets is in the middle of street.

Valencia street hunk ten feet. A creek existed here one time and this has since been filled in. Here the entire street has been moved aside and executes a wide curve instead of its usual straight line. The street is forty feet out of

The sights of the Mission district are pitiful. Women and children have been huddled in the streets, their faces pale and wan and telling in such a heartrending fashion of their suffering.

The fire burned itself out on Octavia street. Prager's department store was a roaring furnace all night and this morning collapsed with a frightful crash. The Donohoe building on Taylor and Market streets did likewise.

Chinatown has been wiped out of existence.

Hundreds of street cars have been burned in the streets. The car barns on Twenty-ninth and Mission streets collapsed yesterday, destroying all the cars housed therein.

The walls of the New York Mutual Life building were still standing late this morning, but the structure was completely gutted. Preparations were made this morning to dynamite the walls.

THREATENED WITH DEATH

PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR

The Federal troops, the members of the regular police force and all special police officers have been authorized by me to kill any and all persons found engaged in looting or in the commission of any other crime.

I have directed all the gas and electric lighting companies not to turn on gas or electricity until I order them to do so. You may therefore expect the city to remain in darkness for an indefinite time.

I request all citizens to remain at home from darkness until daylight every night until order is restored.

I warn all citizens of the danger of fire from damaged or destroyed chimneys, broken or leaking gas pipes or fixtures, or any like cause.

E. E. SCHMITZ, Mayor.

Dated, April 18, 1906.

\$1,000,000 FOR SUFFERERS

The following telegram has been received in Washington by Paul Cowles, superintendent of the Associated Press:

"WASHINGTON, April 19.—The Senate resolution appropriating \$500,000 for the relief of the San Francisco earthquake sufferers was amended by the House Committee on Appropriations, the amount being increased to \$1,000,000."

DEATH AND DEVIATION

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DESCRIPTION OF HORRORS

BY TALIESIN EVANS

EDITORIAL WRITER ON CHRONICLE.

ceive the onslaught of the wall of fire. The reply of a grizzled engineer, standing at the corner of O'Farrell street and Van Ness avenue, beside a blackened engine, may not have been as terse, expressive and pointed as Hugo's captain of the guards at Waterloo, but the pathos of it could have been no greater.

ONE MORE STAND.
In answer to the writer's query as to what he proposed to do, he said: "We are waiting for it to come. When it gets here we will make one more stand. It crosses Van Ness avenue the city is gone."

O'FARRELL STREET.
A block down O'Farrell street the flames were crackling and burning without any attempt being made to stay them. Then the dynamites began their work. The district was cleared out. The explosive was applied. Whether the stand will succeed is a matter that at the time of writing is being fought out. But as the flames reached Van Ness avenue at this point Chinatown was blazing with a fury indescribable. Sing Pat & Co.'s store, the delight of tourists, with its Oriental treasures, was burning tinder.

THROUGH CHINATOWN.
A brisk wind was taking the flames up the hill through Chinatown towards Taylor and Jackson streets at the corner of which stands the beautiful Tevis home. By the time of writing it can safely be said to be a heap of ruins. There was no attempt to stop the fire. There was nothing to stop it with and no one to do it. Soldiers patrol the streets and the entire district was deserted of every living thing. The fire had full sway and Chinatown, for the removal of which many a scheme has been devised, is but a memory.

ON NOB HILL.
Nob Hill is a scene of desolation and the beautiful Mark Hopkins institute of Art, where the gay and carefree have danced away many an hour at carnival balls, is no more. Even the Fairmount Hotel, which in its lordly grandeur stood alone upon its eminence with little about it as yet to give food to flames, was the center of a smoking furnace and the damage incalculable.

A TENTED CITY.
North Beach is a tented city. From the heights above the bay it has the appearance of an army sitting in quarters. The fire there was stopped early and this district is now a tented city. Refugees to hundreds of the poor, who, with their worldly goods, with nothing but the sky above them, are making the best of the situation until they know what to do.

WESTERN ADDITION.
The Western Addition is a scene of flight. The houses are being deserted, express wagons, and even people hauling away at the shafts, are engaged in carrying away their belongings as far as Van Ness and Buchanan streets the fire marshals were warning the inhabitants to open their windows, top and bottom, so that the force of the dynamite will shatter their glass. If the stand made at Van Ness avenue stops the fire these houses may be saved.

MARKET STREET.
Market street is no more. The writer picked his way up that once populous thoroughfare and on either side of the ferries to its end, there is not a building. On either side as far as the eye can reach the scene is one of desolation and ruins. The picture of some old and deserted city is the best description that can be given of it. The bricks from both sides of the street cumber the street at places to a depth of several feet.

FOUNTAIN IS DRY.
As the writer walked up Market street the first thing that bore any resemblance to its old self was the fountain. A group, at the fountain near Front and Market streets. Situated in a square and made of bronze, this group entitled "Work" still stands. Continuing up Market street the fountain presented to the city by James D. Phelan at Mission and Market streets is the next and only landmark that is recognizable in the entire length of the street.

SINGERS STRIPPED TO NAKED CHILDREN
The members of the famous Con-reid Opera Company, to the number of 265, who arrived in San Francisco only last Monday, are stranded here without money or other belongings. Nathan Franko, the musical director, is in Oakland, but Mrs. Eames, Sembrich, Caruso, and many others of the famous company of stars are missing. Franko hopes they have been taken charge of by some one in San Francisco, but has no information whatever concerning their whereabouts.

The company lost all its musical instruments, except the violins, valued at \$12,000, which Franko saved by making seven flying trips to the top of the Palace Hotel while it was in flames, besides all the trunks, wearing apparel, etc. Franko is now endeavoring to arrange in some manner for passage to New York for his people.

of the soldier still floats the flag to the breeze.

AT ZINKAND'S.
Opposite this fountain Zinkand's restaurant once catered to the wants of happy throngs. It is no more. The Hibernia Savings at the corner of McAllister and Market streets was still burning inside but its walls apparently are safe. Its shape is unrecognizable. The new City Hall was attacked by flames and when the earthquake failed to do the flames completed.

Standing where the Mechanics Pavilion once stood there are acres of land level as a barn floor looking out towards the Mission. But looking back from this point there are the never-ending ruins. Towering walls threaten the passerby at every step. Many of the buildings are still blazing, even where the fire has long since passed over.

STILL BURNING.
The small of burning mat adds to the effect of desolation. In the basement of the Postal Telegraph building on Montgomery, including the St. Francis Hotel. The superstructure was gone but the fire still is burning.

PALACE HOTEL.
The blackened walls of the Palace Hotel are already cold. It is an unrecognizable mass of debris. Part of the walls stand, but it is completely gutted, while the rest has been reduced to a heap of bricks left standing or another.

The vaults of the Union Trust Company at Montgomery are seemingly intact, but the basement below the level of the street shows good signs of preservation. The Call building still remains. The steel structure is there but all else gone. The old Chronicle building is a heap of bricks. The new part which has just been added and still incomplete afforded no lodgment for one stands alone.

WHITTY-GOODS HOUSES.
The Whitty House with all its finery is a thing of the past. The City of Paris and all about Union Square, including the St. Francis Hotel, are nothing but ruins. The Flood building, at Powell and Market streets, is charred and crumbling. The Call building, situated beneath it, is filled with burning bricks.

JUST A HOLE.
The Good Fellow's Grotto, out near the City Hall, presents a similar appearance. There is nothing there but a hole in the ground. Of the City Hall nothing remains except possibly the interior of the Hall. Records from the outside it cannot be told how serious the injury has been to the documents placed there for record.

Van Ness avenue, the pride of the city, is torn and crumpled from one end to the other. The earthquake caused parts of it to sink and what was not accomplished by the burning of the water main, the street washed quickly and the thoroughfare is a ruin.

PATHETIC SPECTACLE.
At places along it the marks of the sinister dynamite were discernible. The houses were being deserted. A pathetic spectacle was the sight of old Judge Wainwright, at his home at 789 Van Ness avenue. He was on his veranda watching the flames eating their way towards him not three blocks distant.

Grizzled and gray the old man, who has been the center of many a storm, showed no signs of fright, and with head sunk between his shoulders sat stolidly by, waiting to see what the fate of his home was to be. The Hall of Justice and the Broadway Jail have been deserted and the prisoners from both of the places have all been removed to Fort Mason. Both places are wrecks and untenable.

LIST OF INJURED.
A partial list of the injured removed from the Mechanics Pavilion when it caught on fire and were taken on Gate park, are:

- W. P. Laughlin, 168 Turk street.
- Annie McLaughlin, 111 Grove street.
- George Kruger, 26 Lincoln street.
- Patrick Broderick, Valencia hotel.
- W. Burr, Fifth and Tehama.
- Mrs. Etchoff, 540 Jackson street.
- Mrs. Matzka, 150 Rusa street.
- Walter Hallman, no address.
- Julius Walker, 119 Fifth street.
- M. Donovan, 916 Natoma street.
- Albert D. Soger, 312 Sixth street.
- E. B. Freedman, 114 Fourth street.
- Frank J. Miller, 222 Natoma street.
- Louis Stacker, 70 1/2 Larkin street.
- R. B. Yates, 497 Fourth street.
- Joseph Crews, 577 Stevenson street.
- Bridget Dillon, 818 Sixth street.
- Harry Gleason, Sixth street, between Mission and Market streets.
- Leon Nicholas, 1695 Dupont street, and wife and two children.

PHELAN MAY GIVE A MILLION
SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—Former Mayor Phelan is rumored to have sent word to Major Thorpe of the N. G. C. to draw on him for \$1,000,000 for the relief of the needy ones.

DR. S. B. WAKEFIELD HAS INFORMED THE RELIEF COMMITTEE THAT HE WILL CARE FOR AS MANY HOMELESS ONES AS HE CAN, NAMING HIS OFFICE AT 1008 BROADWAY AS THE PLACE WHERE THEY MAY BE SENT.
Dr. Wakefield will entertain as many as possible, he says, at his home, 1811 Harrison street, and will also accommodate one or two at a place he has in East Oakland. "I can put a few there," says Dr. Wakefield, "as I have one or two beds there. I don't know how much I can feed them, if the grocery stores don't open, but I will do the best I can."

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The magnitude of the calamity that has befallen San Francisco became apparent this morning when a red sun arose above the horizon and disappeared the pall of darkness that hung over the stricken districts. Looking eastward from the heights in the central portion of the metropolis, everything attested to the awful havoc wrought by earthquake and flame. Where once rose noble buildings in serried columns now stand nothing but frail walls, isolated tottering chimneys, heaps of twisted iron and huge wastes of brick and mortar. And to add to the horror of the situation the destruction had not reached its conclusion. In several sections the fire was still raging with unabated vigor converting into smoke and ashes everything in the shape of combustible material and turning into ruin structures that had cost millions to erect.

It was with saddened hearts that the community viewed the ruin of their city, but the extent of the devastation has not yet come to be fully realized. The people are aware of the catastrophe only in a dazed way, and it will not be until the horrors of famine and want are added to their suffering that the fullness of the work of disturbed nature and the fiery element.

FEAR OF FAMINE.
For famine is already presenting its hideous face. At best the city never carried more than three days' supply of provisions and food, and now with the wholesale districts and warehouses wiped out, there is already a shortage of food and prices this morning were in most instances trebled and even quintupled. An Associated Press man was obliged to pay twenty-five cents for a small glass of mineral water in the Hayes Valley district. There is absolutely not a drop of water in that half of the city that has been laid waste.

This morning policemen were stationed at some of the retail shops, regulating the sale of food stuffs, and permitting only a small portion of goods to be delivered to each purchaser. The idea being to prevent a few persons, gathering in large quantities of supplies. Reports were received that numerous shootings had occurred of men caught in the act of looting. The military is unusually strict in observing the enforcement of this order. One man on Market street who was found digging in the ruin of a jewelry shop was discovered by a naval reserve man and fired upon three times. The fellow sought safety in flight but the reserve man brought him down by running his bayonet through him. The bodies of the three thieves were lying in the streets on the south side this forenoon.

HIGH WITH RUINS.
Reports of extensive shooting came to press representatives from various quarters, but verification of the reports is absolutely impossible. In fact concerted action of any kind is simply out of the question, and almost every official is acting on his own responsibility, it being a physical impossibility to communicate with the superior authorities. Yesterday some effort of systematic communication could be had by means of automobiles, but today every street is piled high with ruins and to add to this trouble

there is constant danger from falling walls. On miles of streets the front walls of ruined buildings still stand, swaying and tottering, and liable to fall at any moment with the concussion of distant dynamite explosions, and the rising winds. Frequently a crash of stone and brick, followed by a cloud of dust, give warning to pedestrians of the unsafety of travel. All manners of reports of death and disaster are coming to the temporary headquarters of the authorities, but they are received with due allowance to the excitement of the occasion. The flight of residents from the city continued today in the nature of a panic, a slight earthquake at 5 o'clock accentuating their terrors. The ferry boats to adjacent counties were crowded to the utmost, and to the westward portion of the peninsula a constant throng of homeless people, carrying their portable household belongings, are adding to the colonies in the secure sand hills and the parks. Golden Gate park and the unimproved blocks of the district south and north are already presenting the appearance of tented cities, many varieties of shelters being improvised from bedding and blankets.

PATH OF FLAMES.
The wind changed this forenoon to the west, and the flames changed their devouring direction southward and began eating their wide swath from the water front on the north of Market street, up to what is known as Nob Hill, an eminence that had been selected years ago by the millionaires of the "boonanza" days, upon which to erect their mansions. This hill is surrounded by the Hotel Fairmount, just finished at a cost of over a million dollars. It is a beautiful structure of white stone, visible from almost every point of the city, and the horror was universal when its destruction seemed inevitable. Steadily but surely the fire ate its way up the hill, and the home of the late Mrs. Jane L. Stanford and the Hopkins Art Institute, built by Mark Hopkins of Central Pacific railroad fame. At this trifling the hotel could be seen occasionally standing in the center of huge clouds of smoke, and if it is saved, its situation may be superlative. From the upward slope the fire ate its way northward, westerly into the district had been left untouched by night. This portion of the town, known as the Latin quarter, occupied by several serious nationalities and the houses are all of flimsy construction. Onsetting foothold there the fire will its way through a forest in the driest time of summer.

ZONE ORIGIN.
In the Mission district to the south of Market street (zone of ruin was extended further toward the extreme southern point but was checked at Fourteenth and Mission Streets by the wholesale user dynamite. At this point are located the Southern Pacific Hospital, the S. Francis Hospital and the College of Physicians and Surgeons. In order to save these institutions buildings were run up all around them and the danger threatening them had been averted up noon. In the Hayes Valley district south of McAllister and north of Market street the fire was confined the west by Octavia street and on the north by McAllister street. Withness confines the destruction was complete. Herein were located St. Ignatius Dege and church, of which only the sidewalk remains. The Mechanics Pavilion, the scene of hundreds of great political, social and sporting events not a remnant remains. On the west side of the street, a ruin among many a similar nature, from this point the fire ate its way northward, and especially the city's greatest thoroughfare.

APPALLING SCENE.
The journey was heartrending—the scene appalling. On either side was ruin—nothing but ruin. To the south in hundreds of blocks hardly a building remained whole, and notable among these few were the new postoffice and the United States Mint. The latter escaped almost unscathed on account of its isolated environment and peculiarly fire-proof construction, but the force of the heaving power of the earth quake could be seen in the cracked walls of the post-office and in front of it on Seventh and Mission streets the ground had sunk for several feet. Across an alley from the postoffice stood the Grant building, one of the headquarters of the army. This was gutted.

Opposite the Grant building on Market street the ruins of the Hibernia Savings Bank loomed up, its former beautiful frontage transformed into hideous aspect. This was the great bank of the middle and poorer classes and its loss will cause possibly greater sorrow south of Market street than perhaps the loss of any other one institution. From this point down to the ferry the same story could be told of each succeeding block.

PALACE HOTEL.
Last night at 11 o'clock the north side of the street had been untouched and had been expressed that the great Flood, Crocker, Stearns and other houses would be spared, but they, too, today are included in the list of victims. The Palace Hotel still stands, a huge monument to the awful disaster of yesterday, its blackened walls and empty interior bearing but resemblance to the luxurious hostelry of a day ago. The handsome, gigantic St. Francis Hotel, on Powell street, fronting Union Square, is a ruined shell. This was one of the high steel structures that had defied the terrible temblor of yesterday, but this morning it is another sad tribute to the completeness of the devastation that has visited San Francisco. Among the other skyscrapers in the section north of Market street that fell prey to the flames were the fourteen-story Merchants' Exchange and the Mills building, occupying almost an entire block.

LOSS OF LIFE.
There is still much confusion concerning the loss of life. This forenoon there were twenty-seven corpses lying in Portsmouth Square, gathered from various sections. It is said that elsewhere bodies are lying in the streets, there being no means available to remove them. In his travel down Market street the Associated Press representative saw three bodies lying in the debris, some dead covering having been thrown over them to protect them from the heat and glare of the sun.

ON RUSSIAN HILL.
At 10:30 o'clock the flames were sweeping up Russian Hill, being fanned by a brisk wind. The most lamentable feature of the conflagration is the utter absence of means to stay its progress. There is not a sound water main east of Van Ness avenue, and west of that street the supply has been made scanty by numerous breaks in the continuity of the pipes due to the earthquake. Yet at Van Ness avenue the firemen, though practically exhausted from over twenty-four hours' work and lack of food, are determined to make their most desperate stand. Should the fire cross Van Ness avenue and the wind continue in its earlier direction toward the west, the destruction of San Francisco will practically be complete. All west of Van Ness and north of McAllister street constitute the most part of the metropolis. Here are located all of the finer homes of the well-to-do and wealthier classes, and if it should fall before the conflagration there would be little left of the city except a few scattered suburbs. It is to these latter places, and especially the ones nearer the ocean beach, that the bulk of the homeless are seeking safety, although the rush to the ferries, too, was in the nature of a panic.

HUNDREDS OF RUINS AT SAN FRANCISCO
The taking of this position was the only thing that saved. The dresser held up the beams, it tumbled over him and these in turn protected him somewhat from the fire mass of debris. "I was imprismed five hours," says Mr. Duffy, "before being rescued. Three times I tried to call and the rescuers heard me could not locate my position from them of my voice and I could hear the ding away after getting close to me. "Finally I got of a lath from the ruins around me it through a hole left by the blowing of a steam pipe, and by waving it yelling at the same time, finally managed to show the people where I was. In I at last crawled out the crowd in to cheer. I said: "What are they ringing for" and some-

one answered: "They are cheering for you." "There were about 800 people killed in the destruction of the three hotels and not less than 500 in the whole town. The whole business section of the place collapsed at once and was leveled to the ground almost inside of five minutes. Then the fire started and burned Fourth street from one end to the other, starting at each end and meeting in the middle, thus sweeping over the ruins and burning the imprisoned people. "I saw two arms protruding from one part of the debris, and waving frantically. There was so much noise, however, that the screams could not be heard. Just then, as I looked, the flames swept over them, and cruelly finished the work begun by the earthquake. The night sickened me and I turned away."

REMOVING FREEMEN ALL GOODS IN PANIC
Assistant District Attorney Robert O. Duke of San Francisco, who came over on duty for Mayor Schmitz, said that when he left, about 8 a. m., the Pleasanton Hotel, at Sutter and Powell streets had just caught. "All the goods had been taken out of the Stanford House," said he. Chinatown had gone, and dynamiting was being done north of California street and west of Mason. A "dead-line" had been drawn at Clay and Mason. The fire seems likely to clean up the beach.

TENTS ARE WANTED TRACK IS SUNK
SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The following dispatch to the military commander of the Southern section of California shows a further appeal for aid. "GENERAL ROBERT WANKOWSKI, Los Angeles, Cal.—Send all tents, commissary supplies at once to Oakland. "LAUCK, Adjutant-General."

OFFERED A HOME CHINESE IN CITY
To aid the relief of some unfortunate family who may have two little girls, Mrs. N. C. Millan of 718 Chester street, offers to take two girls and care for them for a few weeks until such time that their parents may be able to get settled.

HOSPITAL SHIP.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The Southern Pacific river steamer Modoc has been placed in the hospital service. The patients in St. Mary's Hospital and those at the Old Ladies' Home were placed on the steamer last night. The Modoc left for Oakland and is now anchored at the foot of Broadway.

ARE PAUPERS.
"Men who were millionaires at day-break are paupers, everything they possess having been consumed by fire or destroyed by the earthquake. It will be impossible for some weeks for the banks to know how they have set every bank building of any consequence in the city has been burned out.

CANNOT ESTIMATE.
"In the whole business section of the city most of the buildings were destroyed by the quake and the fire sweeping over afterward. Probably policy-holders in that section will not be able to recover any of their insurance because the property was destroyed by a 'visitation of God.' I do not believe it is possible for anybody to form an intelligent estimate of the damage done and the loss sustained.

THE LESSONS.
"If it is rebuilt, the lessons of this fire should not be overlooked or forgotten. The city will undoubtedly see to its own protection and erected in a way that in the event of fire breaking out it can be confined to one block. Probably boulevarding the city will be introduced on an extensive scale.

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In some places the fire is so hot that it is almost impossible to get within two blocks of it, and thus the efforts of the men are rendered useless at that point.

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300,000 PEOPLE HOMELESS!

APPEAL TO BE MADE TO CONGRESS

THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM WAS SENT TO SENATOR PERKINS TODAY:

"WON. GEORGE C. PERKINS, SENATE CHAMBER, WASHINGTON, D. C.

"EVERY BOAT FROM CITY CROWDED WITH HOMELESS, PENNILESS REFUGEES. FIFTY OR A HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE WILL BE CAST ON OAKLAND TEMPORARILY. CAN'T CONGRESS DO SOMETHING AT ONCE TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY RELIEF?"

"W. E. DARGIE."

RENTING BUSINESS QUARTERS HERE

Many San Francisco commission houses and wholesale insurance agents are securing quarters in Oakland for the transaction of business. Several have applied to the postoffice for delivery of their mail and for such other postal facilities as they can secure. In a few days there will probably be a rush to secure business accommodations in this city.

WOULD NOT LEAVE FAMINE OF WATER

An example of the terror that seized hold of the inhabitants of San Francisco and their all prevailing desire to get somewhere—anywhere to obtain a place of safety—is that afforded by a couple of men who recently came out from the East and who spent all yesterday afternoon getting from San Francisco to Oakland.

They had come here to a friend's home at the corner of Thirtieth and Adeline streets and found the occupants of the house gone though, they afterwards obtained admittance and located their friends.

When it seemed uncertain as to whether they would gain a lodgment, a neighbor said to the man that she would see that they were provided with a place to sleep, if their friends did not return.

"Oh, don't you worry about us," said one of the men. "That vacant lot right there looks pretty good to us."

One of these men, having heard of California earthquakes, supposed they were all as severe as this one, and therefore was not particularly alarmed at first. When the shock threw him out of bed, he calmly arose, climbed back in bed and tried to resume his slumbers. When he was thrown out a second time he decided it was no use trying to sleep and proceeded to dress and leave the building.

COOGAN TELLS OF LOSSES

T. C. Coogan, who arrived in Oakland at 11:30 o'clock a. m., said: "At 11 o'clock the Lloyd Tevis home on California street was destroyed. The home of the late Governor Stanford is aflame. This adjoins the Hopkins Art Gallery on the East.

"It appears now as if the art gallery would have to go. The Flood mansion is in danger and the yard is filled with people who are cutting the canvases of the Hopkins Art Gallery so as to save the pictures and let the frames burn. The Fairmont looks intact as yet, but is very black. The Cole building, at Montgomery and California streets, looks pretty well. The Pacific Mutual building at Montgomery and Sacramento streets is in ruins. The Fireman's Fund building, which extends from Sansome to Leldesdorf streets, is gone.

"The Safe Deposit building, at the corner of Montgomery and Sacramento streets, is destroyed, but the vaults are intact.

"The American National Bank, which is located in the Merchants' Exchange, is destroyed.

SEVEN-Y-FIVE CENTS CHARGED FOR A LOAF OF BREAD--SODA CRACKERS SELL FOR TEN CENTS EACH.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—One hundred thousand people have been rendered homeless and fully 200,000 more forced to seek shelter in the public squares of the city in consequence of the fire.

These people are living in tents constructed of sheets, blankets, bits of rugs and strips of carpets.

The cooking is being done after the Indian fashion.

Impromptu stoves are being constructed with the bricks that before the earthquake constituted

the chimneys of the neighborhood and over this fire the canned goods and preserved stuffs are prepared.

Such a thing as fresh meat is now quite out of the question.

It is almost impossible to get eggs or milk.

Many grocery shops asked and got seventy-five cents for a loaf of bread.

Soda crackers are being sold at ten cents apiece.

Ordinary canned goods that generally retail for ten to fifteen cents each, are being disposed of for \$1 each.

The appalling havoc wrought by the flames will be completely overshadowed within the next twenty-four hours by the famine that now threatens the city.

Twenty thousand people who lost their all by the flames south of Market street, are practically destitute, and their formerly more prosperous townsmen are little better off.

Appeals for food are being sent broadcast, and unless these are immediately responded to the authorities will be confronted with a problem in starvation of unparalleled magnitude.

One of the immediate effects of the earthquake and fine conditions has been a raise in restaurant prices from 25 to 100 per cent. The following are the prices at one of the best middle-class restaurants, old and new:

Articles	Prices—Old	New
Tea, coffee, or milk	10	15
Rolls, with cream	15	20
Crackers, with cream	20	25
Waffles, with maple syrup	20	25
All cakes the same	20	25
Eggs in most styles	20	25
Ham or Jelly Omelet	20	25
Poached Eggs on Toast	20	25
Ham and Eggs	20	25
Bacon and Eggs, same	20	25
Fried Ham or Bacon	20	25
Mutton, pork and veal	15	20
Corned beef hash and poached egg	15	20
Sandwiches, all advanced	5	10
Porterhouse steak	60	60
Sirloin steak	40	40
Rib steak	25	25
Mutton, pork and veal	15	20
Pork and Frankfurter sausages	15	20
Minced Potatoes	5	10
Dinner bill meat orders all advanced—each	5	10
Shrimp Salad	15	20
Other salads	10	15
Fresh Asparagus	10	15
All vegetable dishes	5	10
Pies of all kinds	5	10
Pudding	5	10
Boiled Rice and Cream	10	15
Baked Apples and cream, etc.	10	15
Sauces, each	5	10

AID TO STRICKEN

A meeting of the Citizens' Relief Committee, which was organized last night for the aid of the sufferers by the destruction of San Francisco, was held in the rooms of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce this morning.

There was a large attendance. Officers were elected and subscriptions to the amount of \$3725 were made by gentlemen present.

The committee earnestly requests citizens who wish to contribute for the purpose of aiding the refugees to send in their checks immediately. The checks will be used as a circulating medium. Assistance is needed at once.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Rev. Dr. E. E. Baker of the First Presbyterian Church was elected president; Wilber Walker, secretary; D. Edward Collins, treasurer; A. Jonas, vice-president, and Earl Bingham, assistant secretary.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Subscriptions were then made as follows: John de Lancy, \$50; John P. Cook, \$50; J. P. Edoff, \$50; George S. Naismith, \$50; Judge Ogden, \$50; Royal Arch, \$50; A. Jonas, \$50; E. A. Young, \$50; W. H. Welby, \$50; Merchants' Exchange, \$100; J. P. Taylor, \$50; D. Edward Collins, \$100; Edward Booth, \$25; Oakland N. S. G. W., \$25; A. H. Schuster, \$50; E. F. Adams, \$100; H. G. Morrow, \$25; Charles S. Hanna, \$25; J. W. Phillips, \$50; Judge George Samuels, \$10 paid; J. T. Moran, \$100; Oakland Bank of Savings, \$500; Mary T. Requa, \$50; W. C. Fuller, \$100; Dr. Herriek, \$100; A. R. Dabney, \$50; J. P. Maxwell, \$50; E. J. Saake, \$50; J. J. Lea, \$10; H. C. Capwell, \$50; Pacific Oil Company, \$100; Dr. Pease, \$25; C. P. Taylor, \$100; J. J. Warner, \$50; Owen Kennedy (boy), five cents paid; J. Caire, \$25.

COMMITTEES.

Committees were then appointed as follows:

Finance—J. P. Taylor, chairman; Theo Gier, Mayor Mott, H. G. Williams, James Edger, H. G. Morrow, Dr. John French, Houshing, H. N. Jones, H. N. Gard, John Tinch, Dr. Herriek, S. B. French, J. J. McElroy, Arthur Kniss, Dr. Pease, Provisions—E. Young, Edwin Stearns, F. Beardsley, H. D. Cushing, S. Mather, F. Becker, J. Tallman.

Transportation—J. C. Downey, Van Frey, W. C. Forsinger, J. Galt, W. C. Russell, William Muller, D. J. Hahn, Sol Kahn, Wickham Haven, Dr. Pease.

Health—All the members of the present Board of Health, of which Dr. Ewer is chairman.

Publicity—Wilber Walker, Edwin Stearns, Earl S. Bingham.

Executive—Dr. C. R. Brown, Rev. T. McSwiney, Rabbi Friedlander, William Muller, E. Adams, W. Williams, I. H. Clay, P. N. Hanrahan, J. H. Shepherd, Dr. Ewer, J. J. Warner, Mortimer Smith, Thomas Robinson, Judge Samuels, C. J. Reed, L. Larsen.

P. N. Hanrahan announced, in behalf of the Royal Arch, that that organization, in addition to its donation of \$500 above referred to, had appointed a committee to personally canvass every liquor dealer in Oakland to make a personal donation to the fund. The committee in question consists of F. Kniss, Carl S. Plautt and W. P. Courtney.

The owners of the Cape Ann and Imperial Hotel bakeries may be used by the committee in the baking of bread for the refugees.

Instructions have been issued to the relief committee that parties arriving at Center street will be taken to Union-street Presbyterian Church or Central Methodist Church. Those arriving via Adeline street will be taken to St. Andrew's Church.

Those coming via Market street, to St. John's Church.

Those via Broadway to the First Methodist Church, First Congregational Church or First Presbyterian Church.

COMMITTEE TO MEET.

ALAMEDA, April 19.—A call has been issued for a General Citizens' Protective Committee of 100 to be appointed at a mass meeting to be held at the Encinal office at 5 o'clock this afternoon. This committee is to be for the purpose of protecting the public against thievery, as a result of the coming over here of many of the residents of the Barbary Coast and other similar sections of San Francisco.

The call is signed by P. N. Berringer, E. K. Taylor, H. R. Taylor, E. P. Fish, G. H. Waggoner and Trevor Cory.

Another committee of Elks and others is carrying on the work of raising funds for the needy.

HOTEL PLEASANTON DESTROYED BY FIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The Pleasanton Hotel is totally destroyed by fire.

MERCHANTS TO PAY ARE FAIR INSURANCE

Special meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce was held this forenoon, for the consideration of the existing unfortunate condition. It was called to order by President Adams and Messrs. Breed, Capwell, Phillips, Mott, Kahn, Welby and Binger.

MR. CAPWELL SPEAKS.

Mr. Capwell said:

"I wish to offer a resolution that I feel at this time should be offered by this Chamber of Commerce. I wish to make a few remarks about the great public calamity that has overtaken us. Of course we are all acquainted with the fact that our sister city, San Francisco, is practically wiped out. Forgetting our own conditions, slight in comparison with other cities, now is the time of all others to show the greatest moderation and great consideration for the interests of not only the public but all individuals.

SPIRIT OF CONSIDERATION.

"We should show a spirit of consideration and not be exacting or hard in our settlements and demands and make it as easy as possible. I offer the following:

"Whereas, A great public calamity has visited our State, the burden of which seems to have fallen on our sister city, San Francisco; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce of Oakland, extend to San Francisco, and other unfortunate communities, our heartfelt sympathy, and that we urge and advise all our business interests to use the utmost moderation and consideration in the mutual adjustment of their affairs, in friendly co-operation."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

ENDORSE MAYOR'S METHOD.

Director Phillips thought the action of Mayor Mott taking in hand the excellent police arrangements was deserving of the recognition of other business men. He therefore offered a resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Breed, and unanimously carried.

NO INCREASE IN PRICES.

It was reported to the meeting and the names of firms were mentioned in one instance and of landlords in two instances who were taking advantage of the unfortunate condition of affairs and asking extortionate prices and rents.

Mr. Kahn said the dry goods men have agreed not to increase the prices of goods except as they were obliged to pay an increased price for same. He thereupon offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

NO EXTORTION.

"Whereas, Complaints have been made to the Chamber of Commerce that some merchants and landlords are taking advantage of this unfortunate situation to obtain exorbitant prices; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce deprecates any extortionate increase in prices of goods or rents by merchants or landlords."

RENO, Nev., April 19.—This place is safe.

The earthquake was not felt here.

The reports from the East are that the earthquake was not felt.

These reports show that the earthquake shock was confined entirely to the bay district.

BLOW UP HOSPITAL

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—It is believed that there are at least 300 bodies buried in the ruins of the Hunter House.

The Southern Pacific hospital, at the corner of Fourteenth and Mission streets, has been blown up, likewise the Linda Vista, at the corner of Fifth and Jones, and the Pleasanton, at the corner of Jones and Sutter streets.

Two bodies were found at the Spreckels Market, one buried underneath a lot of cranberries and the other lying in a stall.

The dome of the Hibernia Savings Bank, at the corner of McAllister and Market streets, was precipitated into the street.

STORE IS DAMAGED

The Abrahamson Brothers' Building at the corner of Thirteenth and Washington streets was considerably damaged by the bursting of a large water tank on the top of the building. The water made its way down through the roof of the building into the store below, ruining the stock of goods to a large extent.

CAPITOL IS SAFE

(Special to The TRIBUNE.)

SACRAMENTO, April 19.—This city is in first-class condition and was scarcely damaged by the earthquake.

An old hotel was the only place to suffer.

The people here are ready to extend aid to the stricken people of San Francisco.

BUILDING FALLS ON MAN AND WIFE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—A Schwin, an old and well-known grocer of the Mission, was killed yesterday with his wife while endeavoring to escape from their home at the corner of Erie and Howard streets.

They had gained the sidewalk, when the building fell over them, crushing them beneath it.

At the falling of the Valencia street hotel, a man named Crellin offered vast sums of money to anyone who would rescue his son, who was imprisoned beneath the ruins and who had been a bartender in the hotel.

TURN THE SKATING RINKS INTO HOSPITALS.

Many sick and wounded refugees from San Francisco, also homeless women and children are being hourly brought to Oakland. The local hospitals are already crowded to the limit, therefore accommodations for the sufferers must be provided elsewhere.

It is suggested that all the skating rinks in the city be turned into temporary hospitals. In this emergency humanity and hospitality should rise above every other consideration. We must open our doors, our hearts and our purses to our stricken neighbors, and in this period of common misfortune thoughts of ill-gate society should be dismissed for the serious offices of life.

PORTLAND ALL RIGHT

PORTLAND, April 19.—This city scarcely felt the shock of the great earthquake.

The people here are very anxious to hear the news from San Francisco. No damage was done here.

BANK COMMISSION OPENS OFFICE

The Board of Bank Commissioners of the State of California have opened offices at 221 Syndicate building, Broadway, above Fourteenth street. President Dunsmoor and Secretary J. Cal Ewing of the board say that the commission will do all in its power to ameliorate the stringency caused by the terrible calamity which has befallen the State, and will meet with the bankers of the State to devise ways and means to this end.

OFFERS HIS RINK TO THE COMMITTEE.

Manager Harry L. Eppinger of the Piedmont skating rink has informed the relief committee that the use of the Piedmont rink is at the disposal of the committee for the purpose of sheltering and feeding the homeless people of San Francisco.

Mr. Eppinger states, that while the tower of the power house has fallen, this has not affected in the least the safety of the rink, and that it can be used without fear by as many as it is deemed necessary to place therein.

The rink is of immense size and will afford a place for hundreds of persons.

HE WILL GIVE TENT FREE

C. U. Barlow says:

"I have a large tent that will hold twenty people and two large rooms that will hold ten people each free of charge, at 1014 Twenty-first street."

DR. LILLIAN BELL KILLED AT AGNEW'S.

SAN JOSE, April 19.—Dr. Lillian Bell of Berkeley was killed by the earthquake at Agnew's Asylum.

INSURANCE MEN.

The insurance managers of the Pacific Coast will meet at Reed Hall tomorrow at 10 a. m.

Ashton Stevens would like to have Landers Stevens communicate with him at 1113 Fell Street

FURNISHED upper flat; housekeeping, every convenience, 1175 18th st.

COMPETENT woman wishes situation for general housework; wages \$25 per month. Box 820 Tribune office. 5

WANTED—3 first-class brick layers; must be competent chimney men. 216 East 12th st. 4

WILL Mr. Farnon, who keeps a cigar store at 505 Battery st., San Francisco, please notify Washington Cigar Co., Lee Chung Do, New York Cigar Co., 905 Webster st., Oakland, Cal. 6

WANTED—A cleaning woman at 1486 26th ave. Call after 5 p. m. 1

SUNNY rooms, furnished or will rent as flat, furnished or unfurnished; best neighborhood. 1214 West st. 2

FIRST class room and board. Mrs. Clay, cor. Hopkins and Diamond ave., Upper Fruitvale. 1

FOR SALE—Reasonable 10-room lodging house, newly furnished. 608 8th st. 4

SAN FRANCISCO POSTOFFICE NOW BURNING

W. T. Brady, formerly in business in San Leandro, who recently bought into a place at Drumm and Jackson Streets, San Francisco, said, "I was through the burned district between 7 and 8 this morning as far up Market as Sixth Street. They were then dynamiting the remains of the St. Francis Hotel. The Fairmount Hotel had also caught fire. The new Postoffice building, ruined by the shock, was then on fire. The Callahan building had gone, the old Flood building, and I presume—I could not see it—the Hibernia Bank building. A party of capitalists from St. Louis, in a private car, were on the point of closing a deal by which they were to take an interest in the Fairmount Hotel."

1000 LIVES LOST; DAMAGE ONE BILLION DOLLARS

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 19.—A REASONABLE ESTIMATE OF THE LOSS BY FIRE HERE WILL BE AT LEAST A BILLION DOLLARS. A TRIBUNE MAN HAS JUST MADE A TOUR OF THE CITY AND HAS BASED THE ESTIMATE ABOVE ON HIS OWN OBSERVATIONS. GREAT BUILDINGS ARE IN ASHES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN EVERY DIRECTION IS DESTROYED. THE ESTIMATE OF A BILLION DOLLAR LOSS, THEREFORE, IS NOT CONSIDERED TOO LARGE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT OVER 1000 LIVES WERE LOST. D. C. MULHOLLAND, WHO WAS IN THE CITY IN CONNECTION WITH MINING INTERESTS, STOPPING AT THE CORNER OF GEARY AND POWELL, SAID THAT THE ST. FRANCIS IS A TOTAL WRECK BY FIRE. IT BURNED EARLY THIS MORNING. HE SLEPT ON THE STEPS OF THE MINT. THAT IS ABOUT THE ONLY BUILDING IN THAT SECTION UNDESTROYED. J. L. WILLIAMS OF SAN FRANCISCO SAID THE NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING WAS RUINED BY THE SHOCK OF THE EARTHQUAKE. THE STREET CAR TRACKS IN FRONT OF THE POSTOFFICE BUILDING WERE HUMPED FIVE FEET HIGH IN PLACES BY THE EARTHQUAKE, AND TWISTED FROM SIDE TO SIDE. AT 8 A. M. THIS MORNING THE FIRE WAS MOVING FIERCELY NORTHWEST OF LEAVENWORTH STREET. PEOPLE ARE COMING BACK INTO THE BURNT DISTRICT SOUTH OF MARKET STREET TO CAMP. I HAD ONLY A LOAF OF BREAD TO EAT ALL DAY YESTERDAY AND NOT A DROP OF WATER TO DRINK. NONE COULD I GET. THE SUFFERING OF CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY, WILL BE HORRIBLE. THE DAMAGE WILL AMOUNT TO ONE BILLION DOLLARS.

NOB HILL IS ON FIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—A member of the Salvation Army Relief Corps, who returned from San Francisco this morning, says that an Oakland physician who was thought to attend the injured, and also a San Francisco police captain, told him that at 6:20 this morning the Mark Hopkins Institute was burning. Also that Nob Hill, where the Stanford and many other residences were, was afire. This Relief Corps man said that if the guards at the Mechanic's Pavilion had permitted members of the Relief Corps and others who were willing to do so, to go to the rescue of the imprisoned ones that many could have been saved who were burned to death.

BATTLING TO SAVE HOMES CANNOT CROSS THE BAY

Dr. Cutler of San Francisco said today: "There is a large part of the northern section of San Francisco which is all right yet. Near the northwest corner of Eddy and Van Ness avenue there is a residence and boarding district, and when I left San Francisco at 10 o'clock this morning, they were preparing to dynamite that section. George E. Wilbort of Stockton—When I left San Francisco this morning, the fire had swept around north and west as far as Jones street and Broadway. Jones street is about three blocks west of Powell street and is in the midst of a residence district. The fire is sweeping rapidly toward Van Ness avenue. When I left, they were thinking of dynamiting the east side of Van Ness, hoping, that as Van Ness is a wide avenue, the flames would not be able to cross to the west side. The people on Van Ness avenue, however, are vacating their homes. St. Luke's church went some time ago but the new St. Mary's Cathedral has not yet been reached. The Catholic Church of St. Bridget, which is situated on the north extremity of Van Ness avenue

MAYOR SCHMITZ MAKES APPEAL TO OAKLAND

OAKLAND TRIBUNE Is the Official Representative
Send All Supplies to Its New Building



MAYOR SCHMITZ.

MAYOR SCHMITZ OF THE STRICKEN CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO HAS MADE THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE HIS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE. HE ADDRESSES THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE:

"SAN FRANCISCO, April 19, 1906.
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"IT HAS BEEN A SOURCE OF PLEASURE, AMONG ALL THE HARROWING THOUGHTS OF THIS DAY OF TERRORS, TO HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNORS OF A DOZEN OR MORE STATES, MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY FOR OUR STRICKEN CITY AND ITS PEOPLE AND PROFFERS OF ASSISTANCE OF ANY KIND THAT MAY BE NEEDED. THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES SENT TWO DISPATCHES OF CONDOLENCE, SYMPATHY, INQUIRY AND PROFFERS OF ASSISTANCE. THESE MESSAGES, IN OUR HOUR OF DEEP TROUBLE, GIVE US ASSURANCES THAT OUR DISTRESS IS SHARED BY OUR FRIENDS IN OTHER STATES.

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"GEORGE C. PARDEE, GOVERNOR."

REFUGEES ARE NOW IN GREAT DANGER

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—Residents of San Francisco are fleeing to the hills for refuge, terror depicted in every line of their countenances. Even these apparently safe spots soon became precarious and, wild with fear, the panic-stricken occupants of the doomed city fled in every direction. Those whose homes were not threat-

JUDGE CURTIS LINDLEY TELLS HARROWING EXPERIENCES

Judge Curtis Lindley, who resided at the corner of Scott street and Broadway, arrived in Oakland at 7 o'clock this morning with his family, consisting of Mrs. Lindley, Curtis Lindley Jr. and Miss Josephine Lindley, who has been prominent in San Francisco society. They are en route to Santa Cruz, where Judge Lindley stated he would find a place for his family, and return to the scene of devastation to do what he could in fighting the flames.

Judge Lindley's family spent the night on the hills not far from their home, but soon saw that their residence was doomed to destruction and hastened to escape. They started at 3 o'clock this morning and were several hours in making their way to the ferry building.

When Judge Lindley left, the Crocker building had been destroyed, also the Chronicle building, the Union Trust building, the Hobart building and the Merchants' Exchange.

Judge Lindley stated that he had heard that the Clearing House had ordered every bank on the coast closed in order that persons might not present checks on San Francisco banks to banks in other cities until the status of the San Francisco houses has been established.

The government had established a telegraphic station at the Fairmount Hotel on Nob Hill, where messages have been received from anxious inquirers all over the country.

Many inhumane people, with no heart apparently, or thought of anyone but themselves, took advantage of the necessities of the sufferers and charged fabulous prices until stopped by martial law. Some persons were charging \$5 a gallon for gasoline.

SPECIAL TRAIN COMES FROM LOS ANGELES

This morning a few minutes before 4 o'clock, a special train over the Southern Pacific Railroad arrived here from Los Angeles.

It contained a number of distinguished people who had families and friends in San Francisco and who either reside in Los Angeles or were in that city on business when the news of the destruction of San Francisco was flashed over the wire.

They were naturally anxious to reach the scene where their loved ones were supposed to be in danger and, happily for them, the means of traveling between the southern metropolises and San Francisco was placed at their disposal in the shape of a special train which was chartered by Gen. M. H. Sherman of Los Angeles who is connected with the electric railway system which surrounds that city.

MEMBERS OF THE PARTY. In the party were: General M. H. Sherman, Robert P. Sherman, his son, Justices of the Supreme Court M. C. Sloss, Angelotti, Henshaw, McFarland and wife; Shaw, Lorigan and Chief Justice Beatty; J. M. Meredith, Clerk of the Superior Court, Attorney Gen-

eral Webb, H. K. Gregory, J. B. Treadwell, J. F. Peck, Charles G. Boynton, A. E. Bolton, Colonel W. D. Sanborn; S. A. Bishop, S. Crosby, J. S. Hicks. CORRESPONDENTS. The daily papers of Los Angeles were represented in the run as follows: Times, by correspondent Havermale; Examiner, Correspondent Van Loan; Record, Correspondent Lewis, and Express, Correspondent Corey. The train left Los Angeles yesterday morning at 11:15 o'clock. It stopped for a short time at Sixteenth street depot in this city and then sped to the broad-gauge mole where a special boat conveyed the distinguished party to San Francisco. HOMES DESTROYED. Some of the gentlemen had relatives and members of their families stopping at the leading hotels and others had homes in various parts of the city, but not a hotel or home was to be found. All of them had been obliterated. The effect of this discovery was sorrowful in every instance, because nobody could be satisfied that the death of relatives and friends had not accompanied the destruction of the several abiding places. The newspaper correspondents returned to this city and will make Oakland their base of operations.

NEWSPAPERS' HOMES GO UP IN FLAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The Examiner and Call Buildings gave the inferno of flame that swept up from the district south of Market street a stubborn fight and prevented the fire from sweeping up Kearny street. The two buildings burned slowly, and held out for hours, only to be finally gutted. When the Winchester Hotel crumbled into ruins at 11 o'clock the cafe in the top of the twenty-story Call building began spouting fire. At that time Market street as far as Seventh street was burning as a single block from the Bohemian Cafe. As the fire burned out in the top

stories of the Call, it descended and turned the building into a fountain of flame. At 12 o'clock the annex of the Hearst building took fire and a half an hour later the rear wall fell. Shortly afterwards the fire appeared through the frieze on the seventh floor, where the editorial rooms were located, but it was 3 o'clock before the windows of the lower floors began to belch flames. The fire burned out gradually and the building remained standing, completely gutted. At 4 o'clock the ground floor of the Call building began to burn again with redoubled fury, but the building stood amid the surrounding ruins, a denuded frame of blackened stone.

NO DAMAGE TO LICK OBSERVATORY

From the Associated Press from R. H. Tucker in charge of the Lick Observatory: "No damage was done to the instruments or the buildings of the Observatory by the earthquake.

"The original heavy shock was followed at intervals of two and three hours by very light shocks. The tremor of the earth could be detected by observations with the meridian circle for a period of six hours."

HOLD A CONFERENCE WITH GOVERNOR

Governor George C. Pardee was so interested in the situation growing out of the destruction of San Francisco that he came from the Capitol last night about midnight and held a conference with Mayor Mott, Judge H. A. Melvin, Bank Commissioner Dunsmore, J. Cal Ewing, secretary of the State Board of Bank Commissioners; Lieutenant J. Alexander of the Adjutant-General's office, and Richard Belcher of his own staff. The Governor will remain here a few

days until he can secure communication with other stricken parts of the State, which cannot be effected elsewhere at this time. It is a fact which prevents him from assuming charge of the situation in San Francisco himself. He will however be represented there by Lieutenant Alexander. The Governor wired after the meeting to various parts of the State, formally declaring today a legal holiday throughout California.

OFFICER KILLED IN DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Lieutenant Charles C. Pulis, commanding the Twenty-fourth Company of Light Artillery, was blown up by a charge of dynamite at Sixth and Jessie streets shortly before noon, and was fatally injured. He was taken to the Military Hospital at the Presidio. He had a fractured skull and several bones broken, and internal injuries. He will not recover. Lieutenant Pulis placed a heavy charge of dynamite in a building on Sixth street. The fuse was imperfect and did not ignite the charge as soon as was expected. Pulis went into the building to relight it and the charge exploded while he was in the building. The injured officer is a graduate of the Artillery School at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. He is thirty years of age, single, and a native of Chicago.

BLOW BUILDINGS UP TO CHECK FLAMES

The dynamiting of buildings in the track of the fire, to stay the progress of the flames, was in charge of John Birmingham, Jr., superintendent of the California Powder Works. Several experienced men from the powder works, assisted by policemen and members of the fire department, did the hazardous work of blowing up the buildings. They were razed in sets of threes, but the open spaces where the shattered buildings fell were quickly turned into holocausts of flame. The work was most effective in the business blocks east of Kearny street.

ALAMEDA MAN IS A HEAVY LOSER

William J. Gorham, Mayor of Alameda and president of the Gorham Rubber Company, suffered the loss of his entire plant and stock. The former was valued at \$200,000, and the latter at half as much more. The company was housed in a substantial and handsome building on Mission street, near Fremont, which was completely destroyed. There was practically no insurance on the stock, though the machinery and apparatus were protected to a reasonable extent. The destruction of the establishment throws fifty-two men out of employment, but Mr. Gorham announced yesterday that he would resume business somewhere "as soon as the ashes got cold."

PEOPLE SLEEPING IN CITY PLAZA

Last night at least 500 people slept or sought rest in the City Hall Park. They were all refugees from San Francisco. They had come at various hours during the day and some of them did not find even that place of rest until an early hour this morning. Most of them had blankets and a few had a little bedding. Many of the men, however, had only coats to cover them when they lay down to sleep. It was a chilly night and none of the refugees had too much covering. As a consequence their rest was neither comfortable nor refreshing. This morning, when they arose from their dew-laden couches, there was none who did not have tales of sorrow, horror and bereavement to recount. Husbands did not know where their wives were, mothers had lost all trace of their children, and the thought of the bereavement many of them sustained caused bitter tears to flow. Some of these sufferers wore good clothes and evidently had ready money. It was also apparent that not a few of them were scantily supplied with means and will soon become charges upon the charity of the people.

STARVING TO DEATH

JUDGE CURTIS LINDLEY AND HIS FAMILY, WHO ARRIVED FROM THE CITY EARLY THIS MORNING, STATED THAT AT A LATE HOUR LAST NIGHT THE CITY'S SUPPLY OF FOOD WAS EXHAUSTED, AND SUFFERING STARED THE PEOPLE IN THE FACE.

FOR A TIME SOME PEOPLE WERE ASKING TWENTY-FIVE CENTS A LOAF FOR BREAD, BUT AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THIS WAS STOPPED, AS MARTIAL LAW PREVENTS SUCH ACTIONS. IT IS PRESUMED THAT A CALL WILL SOON BE MADE FOR SUPPLIES FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES, THOUGH MANY OF THE INHABITANTS WILL, OF COURSE, BE CARED FOR IN OAKLAND OR ELSEWHERE.

REFRIGERATOR CARS ARE RAIDED BY GANG

At the water front in San Francisco were many interesting scenes. Armour and Company had a large number of refrigerator cars full of provisions of various sorts, standing on the tracks at the wharves.

When it became evident that these could not be saved, a flock of "wharf rats" and hoodlums were permitted to go in and take everything they wanted. A wild scramble ensued, the men and boys fighting desperately for the chickens, meats, fruit and other articles with which the cars were loaded.

Some would grab a string of chickens and then realizing that they might have taken more, hurry back to grasp one or two others.

It was but a few minutes until the entire string of cars was cleaned out and not a vestige of edibles remained.

WATER IS WASTED

H. Krieg, 428 Waller street, said: "At 7:30 this morning the fire was within a block of the Hopkins Art Institute, and every effort was being made to save that. The Fairmount Hotel is across the street. At the corner of Devisadero and Fell streets I saw a broken water main pouring forth water in waves."

HOTEL IS WRECKED

SEBASTOPOL, April 19.—The Knowles Hotel here is a wreck. The building did not go down completely but is so damaged that it will have to be torn down.

PETALUMA IS SAFE

PETALUMA, April 19.—This town is in splendid condition. Very little damage was done by the earthquake. The people are quiet and thankful that they escaped so nicely.

CHILDREN ARE SAFE

GLEN ELLEN, April 19.—The Home for Feeble Minds here was terribly damaged by the earthquake. The building cracked and torn but did not come down. None of the inmates were injured but they were terribly frightened.

FEAR TO GO TO BED

The people of East Oakland spent last night sitting up on porch steps and sleeping in front yards and public parks. Some were fortunate to have tents.

FIRE ALL AROUND

E. D. Crowley, assistant engineer for the Western Pacific, said: "At 7:30 the fire had got to F well and Clay streets and was going toward the beach. At 8 a. m. the fire was all around the Fairmount Hotel, but it is situated such a distance from other buildings that I do not think it will be caught."

OPERA COMPANY HAS TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE

Director Franko, head of a big opera company which has been appearing in San Francisco, with two companions, came to Oakland last night after hours spent in an attempt to get here. They secured some food at the Maison Piedmont, which was kept open all night by the proprietor, Paul Schlotzhauer, who served coffee and what food there was on hand to the almost starving people.

Mr. Franko went back early this morning to get the balance of the 150 members in the company, who had fled to Golden Gate Park during the night. One of these men is from Germany and came to this country especially to speak for Mr. and Mrs. H. Menge, who are connected with this restaurant, and accidentally met them in their hour of extremity.

Mr. Franko said that in his room on the top floor of the Palace Hotel, the piano spun around like a top, the rest of the furniture also being sent whirling through space.

Mr. and Mrs. Menges lost \$10,900 in the destruction of their store occupied by the Pacific Truss Company, at 321 Twentieth street, besides \$600 advance rent they had paid on the building.

Austin says:

Buy Factory Sites

SAN FRANCISCO WILL RISE AGAIN

FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS OAKLAND WILL BE A SCENE OF UNEXAMPLED ACTIVITY!

Adversity is the touchstone of strong natures. Strength of mind, resolution and tenacity of purpose are fed and stimulated to the highest endeavor under stress of calamity, which overwhelms and paralyzes weak character, and hence the greatest disasters which have befallen mankind mark the finest examples of heroism and self sacrifice recorded in human annals. It is only under the hammer that true metal shines brightest and develops its enduring qualities.

An unspeakable calamity has befallen the fairest and most prosperous section of California, but faith and hope and courage, the immortal part of man—the spring source and impulse of all human civilization—remain, and they will rise to the occasion. The steel is under the hammer, and in the forge of adversity will fashion fairer cities, a higher development, a broader humanity and a more enduring fabric.

Today San Francisco, one of the most opulent, prosperous and luxurious cities on the globe, is practically a ruin—a waste of broken brick and mortar and smoking embers, but she will speedily rise from the ashes of desolation. Every page in the history of mankind prophesies this. San Francisco is a frightful wreck, but her calamity is not one-quarter so terrible or so overwhelming as the one that visited Galveston, a city hardly one-tenth her size. In a single night the Texas city was engulfed by the raging sea, one-sixth of her inhabitants drowned or killed, and her buildings and streets transformed into a wilderness of broken wreckage. It seemed for a time that the very site of the city would be swept into the maw of the raging waters. Practically nothing was left but the souls, hearts, hands and heads of the survivors.

Yet Galveston is a larger, finer and more prosperous city than she was six years ago when she went down under the waves in tempest and darkness. Her people have rebuilt their temples, homes and counting houses; they have fenced out the sea; reconstructed their edifices to meet future exigency, which may never come again, but which visited them once as unheralded as the breath of the destroying angel which left the hosts of Sennacherib stark and cold on the plains of Palestine.

What Galveston did San Francisco can do. And will do. Nature made the shores of San Francisco bay the site of a great metropolis. It only needed population, agriculture, commerce, manufactures and transportation agencies to bring the fruits of the land to the feet of the ocean to cause a mighty city to grow up. The commerce, the agriculture, the population, the transportation agencies remain. The elements have only destroyed the handiworks of man, and only a comparatively small portion of them. The foundations of the city's greatness—its noble harbor and its peerless bay—are still there. The sea still beckons to the winged carriers of commerce, the fruits of the land still await shipment, the bay of San Francisco is still the gateway to the Pacific. And when man has once builded he can rebuild better than before. In the beginning he had to create a civilization and then build a city to accommodate it, now he has only to rebuild to accommodate what he has hitherto created and which exists in undiminished splendor.

It is well to remember that probably less than two per cent of the actual ruin in San Francisco was wrought by the earthquake. The elemental disaster was comparatively slight. Fire was the real agent of destruction, and Chicago, Boston and Baltimore have all in their time withered under flames, but have sprung from their ashes more beautiful, richer, prouder and more prosperous than when smitten by calamity.

It is true the fires which lighted San Francisco's pathway to destruction were a consequence of the earthquake which shook down the frail structures and disarranged the multitude of wires freighted with electricity, but had the wires been underground and their use properly safeguarded, and the scientific rules of stable and enduring architecture been observed, there would have been little damage from seismic disturbance and no appalling conflagration would have resulted. Carelessness and haste in construction, lack of proper precautions, and long immunity from disaster are therefore mainly responsible for the besom of destruction which swept over the city. Man is himself to blame for the affliction which has visited him, and has taught the people of San Francisco an unforgettable lesson in the stern school of experience. When they have cleared away the ash from their ruined hearths and buried their dead, they will rebuild their homes on firmer foundations and of more stable material, forbidding the erection of structures which fall in ruins when shaken, and are but tinder for flames.

Oakland should put her house in order for business and company. San Francisco is going to be rebuilt with a rapidity unparalleled in history. Fully one-half her inhabitants are homeless; they must find shelter, and they must have a base of operations and workshops to meet requirements. All are here on this side the bay. Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda have suffered no material damage. Our shops and transportation agencies are unimpaired and ready for immediate use. Thousands are bound to seek temporary homes here, and much business hitherto transacted in San Francisco must be transacted for a time at least on this side the bay. Commerce must be fed while San Francisco is being rebuilt, through the nearest and most convenient channel and the nearest and most convenient channel is Oakland. Our citizens should therefore prepare themselves for a vast influx of visitors and a period of unexampled activity. And it can be truthfully stated in no spirit of jubilation over the misfortunes of our sister city, that much of the business and manufacturing which will come to us in this extremity will abide with us permanently and thus be of enormous ultimate benefit to this city.

In the meantime, San Francisco is only wrecked, not ruined, and her future is as brilliant and as sure as ever was. Her rise will be even a greater marvel than her calamity.

SHERIFF CLOSES ALL THE COUNTY SALOONS

District Attorney Allen has instructed Sheriff Barnett to order all the saloons in the region surrounding Oakland to close for the time being. This applies to Alameda, Berkeley, Fruitvale, Emeryville, Elmhurst, San Leandro and Hayward. This step is deemed necessary to prevent intoxication and demoralization.

USE JUST AS LITTLE WATER AS POSSIBLE

The management of the Contra Costa Water Company makes the request that the public use just as little water as possible in the irrigation of lawns and the sprinkling of streets, until further notice.

WOODEN BUILDINGS BURN LIKE TINDER

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The progress of the flames in the inflammable wooden residence and shop districts south of Market street and westerly from the machine shop section was terrific in its rapidity. Persons who landed at the Ferry building early during the forenoon were told that by going up Folsom street as far as Third, or a little farther

Market street in safety. But as they progressed the flames kept pace with them, or broke out in advance, and no safe approach to Market street was found east of Thirteenth street. At the same time the flames had swept so far south that Bryant street was the most northerly street which could be traversed with any

THOUSANDS OF BUILDINGS LICKED UP BY GREAT TONGUE OF FIRE

Helpless to Stem Tide of Destruction, Brave Workmen Are Forced to Flee From Tottering Ruins.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—If the fire that has been raging in this city since the heavy earthquake of yesterday morning continues, with its awful devastation, it is probable that scarcely a building will be left standing in the main portion of the city when the fire has run its course. Box after box of dynamite was ineffectually used to stay the ravages of the flames, but block after block of buildings were licked up by the great tongues of fire. Helpless to stem the conflagration on account of the lack of water, the firemen directed their attention to aiding the thousands of families that were rendered homeless.

WEIRD SPECTACLE.
The main thoroughfares to the park presented weird and sorrowful spectacles, as the heads of households, hurriedly driven from their residences, with trunks and handfuls of belongings, wended their way to Golden Gate Park and the Pacific Ocean beach.

Until shortly after midnight the members of the Engineering Corps of the United States believed that they would be able to check the fire by the vigorous use of dynamite, which was used to raze building after building. While the wind was blowing from the northeast, it was not strong enough to carry the fire an

extraordinary long distance. But during the early morning hours a great gale sprang up, which led the fury of the flames.

NARROW ESCAPES.
Soldiers, police and firemen ran blocks ahead to warn people of their peril. No sooner were private residences and apartment and bing-houses vacated than they were med down before the oncoming conflagration. In many instances narrow escapes were reported of persons who rushed back into buildings in an attempt to secure additional belongings. Before they could leave the structures they often found themselves surrounded with fire.

MANY BURNED.
In the fire that swept the city at an early hour this morning many of the most magnificent costly structures, which it was hoped would withstand the withering heat, were completely destroyed. Among these were the Merchants' Exchange Hotel, St. Francis and the San Francisco Chronicle buildings. At noon only a portion of the

Mark Hopkins Institute of Art had been partially destroyed by fire, and it is more than probable that the entire structure is doomed to complete destruction. The property was presented several years ago to the University of California and is filled with costly works of art.

FAIRMONT HOTEL.
Flames surround the Fairmont Hotel now under construction, and it is probable that it too will go up in smoke.

While yesterday the fire devastated the water front and almost the entire area south of Market street, the principal business thoroughfare of the city, it remained for this morning's continuation of the fire to complete the work of the holocaust. Within a few hours an area ten blocks in length and several blocks in width had been entirely wiped away.

Yesterday it was thought that the new Hall of Justice would escape destruction, but this morning it went up like tinder, barely giving the jailers time in which to remove the prisoners contained in the building to the old Broadway Jail and the House of Correction.

SLEEP IN TENTS.
Great numbers of people who gathered in the public squares and plazas with the intention of sleeping in hastily improvised tents or on blanket-covered lawns had their rest rudely disturbed

LAKE CHABOT DAM IS ENTIRELY UNINJURED

A critical examination of the Lake Chabot and Temescal dams shows that neither suffered the slightest injury from the earthquake neither one cracked or sprang a leak, which proves that Oakland is equal to all emergencies. In view of the circumstances, however, the Contra Costa Company is doing all in its power to conserve the supply and prevent waste.

ONLY TEN PEOPLE ARE KILLED IN SAN JOSE

SAN JOSE, April 18.—The latest reports here today show that ten people were killed in the earthquake. The Hall of Records is wrecked as well as the Hall of Justice.

All the main buildings are badly damaged.

PRESIDENT HARRIMAN AIDS THE REFUGEES

President Harriman has wired the Southern Pacific officials to place all the company's ferryboats at the disposition of the San Francisco municipal authorities to enable them to send out of the city all persons who desire to leave.

When fire reached the surrounding buildings, the strong wind threw fire brands to such an extent that the areas were rendered miniature infernos, driving the weary citizens to new shelters. Hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of household goods were destroyed in the streets, where bundles were abandoned by people too exhausted to carry them further. High premiums were placed on automobiles, wagons and all other vehicles which were pressed into service for conveying household effects to secure places. Even when goods were taken to what was believed to be safe districts, they were quickly destroyed unless taken to Golden Gate Park or the