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PEOPLE SHOT DOWN BY SOLDIERS IN STREETS OF SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19---It is estimated that at least 20 people have been shot here for stealing from unprotected stores and families and for insulting women. The city is under martial law and the soldiers do not hesitate, but shoot down anyone seen in the act of thieving.

PEOPLE BURNED ALIVE! ST. FRANCIS HOTEL DESTROYED

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 19.—AT THIS WRITING THERE SEEMS TO BE PRACTICALLY NO HOPE OF SAVING ANY OF THE CITY. THOSE WHO WERE MOST SANGUINE OF THE ULTIMATE SUCCESS OF THE FIREMEN IN CONTROLLING THE FLAMES HAVE NOW GIVEN UP HOPE AND ARE FLEEING FROM THEIR HOMES IN DESPAIR. MANY PEOPLE ARE BEING BURNED ALIVE, IMPRISONED IN THE DOOMED BUILDINGS WHERE THE RESCUERS COULD NOT REACH THEM. AT THE PRESENT TIME THE LAST BIG STRUCTURE TO BURST INTO FLAMES WAS GRACE CHURCH, AT THE CORNER OF STOCKTON AND CALIFORNIA STREETS. THE ENTIRE DISTRICT FROM BROADWAY TO CHANNEL STREET AND FROM THE WATER FRONT TO OCTAVIA AND GOLDEN GATE AVENUE WAS A MASS OF FLAMES. THE ST. FRANCIS, WHICH HITHERTO ESCAPED THE BREATH OF THE GREAT FURNACE, WAS ONE OF THE LAST BIG BUILDINGS TO TAKE FIRE. IT IS LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF GEARY AND POWELL STREETS, BUT HAD BEEN MISSED IN THE IMMENSE PATH OF DESTRUCTION, AS THE FIRE DID NOT CROSS MARKET STREET AT O'FARRELL AND EDDY STREET UNTIL LONG AFTER SURROUNDING SECTIONS HAD BEEN CONSUMED. THE FLAMES SEEM ENTIRELY BEYOND CONTROL OF THE FIRE FIGHTERS, AND TO BE POSSESSED OF DEMONICAL FURY, LEAPING EVERYWHERE, JUMPING THE WIDEST CHASMS AND BURSTING OUT IN WILD RAGE IN PLACES THOUGHT BEYOND DANGER. THE WORKERS HAVE DESTROYED BLOCK AFTER BLOCK OF RESIDENCES WITH DYNAMITE IN THE HOPE OF HEMMING IN THE FLAMES, BUT AFTER EACH SUCH EFFORT THE TERRIFIC BLLAZE WOULD LEAP ACROSS A SEEMINGLY IMPASSABLE GULF AND IN A TRIUMPHANT GLARE, DEFEAT ITS OPPONENTS.

GOVERNOR PARDEE CONDOLES CITY

Governor Pardee mourns the loss which the State has sustained as a consequence of the recent shock of earthquake. He is especially mindful of Oakland and in reply to the telegram of Mayor Mott referring to the situation here, sent the following self-explanatory telegram which was received here last night:

"Executive department, Sacramento, Cal., April 18, 1906.—Hon. Frank K. Mott, Mayor of Oakland, Calif.—The people of Oakland have my profound sympathy in their misfortune and my earnest desire to aid them in their emergency."

"Please inform me in what manner the State Government can help."

"Tell the citizens of my home town that I condole with them and that their loss and suffering are a keen affliction to me."

"GEORGE C. PARDEE,"

"Governor."

TO AID SUFFERERS

TO THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE: The Salvation Army will help distressed people with clothing. Staff Captain William I. Day, superintendent of the Salvation Army Relief Department in Oakland, will render all the assistance possible to those in distress as a result of the earthquake, who are in need of clothing, as far as the supply will allow. The clothing will be supplied free where necessary if applicants will apply at the depot, 420 Third Street in the forenoon. The army wagon will call in any part of Oakland or vicinity for bundles of clothing, etc., if parties will telephone Oakland 3465, or send a postal to 420 Third Street, Oakland.

OFFERED A HOME

To aid the relief of some unfortunate family who may have two little girls, Mrs. N. C. Milan 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.

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.

TODAY IS DECLARED A LEGAL HOLIDAY

Governor Pardee last night issued a proclamation declaring today, Thursday, a legal holiday, and that all business be suspended throughout the State. This followed a conference held by the Governor with Mayor Mott, Lieutenant J. Anderson, of the Adjutant General's staff, and Judge Menry A. Melvin at the mayor's office. Governor Pardee said he had sent Lieutenant Anderson to San Francisco to investigate conditions. The Governor came to Oakland as quickly as possible in order to be in touch at the nearest possible point with which he could keep in communication with San Francisco.

GOVERNOR PARDEE TO THE PEOPLE

GOVERNOR PARDEE HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS REGARDING THE PRESENT CATASTROPHE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OF THE COUNTRY:

"THE APPALLING CALAMITY WHICH HAS BEFALLEN THE METROPOLIS OF THE STATE AND ITS NEIGHBORING CITIES LEAVES ONE WITHOUT WORDS TO EXPRESS ONE'S FEELINGS. NO ONE YET FULLY GRASPS WHAT HAS HAPPENED, ALTHOUGH IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT THE STORIES CONCERNING THE LOSS OF LIFE ARE GREATLY EXAGGERATED. THE LOSS OF PROPERTY FROM THE EARTHQUAKE, OF COURSE, THOUGH SMALL IN COMPARISON WITH THAT RESULTING FROM THE FOLLOWING CONFLAGRATION, WOULD HAVE BEEN SERIOUS ENOUGH TO HAVE AROUSED THE ATTENTION OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

"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.

"SAN FRANCISCO, THOUGH HARD HIT, IS NOT BY ANY MEANS DESTROYED. HER COURAGEOUS PEOPLE WILL SOON RECOVER FROM THEIR DISMAY, AND THE CITY BY THE GOLDEN GATE WILL ARISE AGAIN A NEW CITY, ONE THAT WE SHALL BE EVEN PROUDER OF THAN OF THE OLD ONE. WHILE WE ARE, FOR THE MOMENT, DAUNTED DESPAIR IS FAR FROM OUR THOUGHTS.

"GEORGE C. PARDEE, GOVERNOR."

REFUGEES ARE NOW IN GREAT DANGER

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—Refugees of San Francisco are fleeing to the hills for refuge, terror depicted in every line of their countenances. This morning the earliest boats were crowded with fleeing people, anxious to get anywhere for safety. The entire city is terror stricken and no one of the flying ones seems to have any idea except to get away.

NEWSPAPERS' HOMES GO UP IN FLAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The Examiner and Call Buildings have the inferno of flame that swept from the district south of Market Street a stubborn fight and prevented a 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

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.

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.

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.

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.

SAN FRANCISCO'S NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING IS DESTROYED

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.

Early this morning Governor Pardee received the following message from President Roosevelt: "It was difficult to credit the news of the calamity that had befallen San Francisco. I feel the greatest concern for you and the people, not only of San Francisco, but of California in the terrible disaster. You will let me know if there is anything that the government can do. "THEODORE ROOSEVELT." Governor Pardee also received telegrams of sympathy and offering help from the governors of Louisiana, Washington and Oregon. The following message was sent by Governor Pardee to Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco: "Am appalled and overwhelmed by the great calamity to San Francisco, only meager details of which have reached me. I extend sympathy and assurance of my earnest desire to help those in distress in any manner in which I am able. "GEORGE C. PARDEE."

MESSAGE COMES TO PARDEE FROM ROOSEVELT

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.

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 metropolis and San Francisco was placed at their disposal in the shape of General 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 C. Boynton, A. E. Bolton, Colonel W. D. Sanborn; S. A. Bishop, S. Crosby, F. A. Hicks.

CORRESPONDENTS. The daily papers of Los Angeles were represented in the run as follows: Times, by correspondent Havermale; Examiner, Correspondent Van Lou; Record, Correspondent Lewis, and Express, Correspondent Corey.

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 as their base of operations.

SAN FRANCISCO'S NEW POSTOFFICE IS 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 BURNED 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.

CHINA TOWN IN ASHES

SAN FRANCISCO'S HORDE OF CHINESE IS FLEEING IN TERROR FROM THE STRICKEN CITY AND CHINATOWN THERE, WHICH HAS SEEN MANY KILLED DURING THE PRESENT CALAMITY, IS NOW DESERTED AND BURNED.

THESE CHINESE ARE COMING TO OAKLAND IN VAST THROGS, AND THE LOCAL CHINATOWN IS BEING FLOODED WITH THEIR NUMBERS. THAT SECTION WILL PROBABLY BE OVERRUN WITH THE MONGOLIANS BEFORE NIGHT.

WRECKAGE AT SAN JOSE

H. F. Moullin, of near San Jose, and an automobile party, arrived at 4 p. m., Wednesday, having left San Jose about 1 p. m. Mr. Moullin said to a TRIBUNE reporter that the effects of the temblor were far worse in San Jose than in Oakland. "I was in San Jose twenty minutes after the shock, and there was but one street through which I could get my automobile into town, that was Market street; and along that the buildings were so badly wrecked that you could look into them and see the beds standing there. Not only that but we had another sharp shock at 12:30. It is perfectly true to say that the town is down flat. The City Hall is a practical wreck. The Vendome annex is flat. Bowman's big square house near the Vendome is completely wrecked. My house, a low bungalow, was torn all to pieces, and my 8000 gallon water tank on tank house, filled with water, was thrown one hundred feet. A two-story house near me is down. The new county building is completely ruined, and the old ones wrecked, the Hall of Records is down flat. We could tell that the temblor was worse there by the water tanks. We came the Mt. Eden road, and up to Mt. Eden they were nearly all thrown down.

ALAMEDA SETTLING DOWN TO BUSINESS

Damage in the Encinal City Said to be About \$175,000

ALAMEDA, April 19.—The terrible earthquake yesterday caused much damage here, but fortunately no lives were lost and no fires of any moment occurred. Until toward evening the city was without water, so that a blaze would have proved disastrous. Alameda was very fortunate in having no interruption in its electric light service. The water was turned on last night and residents rested somewhat easier, although many, fearing a recurrence of the temblors, slept out of doors.

Company G, N. G. C., of this city, under command of Captain Gillogly, was called to Oakland last night to assist in protecting property and preserving order.

There were numerous minor casualties and many narrow escapes in Alameda, where the total damage to property may foot \$175,000.

The Methodist block suffered much damage, and the Tucker block had the wall on the Santa Clara avenue side completely torn away.

Mrs. Dodge of 641 Central avenue was hit by a falling stove and rendered temporarily unconscious, Mrs. James Rafferty of Central avenue and Webster street was preparing her husband's early breakfast when the earthquake came. She was struck on the head by a falling chandelier and rendered unconscious for a time, although not seriously hurt.

At the Alameda mole the earth settled two feet. A large gang of men is making repairs, to be completed by tomorrow noon. Three tons of milk from Los Gatos, arrived at the mole, could not be sent across the bay and the consignment was spoiled.

Chief of Police John Conrad and his patrolmen are exercising special diligence for the protection of Alamedans in these troublous times.

WOULD NOT LEAVE

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 men 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.

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 helping 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 Mechanics' 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.

MAYOR'S APPEAL FOR BREAD FOR PEOPLE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The following appeal for aid has been sent out by Mayor Schmitz to Governor Pardee, and shows the destitute condition of the people and their dire need of food and shelter:

"Office of Chief of Police, San Francisco, Cal.
"GEORGE C. PARDEE, Governor of California—Send all supplies and tents possible to Golden Gate Park. Have bakeries in small towns bake all the bread they can. We want bedding, food and tents.
Yours truly,
"E. E. SCHMITZ, Mayor."

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 OF HOODLUMS

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.

SANTA ROSA A MASS OF FLAMES

SANTA ROSA, April 19.—This city is practically in ruins. The large buildings on Fourth street, after being shaken down, took fire. A terrible scene ensued. Every building of any consequence on Fourth street is a total wreck. The statement is made that several

people were killed. The Occidental, Santa Rosa and Piedmont hotels are burned. The Court House and the Hall of Records are wrecked. Many people are penniless as well as homeless.

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.

CHILDREN ARE SAFE

GLEN EILLEN, April 19.—The Home for Feeble Minded here was terribly damaged by the earthquake. The building is 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.

HORSES KILLED

The roof over Gates Stables at Thirteenth and Webster streets fell in. A number of horses were killed.

HOPKINS INSTITUTE OF ART BURNED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—Fanned by a strong wind, which came from the northeast, the residence section of San Francisco, that had been spared by the first conflagration following the first earthquake shocks, was swept at an nearly hour this morning by a livid sheet of flame which consumed whole blocks of dwellings at a time.

Included in the structures which were completely demolished in the sweeping sheet of fire were the St. Francis Hotel, the Merchants' Exchange and the First Congregational Church.

A portion of the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art of the University of California, which contains priceless art treasures, was destroyed in the early morning conflagration, and it is probable that the entire structure will be destroyed before the fire can be checked.

Although soldiers are blowing up buildings with dynamite it is not believed that the progress of the fire will be stopped.

Austin says:

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