

ITALIAN COLONY SHOCKED BY NEWS

Disaster in Southern Provinces
Brings Sorrow to Many
In This City.

STARTING RELIEF FUND.

Contributions to be Gathered Here to
Send to Stricken Cities—Cable
Communication Interrupted.

To Utah's Italian and Sicilian colonies the cable dispatches from their native land today bring tidings of sorrow and to the swarthy Latins the day is one that will be marked in their memories. It is rare that one of Italy's dusky sons comes to this country without leaving behind him a wife and a happy family of children, and a mother, a sister or a sweetheart. Today is one when all are uncertainly for them. They know not whether their loved ones in the far-away country are safe from harm or swept into the sea or, worse still, caught in the flames that have followed the earthquake. Many of them are strangers here. Many do not speak the language or know the ways of this country—and the plight of these is most pitiful.

Sitting at noon today in his little cobbler's shop in south Main street was Alfonso Bruni, a native of the town of Reggio. The last letter he had from his old home told him that a wife and four little children were happy and well—and today he does not know. A brother, Salvatore Bruni, is consoling him. The last letter he had from his old home told him that a wife and four little children were happy and well—and today he does not know. A brother, Salvatore Bruni, is consoling him. The last letter he had from his old home told him that a wife and four little children were happy and well—and today he does not know. A brother, Salvatore Bruni, is consoling him.

SO FAR FROM HIS HOME.

Bruni sat today over his last. He had been mending a little girl's shoe, but he had stopped short. Before him lay the morning papers. He had bought them all to learn more of the horror which had swept his country. He said he had read them over many times, and that every time he saw the name of the old home he could read no further. He had tried in vain to find a word in the dispatches that would tell him that his little wife and the sweet children were safe.

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"And it is the best of Italy. In United States we have the California. In Italy it is Calabria—where the sides are always blue. Everything a man wants grows there. It is warm and the days are all sweet. Maybe it too good to stay so long without trouble."

AN ARCADIA IN TRUTH.

Bruni pictured in his memory's eye of small fishing craft with happy-eyed women waiting at the shore each evening for the men with the nets to come home. Jolly tillers of the sea, singing as they worked among the yachts, among the fertile groves where olives grow and in the lowlands where the Messina lemons yield in great bounty to the Italian arborer. "It is the best of Italy until today," he repeated many times while he was telling of his younger days spent in Reggio. He told of many pleasure excursions he had taken across the channel to Messina, Scilla and Gela. It seemed to be a country where happiness is always present, where toll is rewarded with such bounty that it is never tall in the true sense of the word, a country where the living that is good abounds, an Arcadia truly.

"Well, I hope in two or three days you hear from your people and that they are all well," said the visitor in parting with Bruni.

"Thank you. Thank you." He said with just the suggestion of a smile that soon vanished when he added, "But it may not be. Maybe they were all late to escape. I hope I do hear, but maybe I never will know what terrible suffering they have had."

IN THE RAILROAD YARDS.

Down in the railroad yards at the noon hour there was a group of Italian laborers gathered around a little wood fire. Seated on an overturned wheel barrow was one of the number reading aloud from the morning papers the first news of the earthquake and disaster. As the names of the many towns affected by the shock were read, here and there in the crowd could be heard a sob, a cry, a moan, and here and there a curse. When the town of Cozenza was reached, a youth of not more than 17 years dropped to his knees and fell to the ground in a faint. He was not regarded by the group and he

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lay for some time before he was noticed. Cozenza was his home. He has people there, he is there, too, was the volunteered information imparted by an older member of the number. An old man, a very old man, was striding about in a mood that suggested madness. He was cursing Mount Bronte, which he blamed for all the disaster. He declared it was the habit of evil spirits. All his people were dead long ago, he said, but his grief was for his countrymen. The boy, the one who had fallen in a faint, he said, left all his people less than a month ago. He was his sweetheart, he had been confined to him.

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COLLECTING RELIEF FUND.

Many of the foreigners have already undertaken the collection of a relief fund to be sent to the stricken countrymen. This step was first assuming an organized condition at noon. One Italian stated that the fund would probably be collected by Italian and Sicilian business men in the city and placed in the hands of some trustworthy person, perhaps Castro, a well known Greek who speaks Italian and who is consulted by many of them as an advisory and business agent. Within a day or so this fund may reach quite a size and will be forwarded to the cities where it appears to be most needed.

The stricken district, all lying "at the toe of the boot," is said to be the most attractive and productive portion of Italy. It is really an agricultural region and most of its people are engaged in various classes of farming. Fishing is a big industry there and many of the men of the Calabria province are well represented among alien in this country. The greater number of Italian and Sicilian merchants of the city and state are from these towns and cities. The miners generally come from other parts of the kingdom.

It is seldom that a disaster in so remote a portion of the globe has such an effect upon so large a number of residents of this city and vicinity. There seems to be among the alien colonies not one person who does not feel in the disaster a personal bereavement. Added to their fears that someone dear to them has fallen a victim to the horror, is the fact that they are cut off from all communication with their country. Cable communication is interrupted and messages are accepted at the local offices at sender's risk.

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SERIOUS BLAZE AT CHESTERFIELD, IDAHO

(Special to the "News.")

Chester, Idaho, Dec. 28.—A fire broke out in White's store about 2 o'clock Sunday morning and before anyone arrived had burned through into the adjoining store owned by Byron Blanchard and completely destroyed both with their contents. The value of the stock of goods in Blanchard's store is estimated at about \$5,000. White's at about \$1,200. The potatoes were located in the Blanchard store, and was also burned. It is the opinion generally that the fire was of incendiary origin.

The hall belonging to James Watson burned down. Thanksgiving morning this has practically wiped out the town.

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ATT HELD FOR MURDER.

Preliminary Hearing of Slayer of Nielsen at Logan Monday.

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Logan, Dec. 29.—Before Justice Brangham Monday, John W. Att had his preliminary hearing for the shooting of Nielsen a few days ago. The same charges were read against him and he testified to practically the same particulars brought out at the inquest. The only new thing brought out was the statement that Nielsen prevented interference with the fight in the street which occurred before the shooting.

The justice reserved his decision until this morning, when he decided that Att should be held to answer to the charge of murder, and he was committed to the custody of the sheriff for safe keeping.

ATTEMPTED HOLDUP.

Masked Men Make Unsuccessful Raid On North Salt Lake Car.

Two masked and armed highwaymen made an attempt to hold-up a city-bound street car No. 318, North Salt Lake, when it was crossing at 11:30 last night, but were frustrated by the quickness and presence of mind of the conductor.

The car was in charge of Conductor A. E. Pugh and Motorman C. M. Bodell. Upon reaching the railroad crossing Pugh went ahead of the car to flag. As the car started he noticed two men running toward it. He thought they were passengers until he saw that they were masked and armed. It did not take him long to realize the purpose of the men and he made a dash for the rear platform of the car. As he did so one of the highwaymen struck a blow at Pugh but the latter escaped injury and running through the crowd he was able to get to the rear platform. The attempted robbery was immediately reported to the police and patrolmen searched the neighborhood but were unable to locate the men. Owing to the darkness Pugh was unable to get a good look at the men and therefore could not give the police an accurate description.

DEATH OF MRS. ANNIE HOGE.

Mrs. Anne E. Hoge died at the Provo mental hospital this morning of general paralysis. She was 72 years of age, will be brought to this city where the remains will be cared for by relatives. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

SERVICES APPRECIATED.

Elders G. M. Cannon and R. S. Horne
Recipients of a Testimonial.

At the Granite stake tabernacle last evening, a testimonial was tendered to Elders George M. Cannon and Richard S. Horne, who recently retired from the superintendency of the Sunday schools of Granite stake. After long years of service, both were released, to engage in other church activities. Elder Cannon as a member of the general board of all spirits. All his people were dead long ago, he said, but his grief was for his countrymen. The boy, the one who had fallen in a faint, he said, left all his people less than a month ago. He was his sweetheart, he had been confined to him.

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ELOPEMENT AT BINGHAM.

An Italian named Bigloto Mario is locked up in the county jail under the authority of a warrant charging him with rather a serious offense, all because he is said to have attempted to elope with the wife of James Rolando, all of Bingham. As the story is told, the eloping couple secured a team Sunday from a local livery stable and decamped to Bingham Junction, where they were later found by the officer and the irate husband, who mourned the loss of his wife and the \$25 in money, as well as his wife. A reconciliation was effected and the woman was taken home by her forgiving spouse, while the gay Mario languishes in solitude.

OFFICERS IN NO HURRY.

Texas Authorities Do Not Seem Anxious to Get Young McCormick.

Unless the Texas authorities hurry, E. L. McCormick, the young man who surrendered himself to Chief Barlow, will not have to complete his sentence of three years in the Texas prison for manslaughter.

The authorities at Huntsville, Texas, were notified that McCormick was in jail here, and were asked if they wanted him. The reply was that they did not want him, but they did not send an officer to take charge of the young man. Last night the police department received word that the Texas police would like the man sent to them. The message was sent back, stating that the cost would be \$250, and if the Texas officials would pay the expenses, a local officer would take McCormick to the state prison there.

As yet no reply to this message has been received. McCormick and Lieutenant Hempel stated this morning that if word was not received soon, McCormick would be released.

Last April, according to the young man's story, he got into a row with a man at Rusk, Tex., and killed him during the altercation. For the offense he was sentenced to three years in prison. He made his escape and wandered about the country. He became tired of being hounded, he said, and decided to give himself up and complete his sentence. He accordingly surrendered himself to the local police.

KNIFE USED IN A BRAWL.

Peter Ranck of Mill Creek Stabbed in Back and Hip.

There was an exciting stabbing affair on Commercial street last night about 9 o'clock, in which Peter Ranck, a young man residing at Mill Creek, received a stab in the back and one in the hip, and Ben Bingley, of the same place, received a long gash in the hand. Bingley used the knife and probably would have killed Ranck had he not appeared on the scene of Patrolman Tom Simpson.

Bingley was walking down the street with a companion, and Ranck was following them. Bingley turned around several times and told Ranck not to follow them. The latter persisted, and Bingley and Ranck came to blows and went to the sidewalk together. While fighting, Bingley drew a long blade pocket knife and plunged it into the back of Ranck and again in the hip. During the fight Bingley received a severe cut on the hand. Patrolman Simpson placed them both under arrest and took them to the emergency hospital, where Dr. Steele dressed their wounds. The cuts were painful, but will not prove serious. Bingley was locked up on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, and Ranck was released and permitted to go to his home.

AN M. D. ON KIDNEY DISEASE

Writing on kidney disease, the medical terms for which is Nephritis, Dr. J. W. Chismond says in the "MEDICAL BRIEF."

"In its incipency it is as curable as any malady that the system is heir to." IN ITS SEVEREST STAGE, HOWEVER, IT POSSESSES NO SPECIFIC FOR ITS RAVAGES.

Where does that leave the kidney medicines you have been taking? And just as we have said over and over, it doesn't make much difference what you call kidney trouble, if it fastens, physicians and druggists have had no successful treatment for it. True, it commonly gets well at first, but it does not, it enters the second stage that was incurable up to the discovery of Fulton's Renal Compound, which is the first thing known to reduce inflammation in kidney tissues.

When does the second stage commence? Dr. Chismond says: "IT DEVELOPS SO UNCONSCIOUSLY, IT IS AS A RULE FIRST ADVANCED BEFORE IT IS DISCOVERED."

In view of these acknowledged facts, people with kidney trouble should do some very serious thinking before taking futile kidney medicines under which the kidney deaths have risen to over 170 per cent. Even if the inflammation is in the first stage, a course of future medicine which develops the very condition that Dr. Chismond says is "irreparable," and that was irreparable up to the date of Fulton's beneficial discovery.

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As Murray car No. 353, one of the two big, 12-window cars, started south from the First South street curve, the front truck passed safely over the cross-over switch used by the northbound cars. But the switch tongue was loose and the seat partly filled with liquid mud, which made it easier than usual for the tongue to shift. The result was that the fat of the first trucks of the car shook it loose so that it shifted over half way, just enough to turn the rear trucks on to the cross-over. As the trolley flew off the wire, Conductor O. W. Richardson sharply rang the bell, and Motorman J. A. Johnson shut off the current and applied the brakes. But, the track was very slippery, the wheels slid, and crash went the car broadside into the nearest big pole in the center of the street.

There were seven adult and two children passengers in the car, but they were unhurt, and were assisted out safely. The damage to the car was three windows smashed and the roof of the car crushed in. To the pole was attached the light and power cable for the Independent Telephone building, which was strong enough to prevent the pole from breaking down the roof of the car, and stopping the car as well. The trucks of the car never left the tracks. Travel was blocked for 60 minutes, until the wrecking car could pull the damaged rolling stock out of the way, and the linemen straighten up the shattered pole.

DRUMMER IN TROUBLE.

Early this morning Patrolman Barker arrested a trading man by the name of G. O. Street, on the charge of battery upon May St. Clair. The latter claims that Street knocked her down during a row on the street, but the accused man denied the allegations. He said he had been drinking with the wo-

man and that she fell to the sidewalk and he fell with her, but did not strike her. He was booked for battery but released on his own recognizance. The St. Clair woman was arrested several months ago for drawing a revolver on a bartender at the Salt Palace and threatening to shoot him. The case was dropped and the woman escaped prosecution.

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TREAT FOR OLD FOLKS.

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Through the courtesy of Mr. A. M. Cox, local manager for Messrs. Pelton & Smutzer, proprietors of the Grand, a complimentary performance for the old folks of this city will be given during the week of Jan. 3. In a letter to Bishop C. W. Nibley, chairman of the Old Folks' committee, Mr. Cox places his house at the disposal of the committee for any date during the week indicated. The exact time has not been designated, but will be named in a few days.

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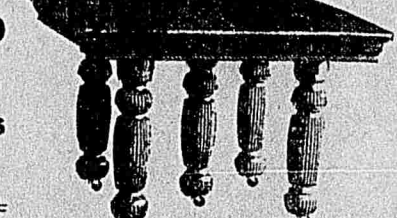
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