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LAND OF BEAUTY LAID WASTE

Many Who Survived Earthquake And Tidal Wave Are Dying of Hunger.

Messina Scene of Greatest Destruction And Loss of Life-Escaped Convicts Prowled Among Dead.

Naples, Dec. 30 .- Time only confirms the unspeakable horrors of the overpowering catastrophe of the earthquake. History perhaps never will divulge its supremest individual tragedies, for earth and sea ruthlessly claimed thousands of human beings, and the flames mercilessly completed the unfinished devastation.

Naples, vibrant with the memory of Vesuvius is prostrate anew at the mis-ery and wee from Messina confided to her care. The hotels and homes to her care. The hotels and homes are crowded with refugees, and the people are vieing with one another in aiding the stricken.

Those who have explicit knowledge on the subject agree that the center of the cataclysm was the Strait of Mes sina, which also is the center of a vol-canic zone, whose highest peak. Etna, is now silent. From this base the telluric disturbance extended, abating lit-tle by little northerly as far as Cape Vaticano and southerly as far as th Pay of Catania, ravaging the western region of Calabria and the eastern coast of Sicily for nearly 100 miles. It is impossible accurately to ascer-tain the movement cast and west in the island regions, but it is certain that the beauty of one of the most charming sections of southern Italy has been irrevocably despoil d. Vineyards are no more; waying lows of lemon, orange and olive trees have been torn up, and

the enchanting coastline, with its soft and fragrant foliage, has been con-verted into a hideous desert. Reggio. whose green aspect set off the severity of the mountains; and Palmi, perched jamitly amid orange and olive trees, have become mere blots on the horizon. ARRIVAL OF REFUGEES.

The German steamer Scraphin came into Naples early this morning with refugees. The condition of the in-d is pitiable. A few of them have their heads and limbs bandaged. but many have not yet received medical attention. The Seraphin had to come to Naples because all the hospitals in the principal towns of Sicily are over-flowing, while there are not enough doctors and nurses for the work in hand, and medical supplies, bandages and surgical instruments are lacking. is expected that by tomorrow night fully 50,000 injured persons will have made their way to this city, coming by merchantmen and warships. The municipality, realizing the difficulty of coping with such tremendous responsibillties, has addressed an appeal to the local population, asking the people of Naples to succor and give hospitality to the unfortunate Sicilians. Every means of transportation to move the



wounded from the harbor to the hospitals and infirmaries is being made use of, but still the conveyances are insufficient in number. Several buildings are being prepared to serve as provisional hospitals.

Shortly after the Seraphin docked a

gang plank was lowered and a few persons were allowed on board. The refugees were found sitting in isolated groups. They gave evidence of great mental depression, and were utterly exhausted. They seemed hardly conscious of their surroundings. Most of them were hled in thrall of their terirble ex-

One old man was carrying a little girl in his arms. The child was cov-ered with blood. "Is that your child?"

"No," he replied. "Yesterdey found her on the pavement in Messina. I picked her up and cared for her. No one claimed her, and I could not abandon her. I have had her in my arms

With this touching explanation the old man became oblivious to his ques-tioner and everything around him.

The Seraphin brought into this port records of numberless tragedies. Families separated; mothers meaning and crying for their children; husbands and wives lost to each other, or a sole and wives lost to each other, or a sole survivor wishing that he had not been spared. There was one girl on board the steamer, her clothing tattered and torn, who had saved a cantry bird. She was a music half singer, and had almost beautiful to the same to the same transfer. clung to her pet throughout the terrible scenes of devastation until the bird was the only happy thing on the vessel

STORIES ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE The stories told by these unfortunate refugees are almost unbelievable. soldier named Emilio de Castro relate that on Sunday, the day before the dis aster, he was taken sick and was sent to the military hospital. Early Monto the military hospital. Early Mon-day morning he was awakened by a great roaring sound. He felt himself falling, and thought he was in the grip of a nightmare. It seemed to him that he had awakened in hell, for the air was filled with terrifying strucks. He soon realized, however, what was bansoon realized, however, what was hap-pening. His bed struck the floor be-low and he was still on it. It paused moment, and was again precipitated a moment, and was again precipitate. He struck the next floor, but this gave way at once, and thus man and bed came down from the fifth floor of the hospital to the ground. The soldier was

A druggist named Pullo relates that at 3:25 Monday morning he was on a ferry boat in the port of Messina, going to Reggio. Suddenly a gale of wind arose, bringing a heavy sea with it. Then a great chasm seemed to open it. Then a great chasm seemed to open in the water, and the boat went down and struck the bottom. But the waters closed in again and the ferry boat floated safely on too of the succeeding wave. Most of the people on board, however, were swept off and drowned. The boat was badly wrecked, but it floated ashore. Pullo was still on board. After the first panic he landed and found Reggio like a city of the and found Reggio like a city of the dead. Nobody was moving in the streets, and the silence was broken only by the moans and shricks of the wounded.

Pulio and several companions tried to extricate some wounded from the wreckage, but this was almost impossi-ble because of the crumbling ruins. In one of the squares Pullo found a group of people all completely naked. The druggist estimated the death roll at Reggio at 40,000.

PEOPLE DYING OF HUNGER.

Another refugee declares that there are alive in Messina today not more than 10,000 people. Many of these are dying of hunger. The people still in dying of hunger. The people still in the city have broken open the restaurants and food supply shops and are feeding themselves as they may.

The Duke of Aosta left here this morning on a torpedoboat for Messina and Raggio

morning on a torpedosoct of Meaning and Reggio.

Thousands of Sicilians and Calabrians are in Naples today from the north seeking means of communication to the south by which to get news of friends and relatives.

The Russian cruiser Admiral Makator company in here today from Messina

roff came in here today from Messina with 400 injured on board and the steamer Therapic likewise has brought hundreds of refugees. Hundreds of Sicilians who have come over to the continent for Christmas invaded the plers to learn if their loved ones were among the people on board. Others are seeking vainly for a way to get down

WORK OF TIDAL WAVE. While the destruction of Messina and While the destruction of Messina and Regglo was due primarily to the earth-quake, the tidal wave caused enormous damage. In the narrow strait the water formed into a huge wave 30 feet high. It then drew back from the coast as if gaining strength for an on-slaught that would obliterate the land. So yident was the motion of the at-

So ylolent was the motion of the at-mosphere coincident with the tidal wave that several workmen engaged in digging a pit on the Calabrian side of the strait were carried bodily up into the air.

Suddenly stopping in its backward sweep the waters of the strait hurled themselves upon the two coasts. Inexorably they advanced, the piers. houses and gardens were swallowed up in the flood. Above some places on the

in the flood. Above some places of the coast of Sicily the waters swept over the earth for a distance of 10 miles. The ground for a great distance trembled under the shock of the impact. A naval officer, who witnessed this spectacle, says:

"It seems as if two mountains, one of water and the other of land, fell furiously, the one toward the other, and as if the land vomited human hab-

Nine thousand tents, each capable of housing six persons, and 20,000 pieces of blankets have been shipped from here to Sicily and Calabria.

The steamer Therapie is lying off Nanles, crowded with refugees from Messina—bereaved men, starying women and wearing obliden—all with itations into the sea.

weeping children-all the stamp of great fear upon their

One of the refugees, a man employed with a German cotton firm in the lost city, said:

"Messina is utterly destroyed. Noth survivors of the whole garrison. I was asleep when the first shock awoke me.
I lit my lamp, but all was quiet and I turned to sleep again. Suddenly fresh shocks occurred, violent and terrifying. I arose quickly, but the house was swaying and my door was jammed. was swaying and my door was jammed. I tore the sheets from my bed and made a rope and lowered myself from the window to the street. An Italian family of five persons escaped from the bouse by the ald of my rope.

"No sooner were we in the street than the house collapsed. I tried to got the the west of research but it was

than the house collapsed. I tried to assist in the work of rescue, but it was useless. The horror and confusion were indescribable. All day I wandered in the wrecked streets. No food could be secured. I had only a few nuts to eat. The head of my firm was lost and his brother had to go to the streets begging for bread for his wife and children. There was no organization in the work of rescue.

ESCAPED CONVICTS.

"The prison was destroyed and the randens killed, but most of the convicts escaped. They provided about the ruins, robbing and murdering. They cut off the fingers of the dead and

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wounded to get the rings. them were singing songs of liberty as they placed the knife... "A Russian vessel lying in the harbor

was thrown into the street by the tidal wave. Other vessels foundered. Rail-way lines were swallowed up. The square known as the Cae Campo Santo collapsed and sank. Only the summits of a few ruined buildings still emerged from the wreck. What remained of the population when I left was camping near the harbor.

According to other refugees, not a single hotel remained standing. A fissure 60 feet deep opened near church of Santa Maria and houses fell bodily into it.

The Therapie brought 30 German and 600 other fugitives. During the voyage to Naples several injured women died

and one child was born,

A physician named Condo, a native
of Messina, said he escaped by climbing over the fallen roofs. Houses van-ished with the suddenness of a dream, and daylight showed nearly two miles of ruins. Steamers put out to cross the straits for help after the first shock of the earthquake, but half way over they met vessels from the opposite coast which carried the news that Reg-

gio, too, had perished.

Some of the fugitives aboard the Therapie hastlly left the ship when she reached this port, in some cases abandoning their children. Ten more steamers with fugitives are expected to arirve here within the next day or two, and every effort is being made to prepare shelter for them.

Naples is the center of the relief organization, and all social functions

have been postponed.

CALABRIAN REFUGEES. The fugitives that have arrived here from Calabria are almost too unnerved to speak of their terrible experiences.

one states that an express train on the road from Reggio to Naples was brought to a stop by the shock when about 18 miles along the road in its journey. The passengers demanded that they be taken back to Reggio, vhere they found a scene of desolation While they were searching for friends fresh shocks occurred, and practically all the passengers were killed.

Admiral Mirabello, the minister of marine, left here tonight for Messina.

THIS IS WORTH READING.

Leo F. Ze'inski, of 68 Gibson street, Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone."
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HAINS CASE.

Mai. Hains Told of Change in His Brother, Capt. P. C. Hains, Jr.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Maj. John Hains, U. S. A., a brother of Thornton J. Hains, now on trial as a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., for the killing of William E. Annis, was the principal witness for the defense today.

In a voice that trembled with emotion Maj. Hains told the jury of the

in a voice that trembled with emo-tion Maj. Hains told the tury of the changes that he had noted in Capt. Hains' mental condition from a year ago to the time when the captain told of those happenings that led to the of those happenings that led to the separation from his wife. All through his testimony the tears fell from Maj.

ains' eyes. Maj. Hains said that Capt. Hains Maj. Hains said that Capt. It all displayed evidence of being irrational and that his mind constantly reverted to the things that had been told him concerning his wife's alleged conduct with Annis.

Mrs. Gen. Peter Hains, mother of

Mrs. Gen. Peter Hains, mother of the defendant, is reported to be quite ill in New York and it is said that she may not be called as a witness.

Mrs. William E. Annis, widow of the man killed by Capt. Hains, listened to the testimony given today and declared after adjournment that her faith in her husband was not shaken.

The Hains case was adjourned this afternoon until tomorrow on account of the illness of Mr. McIntyre, chief coun-

Dr. Austin Flint, the allenist,formed Justice Crane that Mr. Intyre was suffering from overwork, and that a short rest would probably prevent a breakdown later which would cause a longer adjournment. Mr. Mc-Intyre sas seized with dizziness while examining Maj. John Hains.

WOMAN KILLS A MAN THEN SHOOTS HERSELF Washington, N: C., Dec. 30.-John

Emerson Stone, aged 22, highly connected in Boston and New York, a graduate of Holy Cross college, Worcester, Mass., was shot and killed here carly today by May Woolard, who then shot herself twice and may die. The tragedy followed Stone's call the woman to say he was leaving the woman to say he was leaving her forever and going home. Stone has two brothers, Gilbert Stone of New York and Capt Stone, U. S. A., stationed in Luzon, Philippine Islands. The former is on his way here

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NIGHT RIDER TRIALS.

Wives Not Permitted to Testify in Husbands' Behalf.

Union City, Tenn. Dec. 30.—The question of whether a wife can testify for her husband was raised in the night rider trials today and decided adversely, but the wives of some of the offenders were permitted to testify to an alibi for other defendants.

As the evidence was introduced, it has As the evidence was introduced, it be-

came evident that half the Reelfoot Lake population spent the night of the murder, Oct. 19, with the other half. The state not only admits this; but

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will offer additional proof to substantlate it. But the state's theory varies from that of the defense. It contends that the various male heads of families, knowing that they were going out to kill Rankin and Taylor that night, took their wives to the houses of friends in order that the vomen might not be left order that the women might not be left

Mrs. Bob Hoffman, a witness for the defense, won considerable sympathy by ber evident dread of hurting her hus-band's case. She is a mere slip of a girl, was thinly clad and for a head-dress were only an old fascinator. When asked if she did not know that her father and brother were also in-dicted, her lips trembled and she said: "No, sir: all I know is that the soldiers came and took them to the barracles and have kept them ever since."

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UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE.

Esperanto and Volapuk Have Failed To Meet Essentials.

To Meet Essentials.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 30.—Speaking on the "Relation of Thought and Language," at the convention of the Modern Language Association of America today, Prof. Theodore W. Hunt of Princeton declared that the mechanical, artificial and purely conventional character of preferred universal tongues, such as Esperanto and Volapuk, prevent them from representing the essential interaction of thought and language.

and language. M. B. Larned, University of Penn-sylvania, was elected president of the association.

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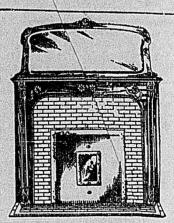
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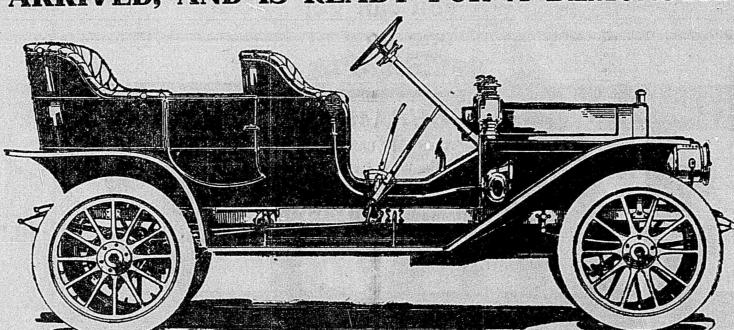
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