

Great Disaster At Frank, Canada

Earth Opens for Three-Fourths of a Mile—Top of Turtle Mountain Slides Off—Over a Hundred People Perish—Uncertain Whether Cause Was a Volcanic Eruption, an Earthquake or an Explosion in Coal Mines.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 29.—An official dispatch from the Canadian Pacific railroad to the Associated Press says: "The latest report from Frank, N. W. T., via McLeod, N. W. T., says: 'A volcanic eruption occurred at 4 a. m. today. The earth opened up for three-quarters of a mile in length and millions of tons of rock slid off the top of Turtle mountain, which overhangs the little town. The coal pit mouth and several buildings near there were buried. It is estimated that the loss of life is about 70 residents of the town, and in addition about 50 miners are entombed in the mine. The Canadian Pacific railway at once arranged for trains to convey doctors, nurses and hospital stores both from the east and the west of Frank.

The Crow's Nest branch railway is temporarily blocked, but the railway company, which has sent large gangs of men there, expects to get it cleared soon. Business to and from the Kootenai is still being handled by the branch, which is opened by way of the main line and Revelstoke, the old route in use before the Crow's Nest branch was built."

DETAILS OF DISASTER.

Vancouver, B. C., April 29.—Overwhelmed by countless tons of rock this morning shortly after 4 o'clock, and with probably 12 of its inhabitants killed almost instantly, the little mining town of Frank, in southwestern Alberta, is this evening threatened with complete destruction by flood. The Old Man's river, which flows through the center of the town is dammed up with fallen rock to the height of nearly 100 feet. The waters of the river are this evening dammed up for miles and the entire valley above the town is flooded. A big body of water is pressing with force upon the dam—the only protection the town of Frank now has—unless the river finds another channel, should the impromptu dam break, the entire village would be swept away. A dispatch from Frank says:

MOUNTAIN TOP TUMBLES.

A tremendously loud reverberating crash shook the whole valley of the Old Man's river this morning at 4:10 o'clock, and scarcely half the inhabitants of this town awakened to a realization of the impending danger when from the top of Turtle mountain, overlooking the settlement, there were hurled millions of tons of rock.

BURIED UNDER ROCK.

The Frank mines, operated by the Frank-Canadian Coal company, across the river from the town, were seen to be buried under hundreds of feet of rock just as the morning light was breaking. Inside of five minutes from the first tremendous shock and before the town realized what had happened a small force of men had started to the relief of the miners, despite the great risk they ran of being buried

under the rocks, which were still being precipitated from the lofty mountain top.

KILLED INSTANTLY.

The volunteer relief force was unable to get immediately to the mine, but managed to get near enough to determine that not a man was around the workings or underground had escaped death; many had been fearfully mangled. The disaster was merciful to those men who were employed above ground in that they must have been killed instantly, while those men in the workings of the mine may yet be alive if they have air to breathe. If all the air shafts to the mine were closed up under that awful avalanche, all the men must have died by this afternoon. The disaster was not confined to the vicinity of the mine alone, for many of the dwelling houses in the town of Frank were demolished by the falling rock. Some of the occupants of these houses escaped death, but many others were instantly killed.

THE LOSS OF LIFE.

It is conservatively estimated that the loss of life will exceed 100, and the latest returns place the number of dead at 115. At noon today it was impossible to arrive at any accurate estimate of the loss of life, as, owing to the excitement and the hurry and rush of people on the street, no person can say who is missing and who is not. There are no records available which will tell how many men were working in and about the mine at the time of the disaster. It is variously reported that there were from 35 to 50 miners underground. It is known that many women and children have suffered death, but just how many it is impossible to tell at present.

OPENING IN THE EARTH.

When reports concerning the magnitude of the disaster and details concerning it commenced to come from reliable men who had been out prospecting for news, it developed that the earth opened up for three-quarters of a mile in length and many feet in width, and that the water without place of Turtle mountain slipped from place of the millions of tons of rock in the valley, while only actually demolishing a comparatively few of the houses, so shook the foundations of the majority of the dwellings in the town that they are unsafe to live in and many hundreds of people will have to live in the open or under such temporary shelter as may be procurable before nightfall.

RAILROAD TRACKS DISAPPEAR.

The railroad track for a distance of two miles or more east of the station is covered with from 10 to 40 feet of rock, and the telegraph wires to the east are down. All communication is now being conducted over one line running westward and this one line is so blocked with private messages and inquiries from the outside that it is only

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STILL THROWING UP ROCK.

At dusk today rock is still being thrown from the top of Turtle mountain, and it is impossible to venture within half a mile of the mine workings. It is now nearly certain that 15 men are buried in the mine. All hope for them has been abandoned. The streets are crowded with the relatives and friends of those known to be entombed. The women are behaving in a most heroic manner.

CAUSE OF Eruption.

It is generally thought here that the disruption of Turtle mountain was brought about by a seismic disturbance, although there are people who claim that the origin of the upheaval was volcanic.

No lava has been seen, and aside from the smoke of the disintegrating rock, the atmosphere is perfectly clear. There is, however, no explanation for the continued upheaval of rock. The

eruptive influences seem to center right at the crown of Turtle mountain.

NO FLOOD LIKELY.

At 7:30 p. m. the latest information, coming from the town, is that there now seems to be less danger than was at first anticipated of an extension of the disaster. The threatened flood, coming direct from the British Columbia side, seems to have been checked. A large force of men has been at work trying to create a new channel that the dammed up waters of the Old Man's river may be run off. The men will work through the night, and it is hoped that the water will be running through the new channel before morning.

ESCAPE FROM MINE.

Most of the men imprisoned in the mine, whose death at first seemed certain, got out alive late this afternoon. There were 15 men in the mine. Two died from suffocation, but the other 13 were rescued. The rescuers found the bodies of the two men who had died, and the bodies of the other 11 were found in a pile of broken rock. The miners within, however, found an exit where there was no rock, and after cutting their way through 30 feet of debris, all but two emerged from the mine unharmed.

One of the imprisoned men who narrowly escaped death went home after emerging from the mine and found his house destroyed and his wife and six children dead.

There is now plenty of air in the mine and the inside workings are intact. At 7 o'clock tonight a special from Frank says that it is estimated the total number of dead is 95.

MINING MEN DISCUSS CAUSE.

Victoria, B. C., April 29.—Local officials and mining men knowing the vicinity are unanimous in the belief that instead of a volcanic eruption, the disaster at Frank will be found to have been caused by an explosion in the mines of the Frank-Canadian Coal company, which has a tunnel into the mountain after the manner of a metallic mine. It is believed here that an explosion has occurred, blowing out the face of the mountain, which has buried millions of tons of rock down on the mine buildings and tunnels, and dammed Old Man's river, on whose bank lies the town of Frank. If the eruption had been of a seismic nature it would have been recorded by the seismograph at Victoria. Bowles Machon of this city, who recently visited Frank, says the town, which is three years old, is named after Henry Frank, a well known British capitalist, who is operating extensively in coal mining there. In addition to this, a French syndicate, represented by Messrs. Fluted and Gibe, is operating in a gully about eight or 10 miles distant. Frank is well laid out, the coal company having recently erected some very convenient cottages for the miners. The population will hardly exceed 400. It lies on the Old Man's river, just at the mouth of the canyon, which leads into the Pincher creek mining country, 25 miles away.

He is of the opinion that the slide may have started from an explosion in the tunnels, which, driving outward, started the face of the mountain, which hangs at an angle of about 45 degrees, to the valley.

A private dispatch received here says that Jack McVeigh, a lumberman, and four men were buried with their saw-mill beneath the falling rock at Frank.

NAMES OF VICTIMS.

Portland, Ore., April 30.—A special to the Oregonian from Frank, N. W. T., gives the names of 24 victims of yesterday's disaster at the Frank mines as follows:
Alex. Leitch, a merchant, wife and four sons.
C. Ackroyd, a miner, and his wife.
A. Clark, laborer, wife and five children.
J. Siroto, driver.
Andrew Garesack, trapper.
G. Williams, miner, wife and three children.
Wm. Warrington, miner, wife and two children.
John Vandusen, carpenter, wife and two children.
B. Sumis.
F. Sumis.
F. Yeskild.
F. Warrington.
D. Foster.
A. Davies.
Thomas Lock.

M. Mardigan, (all miners.)
James Graham, laborer, and wife.
Robert Watt, laborer.
R. Rochette, laborer.
Thomas Delap, engineer.
A. Tashjian, weighman.
Joseph Brighton.
J. J. Scott.
Frank Vouchon.
John McVeigh.
J. Leonard, all employees of McVeigh, a railroad contractor.
The fatally injured are:
Mrs. John Watkins.
Lester Johnson, aged 14.

EDWARD AT THE VATICAN.

His Majesty Most Cereously Received by Pope Leo.
Rome, April 29.—King Edward visited Pope Leo at the Vatican this afternoon, being direct from the British embassy. When the door of the pope's apartment was opened the aged pontiff was revealed standing on the threshold, and his hand was extended, awaiting his guest. His holiness was dressed in robes of white and a red velvet cape bordered with ermine. Even King Edward paused a moment upon seeing the pontiff in his white garments. The pope's face was the color of ivory, but he moved without aid and with no apparent difficulty. From his entire person there seemed to emanate sentiments of benevolence and spirituality. The king and the head of the church clasped hands and exchanged a few words in French. King Edward passed within the papal apartment, the door was closed and the pope and his guest were left alone.

King Edward remained with the pontiff for 20 minutes. A bell was then rung and King Edward's suite was admitted and presented to the pope. This little ceremony seemed to please the aged monarch. At its conclusion King Edward took his leave, the pope craning his head and saying his last words at the door.

King Edward passed through the piazza of St. Peter, where he was warmly greeted in English by a number of Scotch pilgrims now in Rome, who shouted, "Hurrah for the king!" Had King Edward looked up at that moment he would have seen a figure in a window of the second-story of the palace; it was Pope Leo. Confronted with the British sovereign who stood below in the sunlight and the center of the animation on the immense plaza, the solitary white figure in the palace window seemed to further the idea of the pope as a prisoner.

British Expedition Suspended.

Aden, Arabia, April 29.—In consequence of the recent British reverses in Somalia, it is reported here that the advance of the British expedition has been suspended indefinitely. Maj. Gen. Robertson is mentioned as the successor of Sir John D. Macdonald. Information here indicates that the complete reorganization of the executive heads of the expedition would be considered advantageous. It is feared that the recent victory would have been a setback to the Mad Mullah to attack isolated posts. The force at the disposal of Gen. Robertson is insufficient for offensive purposes, and it is reported here that he will strengthen his posts and remain in activity until after the hot weather.

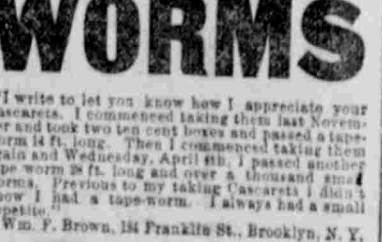
Desertions from the Navy.

Valparaiso, Chile, April 29.—There has been an epidemic of desertions from the navy on this coast some months past, but this month's report beats the record. It is said that 150 men have failed to return from receiving duty. Independence since the last pay day. When the enlisted men are questioned for a cause all claim that it is because of poor and scanty fare.

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It is really refreshing to the thousands of local fans in this city and Ogden to observe the business like way in which the gentlemen who are working to get ready for the opening of the season on May 3, just as soon as the agreement was signed between the two clubs, the first began to play, so to speak, and the first matter attended to was to make out a schedule. President Binford of the Ogden association conferred with President Critchlow of the locals and President Rogers of the Salt Lake club last evening, and formed a schedule which was at once adopted. The schedule, as arranged, will give Salt Lake the majority of games, most of which will be played on Saturdays and Sundays. This city gets the opening and closing games. In all, 41 contests will take place here, and 31 in Ogden. The season opens May 1 and closes Oct. 1. Owing to the fact that Wednesday afternoon is a half holiday in the Junction the number of games on that day will be played in Ogden.

The first game for the Salt Lake club will take place next Saturday afternoon at Walker's field with the Fort Douglas soldiers' team. Jack O'Brien has a number of promising youngsters on the string and will try to throw out a Saturday camp, the new pitcher, promises to hold the own on the rubber, and "Pete" Kimball, a Salt Lake favorite, will be seen in the outfield. Several other good players are on the string and are expected here shortly. Ogden has no means been absent during the last several weeks of talk. Gimlin has been advertising for players right along and is evident by the following, which appears in the Sporting News this week: "Wanted—A pitcher and shortstop; only also a first-class outfielder and any other position. Address Frank Gimlin, Ogden, Utah."

The schedule adopted by the two clubs is announced as follows:

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May 9, 19, 23, 24 and 31.
June 6, 7, 13, 14, 21, 22 and 27.
July 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20 and 23.
Aug. 1, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29 and 30.
Sept. 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27.
Oct. 2 and 4.
Games at Salt Lake, 41.

AT OGDEN.

May 13, 17, 20, 21, 29 and 31.
June 10, 11, 12, 13, 20 and 23.
July 1, 8, 15, 16, 22, 24 and 29.
Aug. 2, 5, 12, 16, 19, 25 and 28.
Sept. 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 29.
Games at Ogden, 31.

GIBBS-McARTHY MATCH.

Jerry Objects to Making 150 Pounds Weight for George.

There is a mild dispute between Jerry McCarthy and George Gibbs about their articles of agreement for their return bout, which is to take place on Saturday. Their first meeting was at 152 pounds, but Jerry now balks at coming down a couple of pounds and Gibbs insists on it. When the articles were sent to Jerry at Sureka, he noticed that the weight was placed at 152. He recently crossed out the cipher and substituted a 2. Gibbs noticed the change and then the dispute arose. But it will amount to nothing, as a couple of pounds can make little or no difference with weightweights. Jerry can easily make the required weight without injuring himself at all and doubtless he will be willing to do it.

EXCURSION TO PROVO.

L. D. S. University to Have Track Meet With B. Y. A.

The annual spring outing of the Latter-day Saints' university will be celebrated at Provo by this season on Saturday, May 2nd. An excursion has been arranged over the Rio Grande Western line for that day. "Everybody is invited," the posters say, and a big time is anticipated. The affair will consist of a picnic, to be taken by the students, and an athletic track meeting with the students of the B. Y. academy. The train will leave this morning at 10 o'clock, and will arrive at Provo on the early evening train. It has been provided that the train shall swing up on the branch line in Provo city, so as to have the walk from the depot such a way. An interesting series of athletic contests between the two schools will take place during the afternoon. The students are selling the tickets, which are at single fare. The last excursion by the L. D. S. U. to Provo was well attended, and it is probable that the excursion on Saturday will be quite as large.

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