

## AMERICANS CAUSED MORALES' FLIGHT FROM DOMINGO

### Attempted Landing of Sailors Almost Cost His Life.

## BRADFORD AS POLITICIAN

### Story of How He and Dawson Arranged a Coup.

The inside history of the flight of the former President of Santo Domingo, Carlos F. Morales, and his minister of foreign affairs, Sanchez, has leaked out in Washington.

Connected with the downfall of Morales is a story of an attempted coup d'etat, which all resulted in 1,800 American bluejackets being cut to pieces by the cannon of the Moro, and other fortifications of Santo Domingo city, which the Jiminista army, in defiance of President Morales, had manfully, loaded with slugs and grape shot to prevent the landing of the sailors.

This was the so-called Scorpion affair. At the time of the incident, official reports mentioned only a landing party from the little runabout Scorpion ordered for the purpose of exercising the men.

As a matter of fact, all the available men from the city, were sent in the harbor in small boats, carrying small arms and guns. Because the bigger vessels could not go close in, the party used the little Scorpion as a base.

**A Perilous Job.**  
Rear Admiral Bradford undertook this perilous job after a conference with United States Minister Dawson. A conversation between Mr. Dawson and the then Foreign Minister Sanchez is a part of the story.

This conversation, a day or two before the attempted landing, convinced Mr. Dawson that President Morales and Sanchez, both being Horacistas, and the only members of that party even figuratively in the government of Santo Domingo, could maintain their prestige no longer, unless the strength of the Jiministas was dissipated by armed domination of the city.

Mr. Sanchez is reported to have called Mr. Dawson that only by bolstering up Morales, routing the Jiministas and making the government of the country Horacista, in fact as well as in name, could the pending Dominican treaty be saved.

Mr. Dawson in turn convinced Rear Admiral Bradford that the landing of a great force of bluejackets was essential.

**Hurriedly Arranged.**  
The landing was hurriedly arranged. On the day selected for the coup, every man that could be spared from the ships was started ashore, a swarm of small boats carrying the party.

Tremendous excitement immediately broke loose in Santo Domingo city. President Morales and Foreign Minister Sanchez were in imminent danger of their lives, the report spreading like wild-fire that they had betrayed the country to the Americans.

The Jiminista minister of war quickly manned the old Moro, built in Christopher Columbus' time, and the other harbor works, loaded the guns, and ran them through the embrasures.

When the American small boat flotilla passed inside it faced an array of cannon that truly frowned.

Party in the meantime had gotten word that Rear Admiral Bradford that if a landing was attempted the forts would fire and cut the landing party to pieces.

**Bradford's Defiance.**  
Rear Admiral Bradford forthwith flew the following signal to his fleet:

"If the forts fire, engage and silence them."  
The American ships were cleared for action, and men who saw the affair say that American ships were nearer real fighting at that moment than at any time since 1885.

Rear Admiral Bradford, however, soon perceiving that the attempt could be successful only with great loss of life, owing to the unexpected preparedness of the Jiministas, gave the landing party to lay to. Negotiations were opened with the forts, and it was agreed that the sailors would be received if the Dominicans would leave the forts and cease to menace the small boats. This agreement, after considerable haggling, was carried out, and the landing party returned to the ships.

**Morales' Downfall.**  
The incident proved Morales' downfall. A dozen would-be assassins were searching the city for the supposedly traitorous President, while a rabble threatened the palace.

Morales was found later in the interior with a broken leg, and under immunity obtained for him by the American naval officers was permitted to leave the country. He and Sanchez, who also escaped on condition of exile, are now in Porto Rico.

The Jiministas were all but estranged by the landing incident. Particularly were they angry at Rear Admiral Bradford, whom they considered a potential invader of their country. This, it is said, led to the Department of State requesting the Navy Department to turn the Dominican naval command over to some other officer.

Bradford soon received orders to sail with his flag-ship, the Olympia, and Commander Sutherland is now in charge of the American ships in Dominican waters.

**LARGE HOTEL SWEEP INTO BAY AT SELINAS**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 26.—A dipatch from Selinas, a summer resort in Marin county, says that the Flagstaff Inn, a large hotel there, was swept into the bay and into water fifteen feet deep. Many persons had narrow escapes, but there were no fatalities. The water house studio rolled down a steep cliff into the bay. Many houses were ruined.

**Export Packers.**  
Merchants' Transfer & Storage Co.—Adv.

## SCARED SANTO DOMINGO



REAR ADMIRAL BRADFORD. Has Been Succeeded in Island Waters by Sutherland.

## ENDEAVORS TO WIN OVER THE JUDGE FOR MRS. DUKE

### Sensational Charge Made by Vice Chancellor Pitney.

NEWARK, N. J., April 26.—"Somebody has been attempting to influence me in favor of one of the parties in this suit. I have received a letter from a person who signed her name and gives her address, and who is trying to influence me. I wish it to be distinctly understood that this is not only in contempt of court, but an indictable offense."

This was thundered out by Vice Chancellor Pitney today at the resumption of the Duke divorce trial. Lawyer Lindabury, on behalf of Mr. Duke, asked permission to read the letter. It was granted, and after looking at the signature, Mr. Lindabury said:

"This is certainly a most extraordinary matter. But I shall refrain from asking that the court deal out the punishment which the case merits."

Like a Thunderclap.  
The judge's announcement came like a clap of thunder out of a clear sky. What the letter was or who had written it, the judge refused to permit to become public. It was understood however, that it was written by a friend of Mrs. Duke and to refer to Mrs. Duke's friendship for Mr. Huntton as not at all reprehensible—their love having been purely platonic.

It was learned that the name signed to the letter was that of Mrs. Oliver Norton, of Reading, Pa.

Although the law of New Jersey requires the defendant in a defended divorce suit to be present at the trial, Mrs. James B. Duke was not there today when the hearing was resumed.

"Her lawyers announced that she was very ill."

In view of Mrs. Duke's sickness," said Lawyer Parker. "I shall not call the testimony of the servants who are to be called as witnesses against her be deferred until she is able to be in court."

**Mrs. Duke's Illness.**  
Counsel for both sides withdrew to an adjoining room to confer, and as a result Mr. Lindabury, Mr. Duke's lawyer, announced:

"We agree to adjourn, as far as the witnesses referred to are concerned, on condition that we be allowed to send our own physician to pass on Mrs. Duke's illness."

This was consented to, and Dr. Joseph High Smith, of Newark, was decided upon to call upon Mrs. Duke at her home, 11 West Sixty-eighth street, New York.

## CAPT. S. E. THOMASON BURIED IN ARLINGTON

Funeral services for Capt. Samuel Edward Thomason were held at 1 o'clock this afternoon, in the chapel at Arlington. Bural was made in the National Cemetery. Captain Thomason's body was brought to Washington this morning at 7 o'clock, from Fort Monroe, where he died on Tuesday. It was taken immediately to Arlington.

The services were directly in charge of Lincoln Post, G. A. R., which Captain Thomason had rejoined only a week ago. Lafayette Lodge, F. A. A. M., and the Loyal Legion were represented at the funeral.

## THE WEATHER REPORT.

Low pressure still persists, except in the Pacific States, and there have been local rains over the northern half of the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Over the southern half the weather was clear to partly cloudy.

Temperatures are higher in the South Atlantic States and lower in the upper Mississippi Valley and the Northwest. The weather here will be fair tonight and Friday in the East and South, preceded by showers tonight in the southern portion of the Middle Atlantic States.

There will be no temperature changes of consequence.

**TEMPERATURE.**  
9 a. m. 56  
12 noon 58  
1 p. m. 58

**THE SUN.**  
Sun sets today 6:47  
Sun rises tomorrow 5:09

**TIDE TABLES.**  
Low tide today 3:58 p. m.  
High tide today 9:42 p. m.  
Low tide tomorrow 4:30 a. m., 5:08 p. m.  
High tide tomorrow 10:29 a. m., 10:49 p. m.

## CHANCE FOR ALL TO HELP SWELL THE RELIEF FUND

### Twelve Hundred Agents Begin a House to House Canvass of the District.

## BLANKS WILL BE LEFT AT EVERY DOOR IN CITY

### Business Offices and Departments Also Will Be Visited—Call for the Money Tomorrow.

### Thanks the District

A telegram expressing the gratitude of the people of San Francisco for the prompt relief work done in the District for the cause of the earthquake and fire sufferers was received by the District Commissioners from Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz, of that city.

"Your generous response," his official message read, "awakens gratitude in the hearts of our suffering people. Convey our thanks and deep appreciation."

With more than \$25,000 already subscribed through the citizens' relief committee of Washington for the California relief fund, the committee on canvass, of which John Joy Edson is chairman, began today its house to house canvass for funds.

Under the supervision of the chairman of the various district committees, 1,300 agents of the general committee will visit every home in the District, and leave a subscription blank. Business houses, office buildings, apartment houses, and Government buildings will be canvassed, and it is expected that by tonight more than 90,000 blanks will have been distributed. Tomorrow the subscriptions will be collected by the same canvassers who left the blanks, and to prevent impostors from using the opportunity as a means of gain, those who contribute are warned against paying their subscriptions to anyone except the same persons who left the blanks.

The Times today prints a facsimile of the subscription blank, and should anyone fall through an oversight or error to receive one from a canvasser, the coupon can be clipped from the Times and mailed or handed to the committee on canvass. The headquarters of the committee are on the first floor of the Washington Loan and Trust building, Ninth and F streets northwest. Should the agent fail to call for the subscription tomorrow, the committee requests that it be mailed in the envelope in which the blank was left.

**Rumbling and Shock.**  
Mrs. Haywood's father, Mr. Sanders, in his letter stated that on Wednesday morning he was awakened by a rumbling noise and the next moment the shock came. He was sick in the hospital at the time, but, with others, was hurried away and taken to Palo Alto.

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When these rumors began circulating, her father wrote, the people of Palo Alto at once began preparations for the exodus which they knew would follow, and all the canned goods were purchased and arrangements made to meet the emergency and do all in the power of the citizens to give relief to the sufferers.

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Mrs. Haywood's schoolmate friend in San Francisco wrote that while many houses stood the shock, the people who received and if the indications of this morning's progress can be taken as a guide, nearly every household in the District will contribute to the fund.

**Busy Scenes at Headquarters.**  
All this morning the headquarters of the committee in the Washington Loan and Trust building was the scene of the greatest activity. Chairman Edson personally supervised the work of organizing the canvass, and was assisted by Vice Chairman W. Riley Deeble, and Secretary Andrew Parker.

It was decided at the meeting of the Board of Education last night that the school children of the District would be given an opportunity to contribute to the relief fund next Tuesday. Upon suggestion of E. Southard Parker, and to be made very plain that the contributions are in no sense compulsory, and parents are to be apprised to this effect. Superintendent Stuart, stated, however, that a number of the principals had advised him that the desire to give was almost unanimous among the pupils.

**Belasco Benefit a Great Success.**  
Society paid tribute to the relief fund yesterday afternoon and turned out in goodly numbers to witness the benefit performance at the Belasco. A trifle less than \$2,000 was raised as a result of the benefit. This amount was

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**Plenty of Laths.**  
Libbey Co., 6th and N. Y. Ave.—Adv.

## BUSY SCENES AT THE CITIZENS' RELIEF WAREHOUSE FOR SAN FRANCISCO SUPPLIES



The Supply Depot at 217 Sixth Street Northwest Is in Charge of Edward W. Springman. Here All Supplies Intended for San Francisco Are Received, Packed and Shipped to Their Destination.

## FRISCO DISASTER TOLD IN LETTERS

### Easterners Ahead of the Far Westerners in Getting News.

People in the East had more information about the details of the earthquake and fire in San Francisco than many of the refugees who fled from the stricken city at the first shock and made their escape to nearby towns.

Mrs. R. C. Haywood, a clerk in the City Postoffice, last evening received several letters from California. One letter was from her father, A. A. Sanders, dated April 20, Palo Alto, to which place he made his way on the day of the earthquake.

Another letter was from a lady friend, a schoolmate. This letter was also dated last Friday, and was written in the earthquake city, in front of the house owned and occupied by the young lady.

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## HUNGRY FRISCO REFUGEES POURING INTO CHICAGO

### Hundreds Fed This Morning and Given Free Railroad Transportation to Their Destinations—Lunch Basket for Each Person.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 25.—One hundred and fifty-four penniless and hungry refugees from San Francisco arrived at the Northwestern depot at 6:45 o'clock this morning, and were taken immediately to the dining room in the depot, where they were provided with breakfasts. Arrangements also were made to supply each person with a lunch basket. The work is in charge of Superintendent Kingsley, of the relief and aid society.

Another train of refugees, 170 in all, reached the Union depot at 8:15 o'clock this morning. Similar arrangements were made to feed this detachment at the depot by relief and aid workers.

Other refugees, numbering into the hundreds, are expected to reach this city in the next few days. All are destitute, and arrangements to care for them have been made.

The railroads agree to furnish free transportation and arrangements have been made so that the refugees will leave for their destinations as soon as possible after arriving in Chicago.

Alexander Cleland will meet the first special train on the Northwestern, this morning at De Kalb, Ill. Dispatches last night stated that there are 275 destitute passengers on this train.

**WOMAN'S THROAT TO SAVE HER LIFE**  
Ambulance Physician's Heroic Operation Prevents Patient's Suffocation En Route to Hospital.

NEW YORK, April 26.—While the ambulance was hurrying to Bellevue Hospital with Mrs. Bertha Welfar, thirty-two years old, of 52 First avenue, who had attempted suicide by swallowing carbolic acid, Dr. Hunt saw that Mrs. Welfar was beginning to suffocate. He drew his lancet and plunged it into the woman's throat, and opened the windpipe. He then inserted a tube, the patient gave a gasp, and her lungs filled. The doctor was still at work when the ambulance drew up in front of the reception ward.

This is said to be the first time in medical history that an operation of such a kind was performed under similar conditions. The physicians at the hospital say there is no doubt about the recovery of the patient.

**NEWBERRY YOUNGSTERS GRADUALLY RECOVERING**  
Prefer Seeing Ball Games to Roller Skating Against Heavily Laden Coal Carts.

PHILIPS and Barnes Newberry, the fourteen-year-old twin sons of Assistant Secretary of the Navy Newberry, are gradually recovering from the injuries they received in a collision with a coal wagon while enjoying sport on roller skates with General Roosevelt in Executive avenue, opposite the White office, ten days ago.

"Next time father buys me new roller skates and offers to send us to the ball game the same day, I think we will pass up the skates and see the balls fly," remarked Barnes, speaking of the accident. "Because of those skates we both got hurt the day the base ball season opened, and neither of us has seen a game yet."

## BLANK FORM FOR SAN FRANCISCO SUBSCRIPTION

**General Committee**  
Hon. H. R. F. MACFARLAND, Chairman.  
J. NOTA MCGILL, Secretary.  
E. S. PARKER, Treasurer.

**Committee on Canvass**  
JNO. JOY EDSON, Chairman.  
W. RILEY DEEBLE, Vice-Chairman.  
ANDREW PARKER, Secretary.

## COMMITTEE ON CANVASS SAN FRANCISCO RELIEF FUND SUBSCRIPTION PAPER

Contributions of any amount, however small, gladly received. Please have this paper and your contributions ready when called for and thus save valuable time. Should the Canvasser fail to call kindly return envelope and contribution by mail.

I hereby contribute to the fund for the relief of the residents of San Francisco and vicinity the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_

This is a facsimile of the Citizens' Committee subscription blank and may be clipped out and used should anyone fail to receive one from a canvasser. Should the agent fail to call the committee requests that it be mailed to the headquarters of the committee on the first floor of the Washington Loan and Trust building, Ninth and F streets northwest.

## GREELY INSISTS ON MORE TROOPS TO GUARD CITY

### Wires War Department They Are Greatly Needed at San Francisco.

## TROUBLE IS FEARED IN POORER DISTRICTS

### Only One Soldier to Each One Hundred Refugees Now on the Ground. Men Worn Out.

The War Department received the following advice from General Greely at San Francisco this morning:

"Fort Mason, San Francisco April 25. Desire especially to call attention of Secretary of War and Chief of Staff to necessity for additional troops. Not only is the present force inadequate to fully guard the interests of the city, but they have been necessarily overworked in the past, and are overtaxed today. Distances are simply enormous, and conditions demanding military action can best be subserved by sending a large force of mounted men as is practicable."

"The spirit and conduct of the troops, officers and men, having maintained the high standing of American army, and a continuance of physical stress and mental responsibility is not advisable in the present high tension of affairs."

"GREELY."  
"Fort Mason, San Francisco, April 25. My request of April 23, for 2,500 additional troops was made after the most careful consideration, and is a minimum number of troops outside this division considered absolutely essential to comply with reasonable requirements of civil authorities of State and city."

before stated, the number is only one-half that I was strongly urged to request for. It is recognized that the present use of the army in the unprecedented disaster in California is beyond the strict letter of the law, and extreme caution has been and will be exercised to avoid any complications. The division commander realizing the responsibility devolving upon him, the interests of the War Department have been scrupulously guarded by insisting on requests being reduced to writing. The municipal authorities are practically helpless, their conditions having been set forth in telegrams this morning.

**Conditions Portentous of Trouble.**  
"It is not understood what are the recent developments which caused the department to consider prospective conditions as favorable to a reduced military force. Every effort is made to keep in touch with affairs everywhere through trained inspectors. They report today conditions in the poorest district which are portentous of difficulty unless carefully handled by competent and experienced officers. Supplies and shelter are available for additional troops who will be quartered largely in small detachments at well selected points."

"Should conditions render it impracticable to furnish entire number of additional troops requested, every effort will be made on the part of myself and the rest of the army to faithfully and efficiently handle the situation. The utmost conservatism with efficiency of the municipal authorities and the people has been the rule."

"Estimate from various sources place the destitute between two hundred thousand and a quarter of a million, which leaves but one soldier to every hundred destitute people, and the additional force would give only two to the hundred. The number of destitute people somewhat below 200,000, the judgment of others cannot be safely ignored. I hope within two or three days to leave matters so in hand as to state quite clearly the situation as regards numbers, conditions, approximate expenses per day, and other factors of vital importance."

"The 2,500 additional troops from outside the Pacific division, requested by General Greely, will probably be ordered to San Francisco this afternoon. Secretary Taft, in his advice to the War Department are loath to send reinforcements to San Francisco, but General Greely's request seemed to indicate the urgency of the situation."

Secretary Taft conferred with the President today in reference to the matter. Pending the President's decision, orders were not issued.

**Troops En Route From Vancouver.**  
The Military Secretary this morning received the following from Vancouver Barracks, Washington:

"Companies E and F, Tenth Infantry, four officers and 100 men, with fifty-four enlisted Fourteenth Cavalry, one Hospital Corps, one contract surgeon, one chaplain, Lieutenant Schultz and Captain Gray, Fourteenth Cavalry, commanding, left Portland at 2:40 p. m. today with seven horses, due to arrive Oakland early 27th inst. Division commander notified."

"Brigadier General WILLIAMS."  
**KNIGHTS OF MACCABEES ISSUE APPEAL FOR FUNDS**

An appeal to the local tens and individual members of the Knights of the Maccabees for funds for the relief of the 1,000 and odd Maccabees who are victims of the San Francisco catastrophe has just been issued by D. W. Gall, State commander of the Maccabees for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Gall says the Maccabees have their own relief committee and that all members of the order are being careful for just as was done in the flooded district at Galveston.

Times Want Ads. Bring Results.