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PUBLIC BATHS FOR RICHMOND

Council Will Almost Certainly Accept Mr. Branch's Offer.

COMMITTEE WILL GO TO BALTIMORE

Finance Committee Had Already Endorsed Principle and Had Determined to Have Baltimore Baths Inspected for Information.

The offer of Mr. John P. Branch of $25,000 to the city for the establishment of a system of public baths, provided the city will maintain them, will, in all probability, be readily accepted by the Council.

The matter has been agitated for some time by the Finance Committee, and that body went so far as to declare for the principle and to appoint a sub-committee to visit other cities and examine the systems there.

This sub-committee is composed of Messrs. Barton H. Grundy, Gilbert K. Pollock, E. Harvey Spence and H. R. Pollard, Jr. They will go to Baltimore some time this week to look into the municipal bath system in that city. This is said to be one of the finest in the country and that 380,000 baths were given in the Baltimore institution during 1905.

The charge in Baltimore is nominal, tickets being sold as low as two or three cents each.

Mayor McCarthy will communicate the offer of Mr. Branch to the lower branch of the council at the special session to-night, and good judges of the situation said the body will vote unanimously to accept it.

Board Will Concur.

If the matter should go through the council to-night, as now seems certain, it will go to the board for concurrence at the regular session of that body to-morrow night.

The offer of Mr. Branch was widely and favorably commented upon yesterday by citizens as well as councilmen, and no one was found who did not appear heartily in favor of accepting it. The establishment here of such a system of baths as Mr. Branch proposes, and as will probably be established after the committee views those in other cities, will, in the opinion of many, be of untold benefit and comfort to the people of Richmond, and will be welcomed by all classes. The question is not expected to provoke anything but favorable discussion to-night.

Effective Organization.

To the Richmond Public Baths Association is doubtless due the already strong sentiment in the city and in the Council in favor of having public baths. For months past Mr. James E. Tyler, Jr., president of the association, and those associated have been quietly at work, enlisting not only the interest, but the co-operation of members of the Council was secured.

The first public meeting in interest of public baths of the city was held January 24, 1905.

Mayor McCarthy presided and Mr. T. M. Badencoff, superintendent of the public baths of Baltimore, delivered an address, having come to the city at the invitation of gentlemen interested. An organization was effected on February 10th of last year, with the following officers: President, J. E. Tyler, Jr.; first vice-president, N. B. Williams; second vice-president, J. J. Hickok; secretary, W. Reginald Walker; treasurer, W. M. Habliston; directors, the officers and the following—Messrs. L. M. Williams, A. P. Wilmer, Dr. C. V. Carrington, Robert Leck, Jr., John Stewart Bryan, N. W. Hargrove, Rev. James Buchanan, Chris. Manning, Jr., and Rev. G. Otis Mead.

Mr. Tyler, president, frequently talked with Mr. Branch about the objects of the organization and found him always deeply interested in the movement. Mr. Branch went so far as to say to him on the occasion that if the organization failed to meet with proper support he might be counted upon to stand by it.

Naturally the association is delighted at the turn affairs have taken and feel confident that the Council will gladly accept Mr. Branch's offer.

PATRIOTIC CEREMONY ENDS IN FATAL RIOT

(By Associated Press.)

ATHENS, April 8.—In the celebration of the anniversary of the independence of Greece Saturday, the patriotic demonstrations were ended at 9 o'clock in the evening by a serious riot, resulting from political dissensions over the elections, and in which two persons were killed and seventeen wounded during a revolver fusillade. The troops then cleared the streets.

The results of the elections, which were held to-day, will not be known until to-morrow.

Sanguinary conflicts and riots are reported to have taken place in several towns.

OLDEST BISHOP IN COUNTRY IS DEAD

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND ORE., April 8.—Benjamin Wistar Morris, Bishop of the Protestant-Episcopal Church for the diocese of Oregon, died to-day.

He is said to have been the oldest Bishop in the United States.

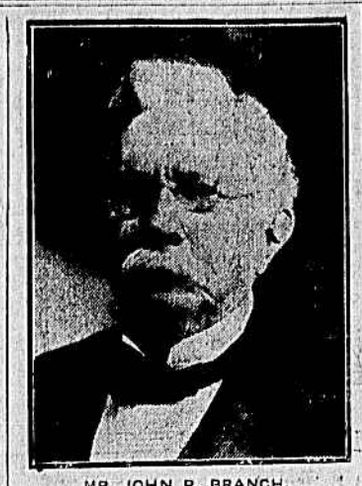
Babmaata Escapes.

(By Associated Press.)

DURBAN, NATAL, April 8.—Chief Bambaata has escaped into Zululand, with a body-gaurd of seventy warriors. Colonel Leucher, of the colonial punitive force, is in pursuit.

Colonel Harkin to Lecture.

Colonel Ben Lee Harkin, of Kentucky, will lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Hall to-night for the benefit of the West End Christian Church. His subject will be "The Boy." Colonel Harkin is a most delightful speaker, known all over his State as a story-teller of great gifts. The address will begin at 8:30, and all who attend may be assured of a delightful evening.



MR. JOHN P. BRANCH.

His offer of public baths to Richmond will almost certainly be accepted.

WOMAN BREAKS LONG SILENCE

Sensational Story Involves Prominent Pittsburg Men in Alleged Conspiracy.

HUSBAND CRUEL, SHE SAYS

Tennessee Man Offers to Go to Pittsburg and Kill Negro.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PITTSBURG, PA., April 8.—Driven almost to desperation by the prospect of another long delay in the courts, Mrs. Mary Scott Hartje, wife of Augustus Hartje, the millionaise paper manufacturer, has decided to make answer to the world of the accusations of her husband, who last October sued for divorce, naming a colored coachman and a stable boy in his complaint. The answer of Mrs. Hartje is a startling story, containing allegations of parsimony and cruelty and a conspiracy that implicates several prominent lawyers and society men in Pittsburg. Mrs. Hartje is a granddaughter of a former president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and is socially prominent in Pittsburg. She says in part:

"We were married March 14, 1894, and I lived with my husband until July, 1905. I cannot tell what I suffered during those eleven years, and if the case lasted weeks in court, it could not all be shown.

"I want to say in the first place that, before God and man, all that he has charged in his divorce papers, and all that his hired witnesses may swear in court is false. I was a true, good wife to him all of those years.

Story of Woman.

"When I could stand his cruelties no longer, and came home, he waited for a time, and then wrote me to come back. While he was writing those letters he was getting the evidence also as to this negro.

"The world knows that the negro's statement is false, for he has confessed that he perjured himself for money and is now in jail to be punished for the crime.

"My husband sent his brother, Edward G. Hartje, a lawyer, to urge my father to send me back, and my father said: 'No, not while I have flesh on my bones.' From that moment the building up of this awful case began. The negro's perjured testimony is but one item. They have even intimated that I tried to overcome Mr. Hartje with chloroform while we were in Paris. It will appear later that the European trip has much to do with the case. While we were away he was most cruel to me, and it was immediately upon our return that I left him and came home to my father and mother.

"Mr. Hartje was always insanely jealous of me, and he made my life miserable. Although he owns a paper mill worth a million dollars in Steubensville, and owns twenty-six pieces of downtown real estate in Pittsburg, including corner on which he is now erecting a twelve-story skyscraper, he wore paper collars for years. He would buy a $1,500 horse over the telephone and the next minute when I would ask him for $3 to buy a pair of shoes for Scotty, our little boy, he would tell me to get them for $1.50.

"Finally my mother had to buy my

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SECRETARY OF LODGE PLACED UNDER ARREST

Charged With Embezzling Sum That Was to Buy a Consulship.

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, April 8.—Robert G. Proctor, private secretary of United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, for whose arrest on the charge of embezzlement, a warrant was issued yesterday, surrendered himself at police headquarters to-day. Mr. Proctor was immediately released on $500 bail.

The warrant was issued after the grand jury had made its report. The specific charge is that Proctor embezzled $225 belonging to John E. Bestgen, of Quincy, in October, 1904. Bestgen alleged that he gave Proctor the money as a Republican campaign contribution, and that Proctor promised to aid him in obtaining a consulship.

It is further alleged that no record of this sum appears upon the books of the Republican State committee and that it has not been included in the returns of campaign contributions.

Proctor came to this city from Washington last Thursday when the case was called to the attention to the grand jury, but as he was not summoned to appear, he returned to that city. After the report of the grand jury yesterday, upon advice of his counsel, Proctor immediately left Washington for Boston. To-day he appeared at police headquarters and surrendered to the authorities. State Senator Daniel A. Lane and Surveyor of the Port Jeremiah J. McCarthy furnished bonds for his release. Proctor will be arraigned to-morrow.

OVERHEAD BRIDGE AT ACCA STATION

R., F. & P. Will Build an Iron Structure Over Their Tracks.

WILL COST ABOUT TWENTY THOUSAND

Approaches Will Be Thousand Feet on Each Side—Bridge One Hundred Feet Long. Will Eliminate a Very Dangerous Crossing.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company has decided to erect, at its own expense, a massive iron bridge over its tracks at Acca Station, which will, upon its completion, be turned over to the county authorities of Henrico.

This statement was made by Judge William Josiah Leake, president of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, and on yesterday it was learned from a prominent official of the company that work would begin at once on the proposed bridge, the plans having been already prepared and the material secured for the work.

At Acca Station, just beyond the city limits, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad has in recent years constructed such a large freight car yard that a great number of tracks have to be crossed by persons riding or driving from Richmond to the Deep Run Hunt Club, Lakeside or to points on the Hermitage and Brook Road, making the passage exceedingly dangerous on account of the fast trains of the Washington-Southern and Seaboard Air Line, which are continuously passing, and on account of freight engines and cars that are a constant menace to safety.

Some time ago the county authorities endeavored by process of law to force the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac to erect a bridge over its tracks at the end of Hill Monument Avenue, but the courts, of last resort, decided in favor of the railroad, and it seemed as though one of the most attractive drives around the city would be permanently lost to its citizens.

Of Its Own Accord.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, however, has solved the difficulty by offering, of its own volition, to construct the proposed overhead crossing at its own expense.

The bridge will be a two span, iron structure, one hundred feet in length with a broad double roadway. The approach on each side will be 1,000 feet long and will be fenced in solidly so that smoke from trains passing underneath will not frighten horses. The cost of the bridge and the improvements in connection with it will exceed $20,000.

The erection of this bridge at Acca will not only add greatly to the safety and comfort of driving in that neighborhood, but will in no small degree increase the value of property.

It is stated by an officer of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac that when the Acca bridge is completed, there will not be a single grade crossing between Richmond and Staples (Dumbarton), a distance of five miles.

COOLNESS OF PROFESIOR PREVENTED LYNCHING

(By Associated Press.)

MERIDIAN, MISS., April 8.—The coolness of Professor J. W. Beeson, of the Meridian Female College, prevented the lynching of a negro who shot Branzcomb Farmer, a street car conductor, last night. Early this morning a mob of not less than one hundred men and boys located the negro at the college, where he has been employed, and prepared to make an attack. Professor Beeson, secreted the negro and argued the mob into dispersing by promising to deliver the negro to the police on Monday. The shooting occurred over the refusal of the negro to pay fare for a twelve-year-old boy who accompanied him on the car. The conductor, it is believed, will recover.

Back in Washington.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Mrs. Roosevelt and her three children arrived here to-day from Savannah over the Southern Railroad on her return from the cruise on the Mayflower to Cuba.

ASKED TO BE HANGED: TRIED TO BREAK JAIL

Rawlings Sent Letter to Governor But Strange Request Aroused Suspicion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ATLANTA, GA., April 8.—Governor Terrill has received a letter from J. G. Rawlings, of Lowndes county, now under sentence of death for the murder of the Carter children, Willie and Clara, whose case is now before the Supreme Court of the United States, asking that the Governor grant no more reprieves or respites or interfere in any way with the execution of the sentence of the court, as he is tired of the whole affair and wishes to be hanged on May 4th.

The Supreme Court has practically declined to take any action in the Rawlings case, so there is every prospect of his unique request of the Governor being fulfilled. Doubt was felt of the sincerity of Rawlings's plea to the Governor to-day, when it was learned that he and his sons, Milton and Jesse, who are to hang with him, and Leonard, who is under life sentence, yesterday tried to saw their way out of the Lowndes county jail, at Valdosta.

Escape From Jail.

(By Associated Press.)

SAVANNAH, GA., April 8.—The following prisoners made their escape last night from jail here by sawing the bars: Ike Rawlings, George Moon and Oliver Wilcox, colored, all being held under the charge of murder. Their escape was not discovered until this morning.

ZION GIRDING FOR FRAY WITH DOWIE

Both Sides Preparing to Use Force in Chicago To-Morrow.

MONSTER MEETING HELD YESTERDAY

Apostle Denounced As Spendthrift, Liar and Traitor, and Mrs. Dowie Applauds. Prophet Says He Will Fight to End.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 8.—The Zionist Church here to-day confirmed the deposition of John Alexander Dowie.

(By Associated Press.)

ZION CITY, ILL., April 8.—With the approval of thousands of Dowieites in open meeting to-day, General Overseer Glenn Voliva denounced John Alexander Dowie as a spend-thrift, liar and traitor, and was, in turn, promised support as leader of the Christian Catholic Church in Zion to fill the place of the founder of the church, now deposed.

On the platform with Voliva at Shiloh Tabernacle, were, Mrs. John Alexander Dowie, Judge Barnes, head of the law department of Zion City, and Overseers Speicher, Excell, Cantel and Granger. Six thousand people were present. At the conclusion of a short prayer by Overseer Speicher, the new leader of Zion, clad in a robe of simple white and black, a decided departure from the guady raiment assumed by the First Apostle on similar occasions, stepped to the front of the platform, and in a slow, calm and studied voice, made the announcement that he was going to take advantage of to-day's meeting "to tell a few truths" about the man whom they had so faithfully followed for several years.

Mrs. Dowie Appeals.

Voliva told of the "deplorable" conditions at Zion City when he arrived a month ago from Australia and took up the management of Zion's interests at Dowie's command. When Voliva angrily exclaimed, "I will see that all the costly furniture and expensive library adorning Dowie's Zion City residence, and which were purchased by that hypocrite while many of his people was in need of food, are sold and the money turned into Zion storehouses." Mrs. Dowie half rose and with her voice and hands, loudly applauded the words.

Overseer Voliva in justification of the overthrow of Zion's First Apostle, told how money had been squandered foolishly for Dowie's own comfort while the creditors and the people of Zion were calling loudly for money.

He cited his own experience in Zion Church. He declared that he had been compelled to keep himself and family on $50 a month, allowed him by Dowie, and that out of this monthly salary he had been compelled to turn over a tenth in tithes to the church.

While receiving $50 a month, Voliva declared that he had been sending the storehouse at Zion City $1,700 every month, and that other deacons had done fully as well as he had for the church. He asked his congregation if they wished to return to the Dowie regime or preferred to follow him and the business committee of twelve overseers which he had appointed, and all of whom were a unit in the deposing of Dowie. The audience acquiesced in all that had been done for Zion since the movement against Dowie was begun. Overseer Voliva concluded:

Ignorance and Hypocrisy.

"Alexander Granger owns this tabernacle. He owns this entire estate. What I want you to do is to send all tithes and offerings to Zion in the name of Overseer Granger instead of in the name of John Alexander Dowie. Make all checks and all commercial paper of every description payable to Alexander Granger. The day has come when you ought to act as men and women and exercise your God-given free will.

"If you want to stand for downright lying, hypocrisy and shameful misuse of money, keep your seats, but of all those present who are tired of his lying, his exaggerations, his misrepresentations and his inconsistencies and his hypocrisy and his gross ignorance of all business laws and principles, stand up as an evidence of their denouncement of Dowie and his methods."

The response was instantaneous, everyone in the building rising in acknowledgment of Voliva's leadership.

Voliva then declared that if Dowie, on his arrival in Zion City on Tuesday, thought to frighten into submission, Dowie never was more mistaken in his life. Voliva requested all present to keep

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Rain Monday; Tuesday, fair; cooler; fresh to brisk south winds, shifting to northwest.

North Carolina—Showers Monday; cooler in western portion; Tuesday, fair; cooler in eastern portion; fresh to brisk southwest to northwest winds.

Conditions Yesterday.

Richmond's weather yesterday was cloudy and warm. Thermometer at midnight, 50.

Conditions in Important Cities.

(At 8 P. M., Eastern Time.)

Place.	Ther.	High. T.	Weather.
Asheville, N. C.	62	64	Cloudy
Augusta	70	74	Cloudy
Atlanta, Ga.	70	74	Rain
Charlotte	62	66	Cloudy
Charleston	66	70	Cloudy
Chicago, Ill.	50	50	Rain
Jacksonville	68	76	Clear
New York City	48	54	Cloudy
Raleigh	64	72	Rain
Savannah	66	74	Cloudy
Tampa, Fla.	72	82	Cloudy
Washington	56	62	Rain
Wilmington	64	74	Rain

Miniature Almanac.

April 9, 1906.

Sun rises	5:46	HIGH TIDE.	
Sun sets	6:36	Morning	4:35
Moon rises	7:21	Evening	5:05

TOWNS FLOODED BY FIERY STREAM; NAPLES IN PANIC

DOWIE IN ZION TO-MORROW.

ELIJAH III, DEPOSED.

This picture, which shows the First Apostle in his state robes, was presented to The Times-Dispatch for publication by Dowie when he visited Richmond about a year ago.

MILLION MARK NEARLY REACHED

President Alderman is Striving to Increase University of Virginia Endowment.

CARNEGIE'S HALF MILLION

On Founder's Day, April 19th, Recent Subscriptions Will Be Announced.

Among the interesting facts stated by Dr. James M. Page, general secretary of the General Alumni Association of the University of Virginia, is the appended schedule of amounts that have been contributed to the University since President Alderman became head of the institution:

Andrew Carnegie	$500,000
John D. Rockefeller	100,000
T. Jefferson Coolidge	50,000
James C. Carter	10,000
George Foster Peabody	10,000
Joseph Bryan	10,000
Charles Broadway Rouss	9,000
Thomas Nelson Page	8,000
Francis Bartlett	2,500
Samuel Spencer	5,000
Alexander H. Humphreys	2,000
Other gifts	5,500
State of Virginia	85,000
Alumni	3,450
Total	$800,450
To which may be added:	
Miss Helen Gould	$ 5,000
A New York subscription	50,000
	$855,450

Coming Founder's Day.

In connection with the ceremonies of Founder's Day, April 19th, it is expected that the president will make an official statement as to donations received from individuals since the last report.

It is interesting to note that but $144,550 remains to be raised to make an even million dollar subscription, which will secure the half-million dollars offered by Mr. Carnegie, conditional on another half-million being raised by the University.

President Alderman, it is thought, will in his announcement of subscriptions on Founder's Day, greatly reduce the amount still to be secured.

COULDN'T LIVE WITHOUT WIFE, KILLED HIMSELF

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BALTIMORE, MD., April 8.—C. T. Coffey, of North Wilkesboro, N. C., committed suicide here to-day in the Caswell Hotel. He first tried to cut his throat with a knife, but failed, and then sent out for laudanum.

He left a letter to the press, declaring that he killed himself because he could not live without his wife, who is dead. He appeared to be about 40 years old.

REFORM VICTORY CAUSES CRISIS

Wildest Hopes of Russian Liberals Realized and Government is Rudely Upset.

EMPEROR DRIVEN TO WALL

May Be Compelled to Issue Constitution or Disperse National Parliament.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, April 8.—The electoral colleges in twenty-eight out of the fifty-one provinces in European Russia to-day elected 178 members to the national parliament—about one-third of its entire membership—and returns received up to midnight indicate that the wildest hopes of the Liberals have been realized, the Constitutional Democrats and other progressives practically everywhere having gained a tremendous victory over the Octoberists and other conservative parties. As far as is ascertainable, not a single reactionary candidate pulled through, and nowhere did even the Octoberists score a triumph. The majorities obtained by the radicals clinch the character of the victory. From the Volga to the frontier of Poland, and from the still ice-bound coast of Archangel to the Black Sea, the story is substantially the same.

The Result.

In almost every instance the peasants elected not only were progressives, but the majority of them at least had a high school education.

In the Volga district and the central provinces, where famine and Agrarian disorders have been the greatest, the peasant vote was most radical.

In the Samara by a vote of 86 to 8, they chose M. Guttandont, a Socialist, while the members elected by the college were a doctor, four Zemstvoists and five progressive peasants.

In far-away Ufa, the border territory, the Orenburg cossacks returned a solid progressive delegation, consisting of four Russians and six Mussulmans.

The effect of the revolutionary outbreaks at Sebastopol was reflected in the results in Tautida, which includes the whole of the Crimea, where the peasants chose a Social Revolutionist.

In the province of Grodno in the Jewish pale, a solid progressive delegation was chosen, included among it being two Jews.

Tver, where Governor-General Sleptzoff was assassinated Saturday, was swept by the Constitutional Democrats by an overwhelming majority. Ivan Pterunkevitch, the leader of the Constitutional Democrats, and against whom the opposition was concentrated, and Mm. Bodicheff and Kuzminkaravieff were triumphantly elected.

Government Rudely Upset.

Among other prominent persons elected are Prince Balataloff, the well known zemstvoist worker of Simbersk; Prince

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People Fly, Prisoners in Jail Go Mad With Terror.

ERUPTION IS MORE FURIOUS THAN EVER

Breathing Difficult Because of Poisonous Fumes and Smoke From Volcano.

SITUATION IS GROWING HOURLY MORE CRITICAL

Churches Keep Open All Night and Are Filled With Panic-Stricken People—Much Misery But Few Fatalities As Yet.

(By Associated Press.)

NAPLES, April 8.—The hope that Mount Vesurius was becoming calm was dissipated to-day when the volcano became more active than ever.

The panic has spread to Naples. Two strong earthquake shocks which shattered windows and cracked the walls of buildings, were experienced today. The entire population rushed to the streets in terror, many persons crying:

"The Madonna has forsaken us; the end of the world has come."

Commune Destroyed.

No trace remains of Boscotrecase, a commune on the Southern declivity of the mountain, where, up to forty-eight hours ago, ten thousand persons lived and Torre Annunziata, on the shores of the Gulf of Naples, one mile to the southward, is almost surrounded by the invading lava and has been evacuated by its thirty thousand inhabitants. The people were brought to Naples by trains, street cars, military carts and steamships.

Similar means of transportation are being employed to bring away the people from Torre Del Greco. The police and carbiners are guarding the abandoned houses, and several members of the government are also there. The telegram received from the mayor of San Sebastiano, a village near the observatory, on the northwest declivity of Vesuvius, says the lava is approaching rapidly, and that the people are terror-stricken. They have been for nights without sleep, he says, are destitute and beg that assistance be given them.

Work of Succor.

The work of succor is hampered, owing to delays to the railway service, which is interrupted by red-hot stones thrown to a height of 3,000 feet falling on the tracks.

As yet it is impossible to count the craters that have opened and from which streams of lava have flooded the beautiful, prosperous and happy land lying on the southeast shores of the Gulf of Naples. The atmosphere is heavily charged with electricity, and now and then the flashes of lightning are blinding, while the detonations from the volcano resemble those of terrible explosions.

The churches of the city were open all Saturday night and were crowded with panic-stricken people. Members of the clergy are doing their utmost to calm their fears, but the effects of their arguments go almost for naught when renewed earthquake shocks are experienced.

With the danger and horror of the situation aside, Vesuvius presents one of the most splendid sights imaginable. The mountain of fire, whose speech is by detonation, and whose acts are destruction, seems like an enraged giant determined to make the pigmies of earth feel the might of his wrath. Here and there on the mountain side stand the blasted trunks of pine trees, their bare branches outstretched as though in protest against the devastation the volcano has wrought.

Observatory Destroyed.

The Duchess of Aosta, who always is to be found where misery exists, is not sparing herself in her efforts to alleviate distress. The people call her an angel of mercy. To-day she took several children from their weary mothers, and in her carriage conveyed them to the royal palace, where they will remain until conditions are brighter.

The observatory has been destroyed, and Signor Matteucci, the director, and the employes had narrow escapes. They passed last night in the darkness, save for the frequent flashes of lightning, as the gas works and electric lighting plant also were destroyed. The restaurant of the funicular railroad, too, has been obliterated.

Prisoners in Mad Panic.

Prisoners in jails on the mountainside went mad with terror and mutinied, and were only partially quieted by being brought here. But their fears have been communicated to the prisoners here, who may rebel at any moment. The situation is critical.

Breathing is momentarily becoming more difficult because of the poisonous fumes and smokes, while the hot ashes, which are still falling, tend to make life a burden.

Much Misery; No Fatalities.

Contrary to expectations, the sea has not yet shown signs of being affected by the phenomena, but fears are entertained that tidal waves may yet come and many craft have put to sea. Visitors to Naples are avoiding the hotels on the sea front, and the people living there are beginning to leave for higher altitudes.

Though there is much misery, up to the present time there have been no fatalities except at Portici, where an old woman died, supposedly from fright.

LONG RECORD OF TERRIBLE VOLCANO

This is the record of Vesuvius:

In 63 A. D., during the reign of Nero, the volcanic nature of Mount Vesuvius first manifested itself in a series of earthquakes, which destroyed much property and damaged villas at Pompeii and Herculaneum.

In 61 A. D. an eruption and earthquake