

VESUVIUS IS QUIETER, BUT THE DISTRESS OF ITS VICTIMS INCREASES Neapolitans Are Still Bombarded by Showers of Ashes, Sand and Cinders.

King Victor Emmanuel Risks His Life to Aid in Relieving Homeless Subjects.

Though the eruption of Vesuvius appears to be in its last stages, clouds of ashes are still ascending from the crater. Five thousand dwellings have been destroyed and the Italian Government faces a difficult problem in providing for the homeless.

NAPLES, April 12.—While the news from Mount Vesuvius today is reassuring, the conditions here are such as to make it difficult to realize that conditions are actually better. The wind conditions are blowing from the direction of Naples, carrying the ashes over the city. Toward evening the fall of ashes and cinders here is worse than at any time since the eruption began.

never before had a woman accomplished such a task. There have been a large number of robberies of descent houses, in spite of the efforts of the authorities to protect property. In the excited condition of the population there is some difficulty in preserving order. The closing of a church at Torre Annunziata, which was considered to be unsafe, precipitated a small riot. Provision is being made for the feeding and sheltering of people who have remained in their own towns. It is estimated that 5000 houses have been destroyed.

struck cinders, which the soldiers were shoveling, making a narrow road for the refugees. Our wagon driver begged for completion of his contract to take us to San Giuseppe. We had not the heart to insist, so the rest of the journey to the railroad at Palma, eight miles, was made laboriously on foot for three hours through a shower of cinders. "In many places temporary shelters had been built by the roadside, like children's playhouses. Here women were huddled with their bedding, awaiting the coming of supplies, which they were unable to distribute. The men were largely occupied with shoveling cinders from the stronger roofs and floors into heaps three to six feet deep along the roadside. Many two-wheeled carts loaded with salvage, drawn by donkeys or pushed by peasants, were making their way along, the women with bundles on their heads or carrying poultry. In the square of San Giuseppe was an encampment of soldiers with new tents. Near a destroyed church, in coarse yellow linen shrouds, were the bodies of thirty-three of the 105 persons who lost their lives.

AMERICAN DESCRIBES ERUPTION.

Graphic Picture of Scenes in the Desolated District. NAPLES, April 12.—The following description of the conditions surrounding Mount Vesuvius was written for the Associated Press by Robert Underwood Johnson, associate editor of the Century Magazine: "I had the unexpected opportunity to realize the magnitude of the disaster by personal observation in a trip entirely around Vesuvius. Since I had not been here for twenty years I was not prepared to find the damage, including the destruction of four whole villages.

UMBRELLAS GIVE PROTECTION.

Carried by Neapolitans to Ward Off Showers of Ashes. NAPLES, April 12.—Ashes from Mount Vesuvius were falling everywhere today, but were lessening in quantity. The people, having recovered from the panic of yesterday, are less sullen and downhearted. The presence of King Victor Emmanuel in Naples, which always has a good effect, is being expanded and curling with a profile like a monstrous Cyclopean face. But nothing in mythology gives a suggestion of the fascination of this awful force, presenting the sublime beauty above, but a descent filled with the mysterious malignance of God's underworld.

NO LIFE OR VEGETATION.

From the observatory of Mount Vesuvius, where Director Matteucci is continuing his work in behalf of science and humanity, the scene is one of great impressiveness. To reach the observatory one must walk for miles over hardened but hot lava, covered with sand, until he comes to a point whence nothing can be seen but vast gray reaches, sometimes flat and sometimes gathered into huge mounds, which take on semblances to human faces. Above the heavens are gray like the earth beneath and seem just as hard and immovable. In all this lonely waste there is no sign of life or vegetation and no sound is heard except the low mutterings of the volcano. One seems almost impelled to scream aloud to break the horrible silence of a land seemingly forgotten both by God and man.

ALL ARE ACCOUNTED FOR.

The three nurses of the orphanage are Miss B. C. Astor, Miss E. Bean and Mrs. Edna Baskerville. After the excitement had subsided somewhat Miss Hendricks, the matron, said: "The only cause for the fire seems to have been crossed electric wires so far as I am concerned, but I am not sure. I started in the northwest corner of the building, where there are no flames, and near the roof. As soon as the smoke and flames were discovered the nurses and I went to the basement and saw that none of the children were left inside. There were several wild rumors started that children had jumped from the windows and that some were missing, but they were without foundation. There was nothing but a piano, and the piano was accounted for by the nurses. There are sixty-three inmates of the orphanage, twenty-nine women in the Old Ladies' Home and fifteen babies in the nursery."

KING REBUKES A PRIEST.

The King was deathly pale. To a priest who came to him he asked: "How did you escape?" "I placed myself in safety," replied the priest. "What do you mean?" asked the King. "Realizing the danger, the priest's reply, 'I had left for Nola.' The King flushed with anger. "What you, a minister of God, were not here to share the danger of your people and administer the last sacraments? You did very wrong."

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FEARS FOR OAKLANDERS.

Several Tourists at Naples Are Probably in Great Danger. OAKLAND, April 12.—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Taft, Miss Christie Taft and Miss Dorothy Taft, their daughters, and Miss Sevilla Hayden of this city, are believed to be at Naples and to have passed through some of the dread experiences attending the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. The party called April 1 from Paris and announced their intention to go direct to the Italian seaport. No word since then has been received, and friends of the Tafts and Haydens are alarmed. The trip was undertaken on account of H. C. Taft, who is in ill health.

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CHICAGO, April 12.—Dr. John Alexander Dowie will not retreat to Mexico. He will wage a vigorous legal warfare to regain control of Zion City, and as soon as he considers that he has taken the proper preliminary steps he will descend upon that place and proclaim himself the "only and first apostle." This statement is authorized by Dr. Dowie himself and by the firm of lawyers that represents him. Attorney C. P. Haley made the following statement:

We have advanced and will advance only one condition—the permanent restoration of power, temporal as well as ecclesiastical, and a demand for an absolute retraction and apology. We are preparing a bill in chancery petitioning the courts to set aside the transfer of the property at Zion City made between General Granger, because the instrument was absolutely void. Dowie revoked the power of attorney which he delegated to Volva two days before the illegal transfer was made.

Dowie will not immediately proceed to Zion City, but will remain in his apartments at the Auditorium Annex in this city until every preliminary legal step has been taken and until with all of the power and authority which he possessed when he last left the place.

Despite the positive assertion of Haley, attorneys for both factions were in numerous conferences throughout the day.

The attorneys for Dowie have secured an order from the Postal Department directing that all mail addressed to Dr. Dowie be delivered to his apartments in the Annex. This they consider a very important strategic movement, as the majority of these letters are from members of the church remitting their tithes.

RESCUE WOMEN FROM FLAMES. Female Occupants of Burned Buildings Saved by the Arrival of Policemen. Three policemen heroically rescued two women last night at 4 Brannan place, where they were bewildered amid flame and smoke. Patrolmen Farrell, Sullivan and Draper rushed into the apartment and dragged out Mrs. Anton Salavani and Mrs. Guiseppe Bordini, as they were groping about in an effort to gain an exit to the street and crying for help.

The fire started in the broom factory of T. S. McKenzie, at 743 Brannan street. The flames were discovered by Policeman Hostetter and he immediately sent in an alarm. By the time the Fire Department had responded the flames had spread to four small dwelling-houses in the rear of the factory, including that of the women rescued.

The neighborhood is mostly inhabited by poor people, and it was a sad sight to see them carrying their belongings into the street.

The damage to factory and dwellings amounts to several thousand dollars.

MAXIM GORKY ANNOUNCES HIS MISSION TO AMERICA.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Maxim Gorky gave out a statement today in regard to his health. "I have a slight pulmonary attack," he said, "but it neither causes me inconvenience nor embarrasses me in my work. I have no apprehensions as to my condition."

"I am an enemy of Russia's Government," he continued. "I have been a revolutionist since I was 19 years old, and have no apology to make for my attitude. I came to this country to collect money to help the Russian revolutionary movement. I shall soon celebrate my twentieth anniversary as a revolutionist."

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VIENNA, April 12.—In accordance with instructions from Washington, which were somewhat unexpected, Bellamy Storer himself presented his letters of recall as American Ambassador at an official audience this afternoon.

He will leave on Monday for Paris, where, it is said, he intends to reside in the future.

C. B. Rives is left in charge of the embassy until the arrival of C. S. Francis, the new Ambassador. The disagreeable incident is now considered closed.

Emperor Francis Joseph this afternoon privately received the retiring Ambassador. The Emperor congratulated Storer upon the excellent relations he has established with the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Ministry and assured him that he was leaving many cordial friends in Vienna. The Emperor also expressed his personal regret at Storer's departure.

It is reported that Count Gouchevski is resigning the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is denied. His Serbian policy is endorsed by Emperor Francis Joseph, and this is calculated to make his position stronger than before.

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WANT ALL ASSOCIATES OF THE MUTUAL LIFE ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH CHOATE'S REPLY.

LONDON, April 12.—A meeting of the British policyholders of the Mutual Life Insurance Company has been called for April 20 to consider the reply of Joseph H. Choate of counsel for the company to the representations made in their behalf by A. D. Culliard, a trustee of the Mutual. The reply, which was received this morning, was not satisfactory to those policyholders who were seen today. They were satisfied with the financial condition of the company, but desire particularly the removal of trustees who were closely associated with the McCurdys.

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