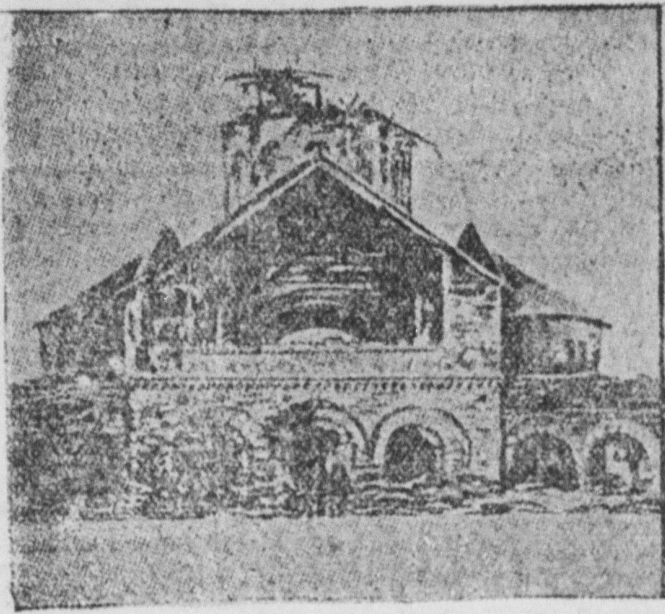


# Views Showing the Devastating Effects of Earthquake and Fire in San Francisco.



THE RUINS OF THE STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH.



A SECTION OF THE CITY DURING THE FIRE.

The eastern section of the country is only now beginning to realize the widespread nature of the San Francisco disaster. The pictures of the wrecked and burning city now coming in tell the story as it was impossible to tell in any other way.

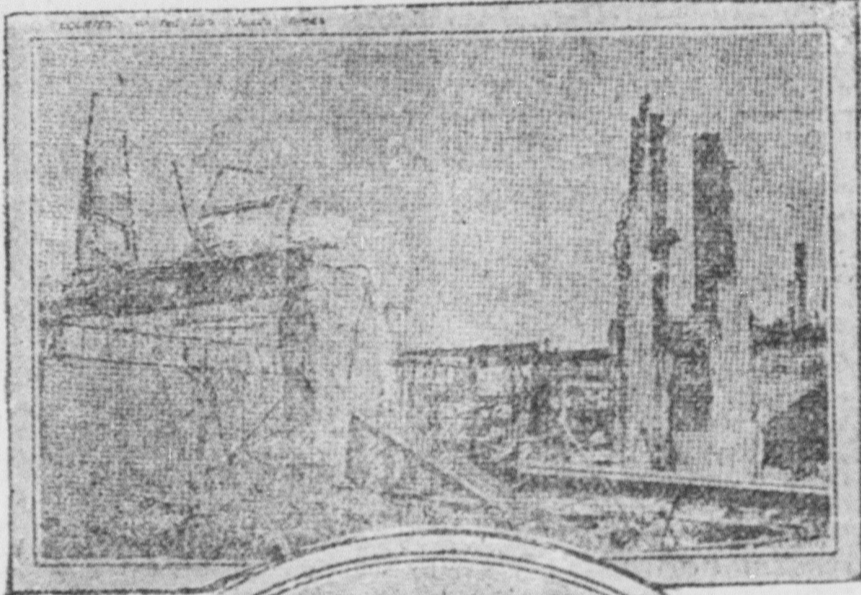
The most tumbled and tangled district in the city is not the southern fringe of Market street, the area where the devastation was widest and the

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Valencia there is a hole ten feet wide. The asphalt is turned up from the centre of this hole like the petals of a flower, and from it comes a stream of clear water. No one can tell whether this stream comes from a broken main or from a brook which used to run down Eighteenth street.

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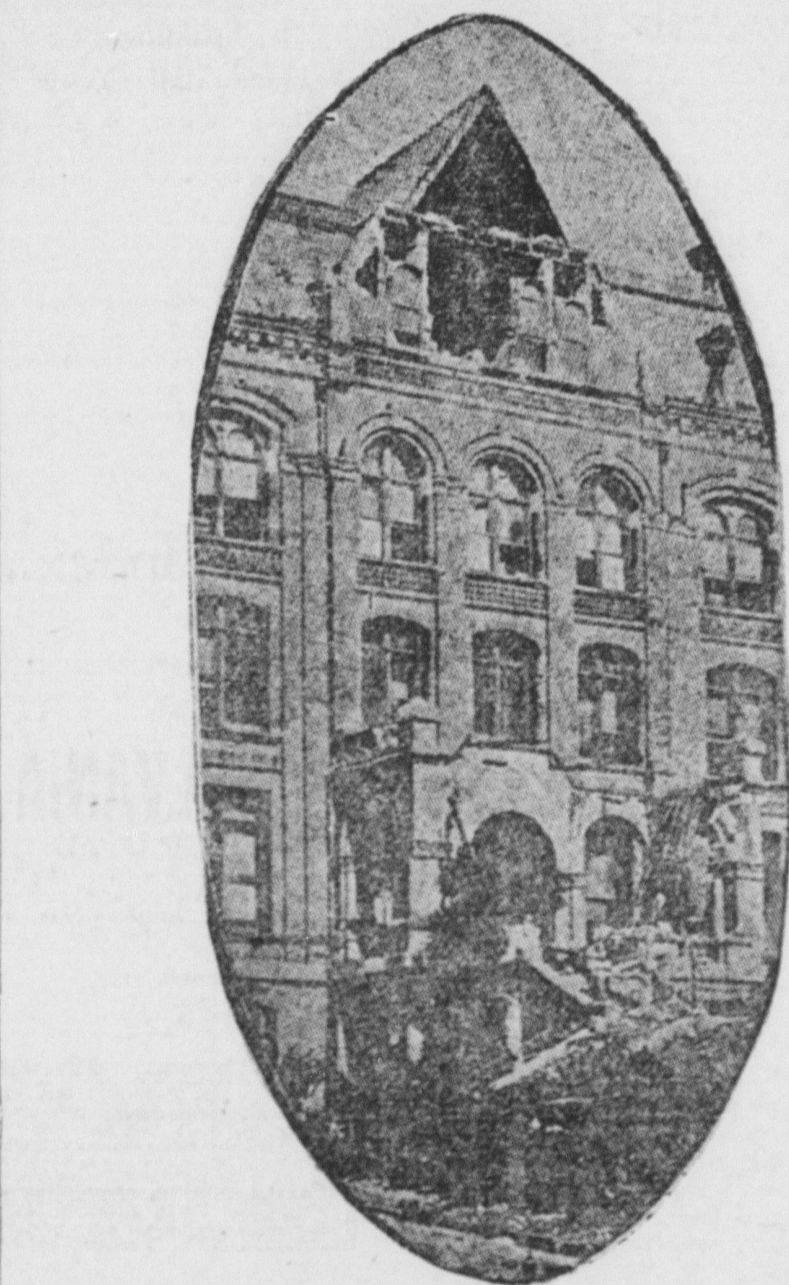
GRACE CHURCH BEFORE THE EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE.

loss of life greatest, but on a little strip between Harrison and Valencia, Seventeenth and Nineteenth streets. It was in this area that the Valencia Hotel sank into the earth. The block between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets and Valencia is twisted out of all appearance of houses. The car tracks at one place run in a wavy line from one side of the curb to the other. The asphalt is broken as though great bubbles had forced their way through it.

At the corner of Eighteenth and Va-

was cleared away it was found that the asphalt pavement before it had bulged upward to make a mound four feet high. The hole into which the foundations sank is filled with water.

The big fire obliterated the old Chinatown forever. Mayor Schmitz has informed Chief of Police Dinan that all of the Chinese now in the city will be collected and placed in and near Fontana's Warehouse, near Fort Mason, and that the new Chinatown would be located at Hunter's Point, on the southern extremity of the county on



FRONT OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, SHOWING DAMAGE DONE BY EARTHQUAKE.

the bay shore. It is several miles distant from the old Chinatown. All Chinese who have left the city and who return to it will be concentrated at the new point.

by a magnificent structure on the Burnham designs. In the water front section alone we will spend \$25,000,000. New wharves and depot will be built, and market street from end to end



MARKET STREET AT CORNER OF FIRST.

will offer two unbroken lines of skyscrapers. Throughout the city improvement will be carried out exactly as Mr. Burnham has advocated for two years.

"We will have a great boulevard and terrace at Twin Peaks, and the several new parks and other beauty spots conceived by the architect now will be constructed. The changes will cost tens of millions, but the result will be that San Francisco will stand as the most beautiful of all cities. I predict that there will be nothing to compare to the new city in beauty and utility. We were too cramped in our business quarters. Now we are going to have plenty of elbow-room, and, besides, we will have a city that will delight the eye. All the old ugliness has gone forever.

"The new San Francisco will be better than the old, as was the case in Boston, Chicago, Seattle, Galveston and Baltimore, but on a much larger scale. Thirty days will see 50,000 men at work in the burned district."

The delivery of telegraphic messages to persons in San Francisco was an impossibility. The messenger service of both the big companies was paralyzed.

### Bells Weaken the Tow F.

Another Italian campanile, only one degree lower in fame than that of Venice, is threatened. This is the great bell tower of the Cathedral of Lecco, one of the loftiest in Italy—about 250 feet. It is also of great antiquity. Its weakness is due to the daily ringing of its enormous bells.

### Gas Displaces Electricity.

It is proposed to dispense with electric light in the streets of Preston, England, and to substitute incandescent gas lamps. Advocates of the change consider that they will get a better light than now at cheaper cost.

### New French Stamp.

The new French penny stamp will be printed in two colors, and will bear, like the other stamp of the Republic, a figure of a woman sowing seed in a field.

### Benedictines in England.

The Benedictines from France, who have settled at Malvern, England, have merely come home again. King Edward, the Confessor, founded a hermitage at Malvern, and after the Norman conquest, in 1066, the hermitage became a Benedictine priory.

### Princess Ena's Title.

King Edward has ordained that Princess Ena of Battenberg, the future Queen of Spain, shall henceforth be styled her royal highness.

### Boers in Mexico.

The Boer colony, established in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, two years ago, is doing well. The colonists are laying up money. They have dispensed with Mexican labor and are doing their own work.

### The Country's Orange Crop.

Last year's production of oranges in this country was 10,000,000 boxes, or probably 1,600,000,000 oranges. That is an allowance of twenty to each inhabitant.

## THE KEYSTONE STATE

### The Latest Pennsylvania News Told in Short Order.

The Montgomery County Commissioners awarded \$250,000 4 per cent. bonds to the Penn Trust Company, of Norristown, at 105, which is equivalent to an interest basis of 3.64 per cent., or a net cash premium of \$12,500. The other bidders were Lawrence Borman & Co., \$10,425; E. V. Kane & Co., \$2000; Dick & Robinson, \$11,030; N. W. Harris, \$7185, and Graham & Co., \$1875. The new loan will be used to write out floating debts of \$260,000, bearing from 5 to 6 per cent. interest. This makes the total bonded debt of the county \$725,000, less \$62,309 in the sinking fund. By the loan just made the commissioners expect to stay off a raise of the tax rate, which has been two mills for about twenty years.

Acting on the recommendations of several Grand Juries the Delaware County directors of the poor appropriated \$2500 for the installation of an electric light plant at the almshouse. Coal oil lamps have heretofore been the only means of lighting, and as many of the inmates are old and infirm the recommendations have been made as a precaution against fire.

Adjutant General Stewart issued general orders from the headquarters of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, announcing that the division encampment will be held at Gettysburg, July 21-28, and the tour of duty of the naval force will be announced later. The Reilly medal will be presented during the encampment to the oldest member of the guard in continuous service at that time.

The State Board of Trade, which was organized at Harrisburg with Vance C. McCormick as president, authorized him to appoint committees, and the following are announced: Constitution and By-Laws—W. H. Stevenson, Pittsburg; W. A. Griffith, Pittsburg; Wilmer Crow, Harrisburg; J. D. Wentz, Washington; Finances—W. R. Brinton, Lancaster; C. E. Geesey, York; J. C. Smith, Harrisburg; Baggage and Passenger Transportation—D. C. Shaw, Pittsburg; F. H. MacIntire, Philadelphia; H. D. Burlingame, Altoona; Interurban Railway—T. D. Harmon, Pittsburg; W. T. Creasy, Catawissa; A. M. Howes, Erie.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Miller, residing a few miles east of Hamburg, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They are 69 and 72 years of age and are still enjoying excellent health. Mr. Miller has spent all his lifetime on the farm now owned by him.

The Senior class of the Yoe High School held its commencement exercises in the High School Building in that village. The graduates were eight in number, four young women and four young men. The graduates are Erwin Cleveland Snyder, Edith Ray Taylor, Earl Lloyd Fidler, Charlotte Snyder, George Alfred Kohler, Jr., Cordelia May Taylor, Chauncey Raymond Knissly and Dora Alberta Dize.

The Chester County Children's Aid Society held its annual meeting in West Chester. Much business of importance was transacted. The treasurer's report shows that the society has paid \$2372.25 for board of children and that there is still \$500 in the treasury. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Jane T. Barnard; vice president, Mrs. Amy Z. Larkin; secretary, Mrs. Lydia B. Walton; treasurer, Mrs. Willie M. Marshall.

Honesty of James Seymour, a railroad brakeman of Freeland, saved \$2000 in money and endorsed checks for a Philadelphia traveling man. The wallet was picked up by the brakeman on the street and returned to the owner. The drummer, who refused to tell his name, gave Seymour \$15.

Street employees at Yorkville, near Pottsville, went on a strike Thursday. They were receiving \$1.25 for a day of ten hours. When they demanded \$1.35 for a day of nine hours the borough authorities refused to pay it.

Reuben Hess, a prominent citizen of Roehmsville, near Bethlehem, died Wednesday a few minutes after an attack of apoplexy.

Prof. F. J. Stettler, for seven years supervising principal of the Slatintor public schools, resigned.

Finding of a human skeleton at Locust Dale has caused considerable excitement in that mining village. The discovery was made by William Schraeder, who was digging in the garden back of his home. The skeleton was three feet below the surface of the soil and covered with lime, which indicates that the person or persons who buried the body evidently intended that all evidence of a crime should be destroyed. The building occupied by Schraeder has been standing at least fifty years and has been occupied by a dozen different families.

Governor Pennypacker issued a requisition on Governor Pardee, of California, for the return to Pennsylvania of L. H. Mitchell, who is wanted in Luzerne County to answer a charge of conspiracy in connection with a mining deal.

Final details were arranged whereby the Bethlehem Foundry and Machine Company, of that place, leased the Nazareth Foundry and Machine Works at Nazareth for a long term of years. The latter concern will be operated as a branch of the local works. At present more than one hundred mechanics are employed at the Nazareth plant. This force will be more than doubled.

With twelve inches of snow at Mount Pocono the residents are enjoying sleighing. The Pocono Mountain region resembles midwinter, much to the disgust of the hotel men, who for the past two weeks have been getting things in order for the summer season. Freezing weather prevails. G. A. Turner, a mail carrier from Cresco to Canandensis, froze his fingers while on his route.

Oseola Odd Fellows and their wives and daughters celebrated the eighty-seventh anniversary of the founding of the organization with an entertainment and banquet. Rev. S. T. Lewis, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, made an address.

A fire which broke out on the Welsh Mountain has destroyed 125 acres of valuable timber land. For a time the fire was dangerously close to Shirktown and Churchtown. The blaze was started by sparks from a locomotive on the Downingtown and Lancaster branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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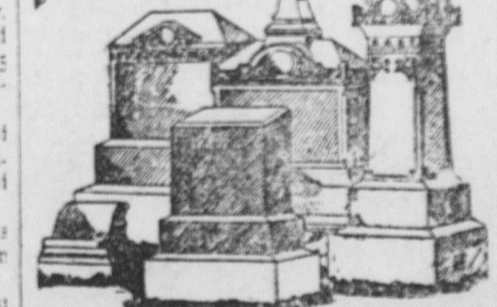
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