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CLARA BARTON ACTIVE.

Red Cross Heroine Will Establish Railroad Hospital Car Service.

Although Over Eighty Years Old She Has Started in with Great Energy to Organize New Relief Work to Cope with Wrecks.

Clara Barton, the famous Red Cross leader, has just given new evidence that she is one of the most remarkable women the world has ever known.

The portrait here presented is of special interest, inasmuch as it is the only likeness which Clara Barton has permitted to be made in many years.

WORKED IN CIVIL AND FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WARS.

Clara Barton, who is entering with so much enthusiasm into a new mis-

another New England girl Clara Barton, when thrown on her own resources, took up school teaching as a means of livelihood, and when she was obliged to abandon this because of failing eyesight, she managed to secure a position in the Patent Office at Washington, and here she continued her service until the outbreak of the Civil War disclosed to her a lifework.

WAS WITH THE VANGUARD.

In the Franco-Prussian war Miss Barton was the first person to enter Strasburg after the fall of that city, and was instrumental in organizing the relief. She performed a similar service at Paris, which she entered with the vanguard at the conclusion of the siege.

Mrs. John A. Logan (Mary Simmeron Cunningham Logan) who appears with Clara Barton in this picture, is a native of Missouri, but was educated in Kentucky and married John A. Logan in 1855. Since his death she has

ERUPTION OF KRAKATOA.

Volcanic Explosions in East Indies the Most Terrific in History.

Vast Volumes of Ashes Blown Twenty Miles Above Earth - Detonations Heard Three Thousand Miles Distant.

By Sir Robert Ball.

The following description by Sir Robert Ball of the eruption of Krakatoa will be read with special interest at the present time.

Until the year 1883 few had ever heard of Krakatoa. It was not inhabited, but the natives from the surrounding shores of Sumatra and Java used occasionally to draw their canoes up on its beach while they roamed through the jungle in search of the wild fruits.

In 1883 Krakatoa suddenly sprang into notoriety. Insignificant though it had hitherto seemed, the little island was soon to compel by its tones of thunder the whole world to pay it instant attention.

At first the eruption did not threaten to be of any serious type. In fact, the good people of Batavia, so far from being terrified at what was in progress in Krakatoa, thought the display was such an attraction that they chartered a steamer and went forth for a pleasant picnic to the island.

As the summer of this dread year advanced, the vigor of Krakatoa steadily increased. The noises became more and more vehement. These were presently audible on shores ten miles distant, and then twenty miles distant, until the great thunders of the volcano, now so rapidly developing, assumed the character of a vast column of steam pouring forth with terrific noise from a profound opening about thirty yards in width.

The development of the volcanic energy proceeded, and gradually the terror of the inhabitants of the surrounding coasts rose to a climax. July had ended before the manifestations of Krakatoa had attained their full violence.

On the night of Sunday, August 26, 1883, the blackness of the dust clouds, now much thicker than ever in the Straits of Sunda and adjacent parts of Sumatra and Java, was only occasionally illumined by lurid flashes from the volcano.

This supreme effort it was which produced the mightiest noise that, so far as we can ascertain, has ever been heard on this globe. It must have been indeed a loud noise which could travel from Krakatoa to Batavia and preserve its vehemence over so great a distance; but we should form a very inadequate conception of the energy of the eruption of Krakatoa if we thought that its sounds were heard by those merely a hundred miles off.

Westward from Krakatoa stretches the wide expanse of the Indian Ocean. On the opposite side from the Straits of Sunda lies the island of Rodriguez, the distance from Krakatoa being almost 3,000 miles. It has been proved by evidence which cannot be doubted that the thunder of the great volcano attracted the attention of an intelligent coastguard on Rodriguez, who carefully noted the character of the sounds and the time of their occur-

rence. He had heard them just four hours after the actual explosion, for this is the time the sound occupied on its journey.

If Vesuvius were vigorous enough to emit a roar like Krakatoa, how great would be the consternation of the world! Such a report might be heard by King Edward, at Windsor, and by the Czar, at Moscow. It would astonish the German Emperor and all his subjects. It would penetrate to the seclusion of the Sultan at Constantinople. It would have extended to the sources of the Nile, near the equator. It would have been heard by Mohammedan pilgrims at Mecca. It would have reached the ears of exiles in Siberia.

Among the many other incidents connected with this explosion, I may specially mention the wonderful system of divergent ripples that started in our atmosphere from the point at which the eruption took place. The initial impetus was so tremendous that these waves spread for hundreds and thousands of miles. They diverged, in fact, until they put a mighty girdle round the earth, on a great circle of which Krakatoa was the pole.



Miss Otilie Guenther, who was recently given a private audience by Pope Pius X. is a Chicago girl and a daughter of Otto Guenther of the firm of Guenther, Bradford & Co.

eruption. The waves passed over our heads, the air in our streets, the air in our houses, trembled from the volcanic impulse. The very oxygen supplying our lungs was responding also to the supreme convulsion which took place 10,000 miles away.

Such was the energy with which these vibrations were initiated at Krakatoa, that even when the waves thus arising had converged to the point diametrically opposite in South America their vigor was not yet ex-

AWFUL BALLOON VOYAGE.

German Military Aeronauts Safe Only After a Terrible Experience.

War Airship Was Driven Five Hundred Miles Over Baltic Sea and Dropped in Swedish Snow Bank—Barely Averted Drowning.

The progress of balloon experiments in the German army has just received a severe setback by the fearful experience of two members of the Aero-static Corps, named Wolf and Brand, who have returned to Berlin after having been given up for dead, following a balloon ascension, during which they completely disappeared.

UNABLE TO MAKE DESCENT. The two balloonists, caught in the gale in the upper air, were blown at terrific speed for three days, unable to make a descent without being dashed to death.

As the wind seemed to slacken, the balloonists opened their valve, preparing to descend. What was their horror upon seeing as they dropped from the clouds that the open sea was beneath them. They tried to shut the valve, but were only partly successful.

When within a few hundred feet of the water, the valve was closed by Wolff, who climbed up to the cordage surrounding the gas bag to do it. But the balloon still dropped nearer the sea. Finally desperate, the balloonists climbed into the balloon's rigging and cut the basket from under them.

CLUNG TO CORDAGE FOR HOURS. After clinging for hours to the cordage, thousands of feet in the air over the sea, the two soldiers made out the land. As soon as it was safe, the valve was opened again, and the balloon was allowed to descend slowly.

"That there tree, Mirandy, reminds me amazingly uv a jay-bird." "Look-a-here, Si, yew're gettin' dippy. Haow on airth kin a tree fallen across th' road put yew in mind uv a jay-bird?"

"'Becuz, Mirandy, it hez blew daown Giddap, Nance."

THE STATE OF SEQUOIA.

The Name of the Originator of the Cherokee Indian Alphabet to be Honored.

The decision of the convention, which recently met at Muskogee, Indian Territory, upon a name for the new state to be added to the Union brings a total of thirty-three states which have adopted Indian titles for state names.



THE HALF-BREED SEQUOIA.

Christianity was first taught among the Cherokees. It is to Sequoia that the Cherokee nation owes its splendid system of schools. While in search of a lost band of Cherokee Indians in 1844, Sequoia lost his life. California has already honored him by naming the "Big Tree" of that state "Sequoia gigantea" after him.

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MISS CLARA BARTON AND MRS. JOHN A. LOGAN.

slonary work, was born in Oxford, Mass., in 1830. During the Civil War she did relief work on the battlefields and organized the search for missing men for which Congress appropriated the sum of \$15,000.

engaged in literary work, and has resided in the city of Washington, making her home in a quaint old house filled with mementoes of her hero husband.

COLONEL HENDERSON'S POEM.

Several years ago the late Col. D. B. Henderson wrote a poem entitled "Yes or No?" which slumbered until the other day, when it was read in Des Moines at a meeting held in the famous Iowan's memory.

Is there a mentor strong and good That always indicates the road Where we should go, That tells us with unerring voice Which of the words should be our choice— The Yes or No?

SQUIBS

Recent events in Zion City make it apparent that Elijah the third has gone up almost as effectually as did the original.

Gifts from all sovereigns. Conspicuous in the glittering array are the amethyst cut in the form of a pansy, an inch and one-half square, the gift of Miss Barton's personal friend, the Grand Duchess of Baden; the Serbian Red Cross decoration presented by Queen Natalie, the Gold Cross of Remembrance bestowed by the Grand Duke and Duchess of Baden, a medal presented by the Queen of Italy, an English decoration pinned on Miss Barton's dress by Queen Victoria; the Iron Cross of Germany presented by the Emperor and Empress, the decoration of the Order of Melusine presented by the Prince of Jerusalem, Cyprus and Armenia, and the brooch and pendant of diamonds, the gift of the people of Johnstown, in recognition of the great service rendered by Miss Barton after the famous flood.

Miss Barton's father was in boyhood one of the soldiers of "Mad Anthony" Wayne, and Clarissa Harlowe Barton, as her name is inscribed in the family Bible, came to the Bay State home as a human Christmas present. Like many