

## PEOPLE WILD WITH FRIGHT

### Earthquake In India Causes Great Loss of Life and Property.

#### TROOPS CRUSHED TO DEATH

#### A Number of Europeans, Including Children, Among Those That Lose Their Lives.

The Kangra valley, a district north of Lahore, having an area of over 8,700 square miles, and a population of 800,000 people, is believed to have been devastated by the earthquake. The town of Kangra, with a population of over 50,000, is reported to have been reduced to ruins. The loss of life must be enormous, but no authentic details are obtainable.

Terrible news is at hand from Dharmasala, 400 men of the Seventh Gurkha regiment, 20 men of the Second, and 50 men of the First battalion of the First Gurkhas, were buried alive, and it is impossible to rescue them. The mortality among the Gurkha troops is ascribed to their occupying a new stone barracks, which was thrown up from the ground two feet by the movement of the earth, causing its total collapse.

There were many women, children and camp-followers in the building, and they are among the victims. The survivors seemed to be paralyzed by the suddenness and awfulness of the catastrophe, and for some time made no attempt to rescue the buried.

When the masses of masonry were removed more than 200 persons were extricated. Many of these were terribly crushed. Nine more Europeans are to be added to the death roll at Dharmasala.

The shock was so sudden that occupants had no time to leave their houses. Some perished on the thresholds.

The movement of the earth, was accompanied by a roaring sound resembling thunder. Unofficial reports state that the number of deaths in the area affected by the earthquake exceed 2,000.

A private telegram reports that the town of Palampore, with 20,000 inhabitants, was levelled to the ground. Not a single house escaped damage in the town of Sialkot.

#### TOWN ALMOST WIPED OUT

#### Eighty Per Cent of Inhabitants of Dharmasala, India, Dead.

It is reported here that 80 per cent of the inhabitants of Dharmasala, the hill station, 95 miles northwest of Simla, were killed, as a result of recent earthquake there. The government has dispatched from Lahore for tents, food, blankets, doctors, nurses, etc., for the sufferers at Dharmasala. The earthquake was severely felt at Kasuloh, but no lives were lost, and the Pasteur Institute escaped. A second shock at Simla Tuesday evening, caused such a panic that the residents rushed from their houses and slept all night in the open.

A dispatch to a news agency from Calcutta says Lady Curzon, formerly Miss Leiter, of Chicago, wife of the viceroy of India, had a narrow escape during the earthquake at Simla. A massive chimney fell through the roof and ceiling into the room above that in which she was sleeping.

#### WATER BOILS IN CRATER

#### La Soufriere Again Shows Signs of Disturbance.

In view of the fact that earthquake shocks were experienced on the islands of St. Christopher, Dominica and Antigua and at Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe and of the prevalence of intense heat at Kingston, the chief of police and two constables, April 3, made the ascent of La Soufriere.

They found the area of the lake diminished, and met with water, green and boiling, on the north side of the lake, steam rising from all over the lake, for the first time since the eruptions of 1902. Steam was also exuding from a large creek in the lip of the crater, and from numerous fissures inside the crater.

#### MORMONS SUSTAIN SMITH

#### Apostles Taylor and Cowley, Accused of Polygamy, Also Sustained.

Joseph F. Smith was sustained as prophet, seer and revelator of the Mormon church by unanimous vote of the members at the opening session of the seventy-fifth annual conference.

When a vote was taken to sustain the 12 apostles two hands were raised in dissent. One of the dissenters rose to explain his vote, but was not permitted to speak. President Smith merely saying that he could present his objection to the proper authorities.

The members who dissented afterward said that they desired to protest against sustaining such officers of the church as live in polygamy.

Among the apostles sustained were Taylor and Cowley. They had been accused of living in polygamy. Senator Smoot was not present, nor were Apostles Taylor and Cowley.

Turkey is preparing for a struggle, expecting to have to fight for existence against the European powers.

#### WIFE AND BAIKNS CREMATED

#### Husband and Father Arrested, Charged With the Crime.

The charred remains of Mrs. W. J. Thompson and her two children were found in the ruins of their burned home at Shadwell, Albemarle county, Va. The husband of the woman was arrested on the charge of murdering the three.

Shadwell is near Charlottesville, where a former Mayor, J. Samuel McCue, was recently executed for wife murder.

## DISASTER IN MADRID

### Hundreds of Workmen Crushed by Collapse of Reservoir.

Disorders occurred in Madrid, Spain among workmen as a result of the collapse of the new reservoir in the city, when 400 workmen were killed or wounded. Carrying black flags, 5,000 workmen made a demonstration near the scene of the disaster. The police charged the crowd and a riot followed, in which many on both sides were injured. Many victims of the disaster were recovered, and the work of rescue has not yet been completed. Ten of those who were rescued alive have gone mad.

Underneath the foundations of the reservoir were water pipes used to supply the palace and old Madrid. It is stated that this was the cause of the subsidence, and not the surface of the ground. The vault was built of cement with iron girders, as were also the supporting columns. The first fall caused all the pillars to bend and the end of the iron work to stretch, resulting in a general and uniform collapse.

An exact estimate of the casualties is still impossible. It is stated that there were 236 men in the lower part of the reservoir, all of whom were killed. The structure which collapsed was a huge quadrilateral one, 350 by 150 meters, built on arches. As the greater part of the debris is under water the work of extricating the victims is difficult.

The central committee of the Social revolutionary party has drawn up a document containing the main points of its program and of this being printed for circulation in all parts of European Russia. The main point of the program is the establishment of a democratic republic on the ruins of the autocracy.

The inside history of the movement for the freedom of the orthodox church from the bureaucracy of the holy synod shows that it owed its initiation to President Witte. At a meeting of the committee of ministers Mr. Witte spoke of the necessity of keeping alive the faith among the ignorant, poverty-stricken millions, as religion was the only compensation for their sad lot. Without faith, he said, the foundation of the whole Russian state would be destroyed. The procurator general of the holy synod tried to block the movement, but failed.

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## RUSSIAN FLEET SIGHTED

### Passes Singapore on Its Way to Meet Togo.

#### TOGO BETWEEN TWO SQUADRONS

#### Big War Vessels of Russian Fleet Not Seen—Ships from Vladivostok May Attack Rear.

Fifty-one ships of Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's second Pacific squadron passed Singapore on the 8th inst. The most important fighting vessels of the squadron, including the battleships Kniaz Souvaroff, Alexander III, Borodino and Orel, with their complement of cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers, etc., did not arrive, and their whereabouts is unknown. The fleet, steaming slowly at eight knots an hour, four abreast, presented a striking spectacle. The vessels, however, bore evidence of the effects of their long sea-voyage, and at the water line showed seaweed a foot long. The squadron was led by a large cruiser, followed by three converted former Hamburg-American line vessels. Then came the cruisers, colliers and battleships. The colliers were mostly in the center of the fleet. The decks of the warships were coal-laden, while the colliers and the former Hamburg-American liners were light of draft. The fleet passed seven miles out. The Russian consul visited and gave dispatches to a torpedo boat.

The fleet did not stop to receive dispatches or to consult with the consul. Subsequently the consul visited Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's ship, talking to him from a launch. The consul gave the fleet the first news of the fall of Mukden.

There is reason to believe that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's entrance into the China sea has been followed by orders for the cruisers Gromobol, Bessia and Bogaty, which have been ready for some time at Vladivostok, to put to sea. Whether it is the intention to send them south immediately or to hold them in the vicinity of Vladivostok is not known. Their appearance outside the roadstead of Vladivostok would constitute a potential threat against Admiral Togo's rear, which will compel the retention in or dispatch of a number of heavy fighting ships to Japanese waters.

Thus Admiral Togo seems virtually to be placed between two fires. From Penang a report says that a Japanese scouting party had been sighted there. There were 12 Japanese vessels and they are supposed to have kept a good distance ahead of the Russian fleet.

Strikers Capture Trains. Dispatches from the Caucasus paint the railway situation there in alarming colors. The authorities, it is represented, are afraid to run trains at night lest they be wrecked. Striking section hands seize trains and travel up and down the line, forcing other employes to cease work.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS. People fled from a district in Silesia where there have been many cases of spotted fever.

Baron Suyematsu, Japan's former minister of the interior, has declared his nation will press the war until Russia is willing to pay a fair indemnity.

Andrew Carnegie gave Miami University, Oxford, O., \$40,000 for a new library. The condition attached is that the college raise a like sum for the maintenance of the library.

It is known that Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford left an estate valued at \$7,000,000, of which \$3,125,000 is to go for legacies and bequests, and a residue of not less than \$3,875,000, to Stanford university.

Charles H. Sanford of Cincinnati, has been made defendant in a \$50,000 breach of promise suit by Miss Ella W. Farnham, of Chicago, who alleges in her petition that the Cincinnati man promised to marry her several years ago, but had wedded another.

J. G. Phelps Stokes, multi-millionaire and member of one of New York's most prominent families, is engaged to a young Jewish writer who formerly worked in a cigar factory.

The Lehigh Valley has placed orders for 5,000 tons of steel rails, the Philadelphia & Reading for 40,000 tons, and the "Sea" railroad for 5,000 tons. Several other small lots have also been ordered aggregating with the larger lots, about 25,000 tons.

Securities Case is at Rest. After having carefully considered the opinion recently handed down by the Supreme Court in the Northern Securities case, counsel for the Hamilton interests have decided not to demand another hearing. The litigation regarding the distribution of assets is thus ended.

Will Be Hanged. The Supreme Court of Nebraska has denied a new trial to Frank Barkar, who killed his brother and his brother's wife that he might get possession of their farm, and thus be able to offer a home to a young woman he had asked to marry him. He will hang.

Many Killed in Earthquake. A message from Calcutta says: Eight natives were killed during the earthquakes at Mussoree, northwest provinces. Nine Europeans were killed at Dharmasala. They were: Mrs. Robinson, wife of the colonel commanding the troops there and her two daughters. Mrs. Holderness, Capt. Muscroft and four members of the Indian civil service. Seventy natives were killed and many injured.

Operators Sign Mining Scale. The threatened strike of the soft coal mines in the Central Pennsylvania field has been averted, the operators granting the miners' demands. The scale calls for 62 cents a ton and 27 cents a ton for machine mining. Skilled laborers will be paid \$2.25 to \$2.75 a day and laborers from \$1.75 to \$2.05 a day. The men will resume work at once.

Dr. L. R. Smith has been appointed a pension examining surgeon at Greensburg, Pa.

## DECREASE IN FATALITIES

### Report on Railway Accidents Shows Many Killed and Hurt.

A report of the railroad accidents in the United States during the months of October, November and December, 1904, as compiled by the Interstate Commerce Commission shows that in the quarter 5 passengers and 189 employes were killed, and 1,439 passengers and 1,883 employes injured, a total of 242 persons killed and 3,228 injured in train accidents. Other accidents to passengers and employes not the result of collisions or derailments during the months bring the total number of casualties up to 14,378—951 killed and 14,427 injured.

The report indicates a decrease of 175 killed and 624 injured, as compared with the last preceding quarter. Of the total number of 53 passengers killed in train accidents, 29 were killed in one collision between a passenger train and a freight train. The total number of collisions and derailments in the quarter was 2,350, the financial damage aggregating \$2,406,081.

The number of employes killed in coupling and uncoupling cars in the quarter was 71—12 more than in the preceding three months.

TWO MEN KILLED IN WRECK. The Steubenville Accommodation on C. and P. Crashes Into Freight.

Two trainmen were killed and a third injured in a wreck on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad at Costonia, O. The Steubenville accommodation, eastbound, was struck by extra freight No. 7241, head-on. The engine of the passenger train was derailed, and went over an embankment. The cars of both trains were badly damaged. No passengers were injured. The dead are: Edward Fuller, of Wellsville, O., engineer, passenger train, H. C. Ewing, of Mansfield, O., fireman, passenger train.

The injured trainman is: M. C. McIntire, of Cleveland, brakeman passenger train.

The freight train was running at a much higher rate of speed than the passenger, and the nature of the country there is such that the engineer of neither train could see the other until the collision was inevitable. Engineer Fuller and Fireman Ewing attempted to escape by jumping, but were carried along with the locomotive when it went over the embankment.

UNSIGNED BANK NOTES. Decision of Supreme Court Makes These Notes Good.

Information at the Treasury department that the National bank notes without the signatures of the proper officials of the banks to whom the notes were issued were being circulated in Western Pennsylvania has caused a stir among the officials of the express companies under whose care and supervision these bank notes left the Treasury for their destination.

It is understood these notes bear evidence that they have been in a fire and are believed to be part of those supposed to have been consumed in a recent burning of a mail car on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad near Connellsville.

The Supreme court has held that unsigned notes as issued to the National banks are the "promises to issue" of the Federal government secured by bonds deposited before the notes are issued and that the signatures are not necessary to make them negotiable.

Gives \$50,000 to Knox College. The authorities of Knox college at Galesburg, Ill., announced a gift of \$50,000 by Andrew Carnegie to that institution for a new science building.

CABLE BRIEFS. Ambassador Meyer has left Paris for St. Petersburg, to assume his new duties as Ambassador to Russia.

Emperor Joseph has left Budapest for Vienna. There is no prospect of an early formation of a Hungarian Cabinet.

Frank Stevens, one of the two Americans injured in an automobile accident near Monte Carlo, April 5 is dead. Stevens' companion, Louis Hay, is recovering.

Emperor William has arrived at Naples on the steamer Hamburg amidst the booming of cannon and ringing hurrahs from thousands. He was welcomed by the Duke of Aosta and will see the King Thursday.

Hans Bierman, editor of the Oldenburg Residenzblatt, has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment for accusing Franz Rustratt II, Minister of Public Worship, Education and Justice of Oldenburg, of gambling, and alleging that he was not fit to superintend the clergy, schools and courts.

Santo Domingo Accepts Terms. A dispatch to Washington from Minister Dawson announces that President Morales has accepted the terms for collection of the revenues of Santo Domingo, especially regarding the salary of \$500 a month to be paid Supt. Colton. It is suggested, however, that Colton go to Santo Domingo before the other collectors and arrange with the Dominican government for their salaries.

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## POLICE FORBID FUNERAL

### Cossacks Disperse Crowds of Angry Polish Workmen.

#### RAID ON REVOLUTIONARIES

#### A General Upheaval is Expected in St. Petersburg After the Russian Easter.

In anticipation of the funeral of a girl who died of wounds received in the fighting in Dalka street, Warsaw, last Sunday, workmen of all the factories in the northern part of the city left work and crowded Elekorbah and Leszno streets. The police, fearing a hostile demonstration, forbade the funeral and summoned Cossacks, who, using their knouts and swords freely, succeeded in dispersing the gathering.

Owing to the closing of the University of Warsaw, 1,600 students were dismissed. All students whose conscription was postponed during their university year, will be compelled to serve now.

A non-striking workman at the gas works, whom strikers had condemned to death, was shot and severely wounded in Wolska street, by a workman, who escaped.

The police and military made a house-to-house visitation in the suburb of Wola Tuesday night, where they arrested 14 persons and discovered great quantities of revolutionary proclamations.

Prospects of a general upheaval of the city of St. Petersburg and country with the advent of spring increase daily. Evidence accumulates that the radical forces are acting in unison, awaiting a signal, which it is generally believed will be given shortly after the Russian Easter.

Terrorists are showing great activity, and reports from all over the country prove that the workmen who, in many cases, have been formulating petty demands, which are no sooner granted than they are succeeded by others, are acting under instructions from the revolutionary leaders, who are only biding their time, the employers admit it is impossible to continue their businesses, and some of them have already shut down. The people are plainly becoming panicky, and the authorities also cannot conceal their alarm.

FATAL EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA. Serious Loss of Life and Great Damage to Buildings.

A violent earthquake has occurred accompanied by serious loss of life and great damage to public and other buildings. The town hall is almost razed and the cathedral and Juma Masjid, one of the finest mosques in India, are seriously injured. Other big buildings are cracked and fissured. Many houses in the native quarter collapsed.

At Mussoree, eleven earthquake shocks were experienced in one day. The first was continued for three minutes. It was impossible to stand without support. The left wing of the Savoy hotel entirely collapsed, the new Catholic church was wrecked and every house in the place damaged. The Mall cracked in five places. One woman was killed and many natives injured. Reports from the Debra Dun and Rajpur districts show extensive damage has been done.

INDIANS ON WARPATH. Shooting Down Mexicans and Devastating Country.

John St. Clair, a trustworthy prospector, has returned from the Yaqui country, near Ures, Sonora, Mexico, and he reports that the Yaqui Indians are still on the warpath. He says that Malpuche, an old chief, is at the head of a band of 50 bucks, and is devastating the country. While going from Ures to his camp in the mountains, St. Clair heard firing and ran into what had been an Indian ambush. He found two dead Mexicans, who had been killed only a few minutes before he reached the place, he says.

CHICAGO ELECTS DEMOCRAT. City Committed to Policy of Public Ownership.

The Republican party met defeat in a memorable effort to capture the majority of Chicago. As a direct result the city is officially committed to the policy of the quickest possible cessation of private franchises for public utilities. Municipal ownership is especially threatening street car lines.

After winning successively four remarkable biennial fights of independence against the regular Republican party organization, John Maynard Harlan, son of Associate Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme court, was loser as Republican candidate for mayor. The victor is Judge Edward F. Dume, Democrat.

Russian Troops Go Toward India. The Times of India authentically says Russian troops have replaced those of the Ameer of Bokhara at all posts on the Upper Oxus, and that 4,000 men have been detached from the Merv garrison as a permanent addition to the Kushk and Murghab river force.

Sues Nephew for \$1,200,000. Former Judge Samuel L. Bronson of New Haven, Conn., who was the Democratic governor of Connecticut in 1900, has been made defendant in a suit for \$1,200,000 damages, brought by his aunt, Miss Susan Bronson of Waterbury, who alleges her nephew has not rendered a proper accounting of her business entrusted to him.

A mob at Fulton, Ky., twice attempted to lynch three negroes in jail there charged with killing Officer Barber.

## ARTILLERY DEPOT BLOWN UP

### Man Exploded Bomb at Harbin, Killing Himself and 75 Others.

Seventy-five persons including four artillerymen and 40 Chinese coolies, were killed by the terrific explosion of a bomb in the artillery depot in Harbin, Manchuria. The man who caused the explosion was also killed.

The entire laboratory, a huge establishment, was wrecked and 10,000,000 projectiles were destroyed—2,000 packing cases containing 5,000 each. Millions of other projectiles not yet completed were made useless.

Boston Wool Market. Since the strong closing of the London wool sales, more confidence appears on the part of dealers in the wool market. The foreign wools are firm. Leading quotations follow: Ohio and Pennsylvania—XX and above, 23¢@34¢; X, 30¢@31¢; No. 1, 38¢@37¢; No. 2, 37¢@38¢; fine unwashed, 24¢@25¢; quarter blood, unwashed, 30¢@31¢; three-eighths blood, 30¢@31¢; half blood, 29¢@30¢; unwashed delaine, 27¢@28¢; unmerchantable, 29¢@30¢; fine washed delaine, 36½¢@37¢; Michigan—Fine unwashed, 20¢@21¢; quarter blood, unwashed, 29¢@30¢; three-eighths blood, 30¢; half blood, 28¢@29¢; unwashed delaine, 25¢@27¢.

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Three Men Killed by Nitro-Glycerin. A small tank used for the storage of nitro-glycerin exploded at the dynamite manufacturing plant of H. H. Thomas six miles from Bay City, Mich. An Indian, 40 years old, George Godfrey of Kawkawin, and George Uhlbricht of Auburn were blown to pieces.

Afterdamp Caused Explosion. Afterdamp, due to an explosion of blasting powder, set off by persons as yet unknown, caused the death of 43 miners at Joseph Leiter's coal mine at Zeigler, Ill., according to the verdict of a coroner's jury, as returned.

Calls for \$27,000,000. Secretary Shaw issued a call upon the national bank depositories of the treasury throughout the country for payment into the treasury of \$27,000,000. Under the terms of the Secretary's call a part of this money must be paid May 15 and this July 1.

Coal Land Purchased. The D. E. Mitchell farm at West Alexander, Pa., comprising 10,200 acres of valuable coal land, was sold April 5, through R. A. Whiteside of Pittsburg to an eastern syndicate headed by J. V. Thompson, for \$50 an acre.

Palace on Wheels. The most expensive and luxurious private car ever constructed is building at the Chicago works of the Pullman company for W. K. Vanderbilt. When finished it will cost Mr. Vanderbilt, \$50,000.

NEWS NOTES. On his trip, President Roosevelt made speeches in Kansas, Indian territory and Texas.

Lord Milner, retiring governor of the Transvaal, sailed for Great Britain.

Russia's plans for the reconstruction of her navy include the building of 10 battleships and 39 armored cruisers, besides torpedo boats, destroyers, submarines and mine boats.

The report of the betrothal of King Alfonso of Spain to Princess Patricia of Connaught is officially declared in London to be unfounded.

An eastbound passenger and express train on the Lehigh Valley railroad ran into a derailed car of a freight train at Valois, near Seneca lake. The engineer of the freight train was killed and the fireman badly hurt.

Ralph Voorhees, of New Jersey, has donated \$100,000 to the American Tract Society.

Portable Wireless Service. During his hunting trip in Colorado, President Roosevelt will keep in constant touch with Secretary Loeb and his official staff at Glenwood. This will be accomplished by means of the wireless telegraph under the supervision of the military arm of the government, where the receiving station will be located on top of Lookout Mountain. Two wires will be strung temporarily up Lookout Mountain and connected with the local lighting system which will furnish current for operating the induction coils. Messages will be telephoned to and from the hotel where Secretary Loeb will be located.

Boxer Movement Not Alarming. Russia has been informed by the United States that so far as the American minister at Peking, Mr. Conner, has been able to find out, the reported anti-foreign movements in China are not unusual in extent or character. The Russian government recently requested Secretary Hay to inquire into this matter.

Will Increase Union Pacific Stock. Official announcement was made that a meeting of the Union Pacific Railroad company stockholders will be held at Salt Lake City, Utah, May 5, for the purpose of considering and acting upon a proposed amendment of the articles of incorporation of the company increasing its authorized capital stock by the amount of \$100,000,000 and of authorizing the issue of such additional stock.

The Whiteside hotel at Morrison, Ill., was burned. Loss \$50,000.

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