

THOUSANDS SLAIN BY EARTHQUAKES

Devastation Throughout Sicily and Calabria Is Complete.

MESSINA REDUCED TO RUIN

Tidal Waves Rise Over That City and Catania—Reggio in Calabria Also Destroyed—People Flee to Mountain Caves.

SCENE OF EARTHQUAKE.

Sicily is the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea, being a triangle 185 miles from east to west and 120 miles from north to south. Its area is 27,000 square miles and its population in 1904 was estimated at 2,647,000.

Injured, who were so stupefied by terror that they seemed unable to realize what had happened, simply saying that it had come. Five steamers left Catania for Messina to assist in removing the injured from that place, who are reported to number thousands.

Tidal Wave Sinks 500 Boats.

At Catania the panic-stricken people, fearing new shocks, absolutely refused to enter their houses and are camping on the squares.

Whole Villages Disappear.

It is reported that the villages of Pato and Gazirri, adjoining Messina, have disappeared. The effects of the earthquake were aggravated through an explosion of gas. The flames swept along several streets, adding terror upon terror.

People Live in Caves.

In the mountainous regions inland the population has taken refuge in grottoes and caves, where peasants, priests, soldiers and persons of gentle birth are living in common. They sleep on the ground and fire-burn to keep off wild animals.

WEEPING CROWDS IN CHURCHES.

Processions were organized and soon all the churches were filled with weeping crowds imploring divine mercy. Cardinal Nava, Bishop of Catania, exhorted the people to be calm. He promised that the body of St. Agatha should be carried in procession. St. Agatha is regarded as the special deliverer for all scourges and according to history the pious inhabitants of Catania lived the course of the lava stream in 1669, when a fearful eruption of Mount Etna took place, by extending the veil of St. Agatha toward it, thus saving the city as the lava was turned aside near the Benedictine Monastery and descended into the sea.

While the number of deaths at that place is not believed now to be large, there were several terrific occurrences. Among the children swept away by the wave was a boy 15 months old, who was torn from the arms of his mother. The mother, too, was overcome by the force of the water and lost consciousness, but her body was caught by a railing and she remained there until she was rescued.

BIG STICK TO HIT PURE-FOOD WILEY

Defies President and Publication of Bulletins Is Suspended.

DOCTOR SAYS NECK READY

Insists That Use of Benzate of Soda Be Forbidden Without Awaiting Decision of Board—Roosevelt Annuls Order.

EASTERN SICILY AND SOUTHWESTERN ITALY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(Special).—Dr. Wiley is slated to go. Vice-President-elect Sherman is said to have had a knife put in his sleeve for Dr. Wiley, but he can put it away now.

MAINLAND IS SHAKEN, TOO

Italian Town Feels Force of Island Disturbance.

Felt in France.

PAU, France, Dec. 28.—A slight earthquake was experienced here this morning, coincident with the disturbance in Calabria. No damage resulted.

FOREIGN MUSICIANS SCAB

Labor Leaders Ask Roosevelt to Stop Invasion of Contract Bands.

PLAN DEATH OF BANK BILL

Strong Clique Wants to Smother Postal Savings Measure.

IN HONOR OF ABE LINCOLN

Huge Hospital Planned as Memorial to Martyred President.

MEXICAN CONCERN TANGLE

Charges of Diversion of Funds Made Against J. F. Macklay.

CAPTAIN BAKER IS DEAD

Oregon Pioneer of 1847 Dies at His Home Near Salem.

Gets Damages for Injured Arm.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 28.—(Special).—John Brown secured judgment for \$415 in the Lewis County Superior Court today against the Walworth & Neville Manufacturing Company. Novak lost part of an arm in the company's mill while at work.

Cunards May Call at Cherbourg.

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FRANCE A NAVAL CRIPPLE

STARTLING CHARGES MADE AS TO LACK OF AMMUNITION.

Officer Who Called Attention to Defect to Be Disciplined for Speaking.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—A Toulon newspaper, the Petit Var, has published an article on the French navy's condition.

GROWING SMYRNA FIGS

Fruit of the Male Fig Tree Is Never Eaten.

Pathetic Roll of Dead.

Brakeman Morrisey, who also was on the engine, was killed. A number of freight cars were smashed.

PURE MILK IN HOLLAND

Model Dairy in Rotterdam Turns Out a Remarkably Clean Article.

Kill a Six-Pound Frog.

Newcastle (Del.) dispatch to the New York Press.

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EIGHT FEET DEATH

Grim Reaper Lurks on Curve When Two Trains Come.

WRECKED CARS CATCH FIRE

Work Train and Ore-Laden Freight Meet With Terrific Impact in Mountain Canyon on Great Northern Near Butte.

Curve Hides Track.

There is a curve in the track about a mile this side of Mid-Canyon, and coming around that the work train ran right into the freight, coming the other way.

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THE WOMAN WHO DIETS

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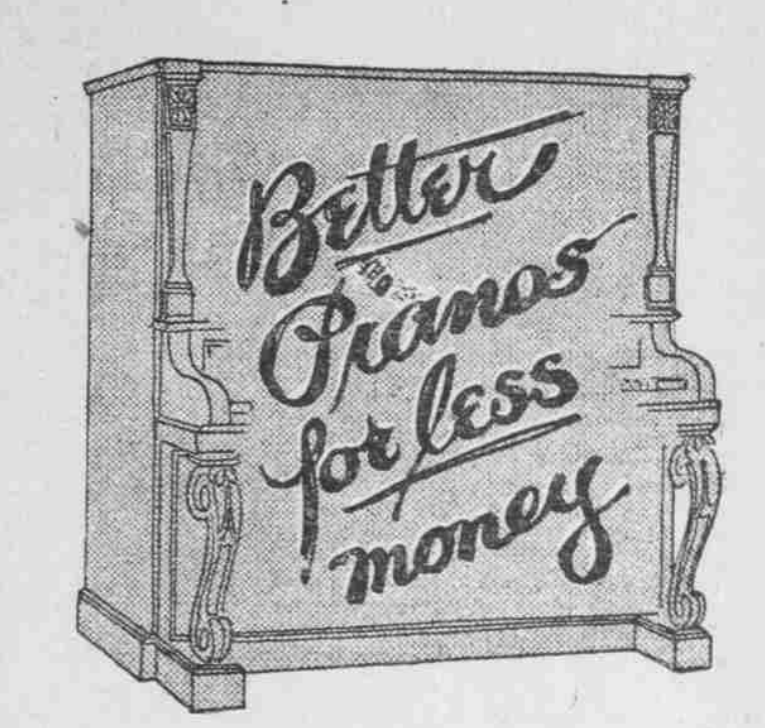
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Immediately into a receptacle which automatically fills the bottles in which the milk is distributed to the consumers. These bottles are closed by a small paraffin plate and a capsule. This milk is not pure that it remains good for several days. Needless to say that all machinery and receptacles are kept scrupulously clean. At regular intervals all the bottles as well as the human inmates of the dairy are subjected to a medical examination.



Neither boiling nor sterilization is resorted to, because those processes render the milk less digestible, according to the records of the medical profession. Only the extreme cleanliness and care with which the cows, the milk and the dairymen themselves are treated is the cause of the superior quality of the milk. Before any cow enters the model stable it is kept under careful observation for ten days and then thoroughly washed before being introduced to its future companions. The model stable is a spacious, light, well-ventilated place, with floors of extra hardened mortar, without seams of any kind in which dust can collect. The milking takes place in a separate hall or stable. Before being allowed to enter the milking place each cow is carefully cleaned in a kind of anteroom, where it is thoroughly washed and sprayed with warm water. Special attention being given to the udders, and then dried with a clean towel. The dress of the milker has to be spotlessly clean and they have to wash their hands before beginning the milking. These milkers are all subjected to a severe medical examination before being engaged by the dairy and no one that is not absolutely healthy is admitted as a dairyman.



Afterward the milk is weighed and turned into the cooler or refrigerating machine, where it is cooled down to one degree above freezing point. It is during this process that ordinary milk accumulates and breeds most bacteria, so it can easily be understood that in the apparatus where the cooling time is reduced to a minimum there is no opportunity for the milk to get contaminated. From the cooling apparatus the milk passes

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