IT RAINED FIRE

How City of St. Pierre Was Destroyed.

ISLAND A MASS OF FLAMES

All Life in the Vicinity of the Volcano Perished.

THE SEA FRONT IS ABLAZE

Following Most Recent Raid, the Ships-Fire Burns is a Mass of Charred Ruins.

WHEN AFTERNOON RAINS MOURNFUL SONG

Steamer Goes to the Bottom, 20,000 Persons Are Left to Grasp Their Fortune for Life or Death.

Auckland and Melbourne, N. Z., April 29.-The great steamer Wellington, that arrived at Melbourne on Saturday night, and was seen to go down at 10.40 p.m., has been wrecked in a heavy gale. The ship was carrying a cargo of wheat, and had been away from Melbourne a few weeks. When discovered, the ship was lying near the reef, and was in a bad way. The seamen were heard to be shouting for help, and the ship was soon seen to be on fire. The news has just been received that the ship has gone down, and that all hands are lost. The Wellington was a first-class ship, and was valued at $100,000.

WILL SEND RELIEF

Governor Dispatches Ships to Martinique.

ARE ORDERED TO INVESTIGATE

A commission of officers is appointed to investigate the destruction of St. Pierre, and to report on the means of relief to the Governor of the island.

VICTIMS OF PELEE

Some of the People Who Lost Lives in the Eruption.

MANY ARE KNOWN AT NEW YORK.

Natives With Connection in Martinique-Telexes Reported in This Land and Pennsylvania.

NEW YORK, May 30.-Telexes received from Martinique state that many of the persons killed in the terrible volcanic explosion of the island have relatives in New York. Several telexes have been received from the Consul at Martinique, stating that many of the persons killed in the explosion, which occurred on May 22, had relatives in the United States. The Consul has also stated that many of the persons killed in the explosion have relatives in Pennsylvania.

SCENES ON THE ISLANDS OF MARTINIQUE AND ST. VINCEN'T IN THE VOLCANO DISTRICT

Fort-de-France, Martinique.

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Statue of the Empress Josephine, Fort-de-France, Martinique.

Honor to which the Empress Josephine was born, Martinique.

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TOP BLOWN OFF

Cause of Explosion of Mount Pelee.

WATER IN THE CRATER

Entire Cap of the Mountain Was Lifted Off.

TERMS OF CONVULSION AT SEA

Waves Have a Mysterious Thrashing Sound, As if the Mountain were about to Rumble.

ST. THOMAS, N. T., May 30.—At the request of the Martinique Department, the Governor of the island has ordered a special commission to be sent to the island to investigate the cause of the explosion of Mount Pelee. The commission will be composed of engineers, geologists, and other experts, and will be charged with the task of determining the cause of the explosion.

EFFECTS ON ISLANDS CROPS

Agriculture Considerably Impaired by Volcanic Eruption.

The crops of the island of Martinique have been considerably impaired by the volcanic eruption. The crops of the island of Martinique have been considerably impaired by the volcanic eruption. The crops of the island of Martinique have been considerably impaired by the volcanic eruption.