## WRITES OF THE HORROR OF IT

Mrs. Carrie Stevens Walter. of San Jose, Depicts the Scenes.

DESCRIPTION

Prominent Literary Woman of California Sends Letter to Brother in Portland Narrating Disaster at San Jose.

Under date of April 19, the day following the episode that has wrought its indelible mark upon one of the fair-est portions of California, Mrs. Carrie Stevens-Walter, of San Jose, a prominent siterary woman of California, writing to her brother in this city, gives a vivid description of the horrifying situation. In her letter she says:

'April 18, 1906, will pass into history se the most calamitous that ever dawned upon Central California. At 5:15 A. M., as nearly as we can fix the time, an earthquake came, the like of which we never before experienced.

I was awake at the time, when suddenly our house began a series of shakings and contortions that were dreadful. Everything loose fell with a crash; the chimneys came down with a crunching roar, while the noise and confusion of all were beyond descrip-

#### Fire Bells Are Rung.

"After what seemed an nour, but could not have been more than a minute or so, the motion subsided, although it continued at intervals during the day. In a few moments the fire-bells began ringing; then, after half an

hour or so, the call for the National Guard was sounded. "When we went up town the sight was something terrible. Many were dead, and many more injured. Houses, collapsed and fallen in a heap, were common. The postoffice top was thrown into the street. This building is of stone, and was considered very solid. The High School was down, St. Pat-rick's Church a mass of brick and de-St. Joseph's badly damaged. Everywhere was destruction and ap-palling diseater, Every house in town and vicinity was injured more or less -fully 90 per cent badly so.

#### Queen City Is in Ruins.

on came dreadful rumors from San Francisco, which was shut off en-tirely from outside communication. From all we can learn today the once fair Queen City of California is a mass of smoking rules, its bills and depres-sions a stretch of desolation. The num-ber of dead reported is almost beyond belief. We are yet without telephone, telegraph or mail service, railroad communication, or, in fact, any means of learning the truth of this, the columity that ever befell Cali-

Yesterday we were all day on a ne vous strain during the recurring vibra-tions. When night settled down, it was upon a sorrowful scene. Fire added its horrors to us as to San Francisco, only in a much less degree. A great black pall oke from that poor city drifted over | card: of smoke from that poor city drifted over us, as it calling to us for the aid we were powerless to give it. Oh! the uncertainty and sadness of that night! At intervals we could distinctly hear the sound of bombs and artillery in San Francisco, de-molishing giant buildings in an effort to stop the awful flames. Then our own fire bells would ring, and all the time-lung ever us the dread of aporther earthbombs and artillery in San Francisco, de-molishing giant buildings in an effort to stop the awful flames. Then our own fire belie would ring, and all the time-hung over us the dread of another earth-

#### Uncertainty of It All.

We can never forget the gloom of that time. Any other visitation of calamity that could be measured, or gauged, or in any way estimated or counted upon, would not have been so horrible as this unknown demon whose flendish clutch had shaken hope, prosperity and life itself out of us; with its whimsteal, uncertain, uncounted upon impulses. To lose one's faith in things; to be at sea in a storm of uncertainty and doubt—these and a thousand other unrests are what an thousand other unrests are what an

"In San Jose all business is suspended, all stores closed, and the business part of town patrolled by the militia. This is a disaster that will require years for us to recover from, and the suspicion of us berearthquaky will never leave the minds people beyond our borders. The disaster was widespread, so far

as we can gather, extending as far south as San Luis Obispe, and as far north as Sacramento including, in fact the en-tire extent of Central California. I will try to get you a small paper sent out by the Mercury yesterday. For two days we have had no newspapers from either San Jose or San Francisco. Last night fully half the people of this city slept in tents, either because their houses were unafter. unsafe or because they feared an

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a little wedding-cake box filled with choc-olates and tied with ribbon. The evening was one of the most enjoyable of the sca-

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The pictures for the cards were cut from the backs of magazines, flustrated catalogues, etc. Below is given a sample

(Picture.) Silv enough sugar into the whites of two

To the above may be added: Creamed oysters on gas range. Fudge in din-ing-room pantry. Cocoanut cakes in

dining-room. Popcorn in library. Salad on kitchen dresser. Pinoche, creamed walnuts or stuffed dates, peanut taffy, and roasted chestnuts could be substituted or added.

### FIRST CASE OF LYNCH LAW

in the West of Ireland.

New York Times. So many different versions and explanations of the term lynch law have at vartous times been given and occasionally are even yet added to that it seems fitting to recount the tragic incident which has since given a name to so many calamitous occurrences not only in our land but on occasion also in that of others.

The very name of "Lynch" gives the direct clew to the land of its origin-Ireland. And when we recall the fact that during the latter part of the seven-teenth and the early part of the eighteenth century there was comparatively a large immigration from the north of Ireland and the south of Scotland, coming as land and the south of Scotiand, coming as settlers to the Carolinas, from which much of this material spread westward into Kentucky and Tennessee, and, realizing the tenacity with which these peoples husband, nourish and perpetuate their folklore and traditions, it needs only to relate the incident which Thackeray in his "irish Sketch Book" graphically recounts to show how natural it was to apply the memories and such a term to the individual exercise of justice and punishment. Thackeray, in the book referred to and in chapter I, of which treats of Galway.

An original young woman, who longed for some novel form of entertainment for her friends planned a cooking party, which is described in Harper's Bazar. It was really an elaboration of the chafing dish party. Several chafing dishes were used, and also both the gas and coal ranges in the klichen.

Twelve young people were invited, and the girls were asked to bring white aprons. When all had arrived a card was given to earch. The cards measured tax inches, tied with ribbons. Each card had a tiny picture at the tip. Below was written the name of some article to be cooked—for instance, "Sandwiches in kitchen."

There was nothing more on the young men's cards. The girls cards had in addition, the recipe for whatever was written above with other directions. Each girl found at the place indicated all the materials ready for her work. One of the young men was chosen by the hostess to his own back in young Largel's ship and being of a wild, extravagant turn, there contracted debts, drew bills and alarmed his father's correspondent, who sent a clerk and nephew of his own back in young Largel's ship. ten above with other directions. Each girl found at the place indicated all the maierials ready for her work. One of the maierials ready for her work. One of the sound alarmed his father's correspondent, who sent a clerk and nephew of his own back in young Lynch's ship to Galway to settle accounts. On the song was struck, and each attendant left his place and offered his services to another cook, so that during the time of preparation each girl had a chance to compare the helpfulness and inspiration of the several attendants.

Later in the evening, about \$2.00 the code were matched by the ribbons and pictures. This arranged the supper partners. The supper consisted chiefly of the results of the evening's work, with one or two extras which required a longer time for preparation. The hostess made coffee at the table.

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other causes, he lost Waterloo. Grouchy could not read with exactness life decisive message. Was it "bataille engagee" (battle is on), or "bataille gagnee" (battle is won)?

Grouchy chose the latter significance, and, not believing it necessary to press forward, arrived too late. So much for the curl of a letter, a pen stroke, or an illegible swell to an "a."

This question was brought forward by the writing master of the elder. Dumas: "Remember, Alexander," the master was acted a few nights before my ar-rival." has been written on the subject and Metropolitan Magazine.

The monkeys about which the world hears most and sees most accurately

the writing master of the elder Dumas:

"Remember, Alexander," the master said to him, "the great defeat of the Emperor was due only to his scrawling hand. If you wish to succeed in the world be careful of your heavy snd your light strokes." So, if Napoleon had known how to write legibly, or if he had take the trouble to do so, his descendants would reign today in France and we should not have the republic. It appears historically established today that Dumas' writing master was right. And on such alight things rests the fate of empires! ing street musicians. In see ammars, poorly nourished, exposed to all degrees of climate and no doubt cruelly punished, together with the so-called trained ages and monkeys which ride pigs, jump through burning hoops and do various other tricks much against their inclination, would, if they could speak, tell tales of miserable suffering. How much more keen and wholesome is one's interest when it is certain the treatment and the factors in the education of these creatures have been kindness and patience. With the orang and chimpanne all this is different. Having a positive affection for man, they imitate his every manner with that easy drollery and abandon which only kindness and patience could induce. All the tempers of a child are stored up in their little heads, and one needs only to restrain some particular mood quickly to find this out. The first impulse of a monkey is to bite and run. The orang and the chimpannee shriek and cry, roll over and over, strike their clinched hands and heads the, against the floor, and are only consoled when the keeper takes them in his arms, where they nestle and cling with all their strength.

Inherited Cuss Words.

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three times during the Civil War and is horses were shot dead under him. Tet it was not his military but his literary achievements that he took most pride in. He knew this was foolish, but he could not help it. He said once to me, apologetically, that he was not the only man whose pride was misplaced.

"He said that, in a certain engagement in his youth, he once heard a private swearing and cursing most frightfully. Lieutenant Wheeler, as he was then, went up to the private and said sternly:

"Where did you learn to swear like