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MOUNT PELEE'S SECOND ERUPTION

Vomited Thick Clouds of Black Smoke and Threw Mud and Stone.

PLEEING FROM DESTRUCTION

People Believe Island is Doomed and Leaving as Fast as Possible. — Refugees' Pitiable Flight.

FORT DE FRANCE, May 21.—Yesterday's eruption from Mount Pelee was violent in the extreme. Colossal columns of volcanic matter were ejected from the volcano, which rained huge, red hot boulders, many feet in diameter on the ruins of St. Pierre and the country near it, from an enormous elevation and with fearful velocity. The volcanic clouds advanced until they reached Fort de France. The spectacle was appalling and beyond description.

FORT DE FRANCE, May 21.—Governor L'Huerrere is on board the French cruiser Suchet. The comparative quiet is restored though every one is trying to leave the island which the inhabitants believe to be doomed.

Should the volcano again resume active scenes of panic and horror will surely occur.

Under the frightful strain crowds are losing their nerve and even foreigners on relief and other duty are nearly worn out with ceaseless vigil day and night. Nevertheless no further relief seems needed. People do not require food. They want to get away swiftly from the island.

POINT A PIETRIE, Island of Guadeloupe, May 21.—The steamer Herten, with 200 refugees from Fort de France, Martinique, and the French steamer Salvador having on board 1000 people who were unable to remain at Fort de France arrived here today. Refugees report that everybody who can do so is leaving Fort de France.

The refugees who have reached here by these ships are in a pitiable condition. They report that on May 20 Mount Pelee vomited thick clouds of black smoke and threw mud and stone over the greater part of the island. It was reported at Fort de France that some people have been killed at Carbet on the west coast while Basse Point on the northeast coast is said to have been completely destroyed.

CASTRIES, St. Lucia, May 21.—Reports received here today confirm the dispatches announcing that a panic prevailed at Fort de France, Martinique, yesterday. The town was covered with ash, stones were falling and a tidal wave added to the terror of the population, which was fleeing to the hills. Three hundred refugees have just arrived here and thousands have embarked.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, May 19.—The further outbreak of the Soufriere volcano on the island of St. Vincent yesterday is now apparently modifying. While it lasted there were heavy explosions and discharges of electric fire at night.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Captain Madras, of the French sloop Isabella, from St. Bartholomew, reports, says a Herald dispatch from St. Kitts, W. I., that when passing Mount Serrat, a small volcanic island lying northwest of Guadeloupe, he heard an explosion and saw flames burst from the side of the mountain.

STILL HEARING REPORTS.

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., May 21.—It has been reported here from St. Kitts that the Leeward Islands that on Monday night and Tuesday morning noises similar to those heard May 8, were again audible but louder and with greater distinctness. Some of the houses there were slightly shaken by the concussion.

From the British Island of Antigua and the French Island of Guadeloupe,

loud detonations from the southeast are reported. Another report which has reached here from the British Island of Dominica is to the effect that half past 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, a curious, awe-inspiring fiery cloud, surmounted by a snowy white cap, resembling highly polished silver, was seen from Roseau, on the West Coast of Dominica in the southeast. This phenomenon caused alarm in Dominica, especially as lightning followed in its wake.

PAIR ESTATE SETTLED.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—The children of James G. Fair are at last in possession of his estate. The final transfer was made to their representatives by the executors under the decree of distribution which was signed by Judge Troutt. The property handed over was valued at about \$7,000,000, the whole estate was worth about \$10,000,000. The larger part of it was given to the children when the Supreme Court decided that the executors could not hold the realty under the trust clause in Fair's will. By the final decree the property remaining in the hands of the executors was given to Charles L. Fair, Mrs. Theresa Oelrichs and Mrs. Virginia Vanderbilt.

BATTLE OF FLOWERS

SPANISH PETE MILDERS THAO BULL FIGHTING

A Moving Flower Carnival and a Royal Procession Combined.

MADRID, May 21.—The battle of flowers in the Buen Retiro Gardens yesterday evening was a brilliant success, not understanding the change from the sunny weather of the past few days to a cloudy sky and cool breezes. The firing of cannons at a quarter past 8 o'clock, announced the opening of the battle and the cannons were fired again at its conclusion at a quarter past seven. The broad central avenue of the gardens was reserved for the function and along the center and on either side of this avenue a stand was reserved for the accommodation of the spectators. All the seats on the platform were filled with an elegantly attired crowd, among whom were representatives of nearly all the noble and aristocratic families of Spain. Down the broad avenue passed a long line of several hundred profusely flowered carriages and floats. Among the latter were seen quite a number of original and artistic designs. They included a large alligator, a butterfly, a gondola, an ancient vase, a tea-cup, a Japanese fan and royal arms of Spain, all constructed of the brightest flowers and filled with girls dressed in colors harmonizing with the floral decorations.

The royal stand had been erected at one end of the central platform around which the floral procession defiled. King Alfonso, the Queen mother and all the royal family, who were accompanied by the foreign princes, witnessed and participated in the fête. King Alfonso wore the uniform of a Captain General. Dr. J. L. Curry, the American representative and his party occupied seats in the front row of the tribune reserved for the foreign envoys.

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CLATSOP COUNTY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Have Taken Astoria By Storm and Holding Interesting Institute.

PROMINENT EDUCATORS HERE

Many Able Addresses and Demonstrations Yesterday of the Best Methods of School Work.

The teachers of Clatsop County convened yesterday morning at 9 o'clock in the High School building, County Superintendent Lyman presiding. The attendance for the opening day was very large, and the institute promises to be one of the best ever held in Clatsop County. State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, and County Superintendent Robinson, of Multnomah County, are in attendance as instructors and aside from the social feature of the meetings, the presence of these two prominent educators will insure profitable returns to the teachers in attendance in the nature of many timely suggestions of general interest in the work of the teacher.

The morning session opened with a few general remarks from County Superintendent H. S. Lyman, after which the pupils of Miss McCann, of the McClure school, sang a song. The election of officers of the institute followed, resulting in the selection of Prof. W. O. Sims, of New Astoria as the secretary, and Miss Amy Lemon, of Astoria, assistant secretary. The morning enrollment was as follows:

The following teachers were present and were enrolled as members of the institute: Sophie Anderson, Melville; Emma Ausmus, Adair school; T. M. Bowman, Clifton; Mrs. Jennie Busby; Shively school; Dora Badollet, High School; Ethel Blinn, McClure school; Mrs. R. A. Blevins, Hammond; Maud Bayles, Adair school; A. A. Cleveland, Shively school; Mrs. J. W. Crow, Knappa; Helen W. Dickson, Adair; Harriet I. Dunning, Clatsop City; Mary Dealey, Shively school; A. L. Clark, High School; Helen J. Ewing, Seaside; Mattie Earhart, Seaside; Mary Fossell, Shively school; Mrs. A. L. Fullerton, McClure school; Mayale Foster, Knappa; Nellie H. Gerding, district No. 18; Mary Garner, Shively school; M. E. V. Hess, Skippoon; Mrs. Belle Huden, Astoria; Mrs. Carrie Krager, McClure school; Anna Lewis Chadwell; Lillie Lewis, Alderbrook; Mary F. Lawrence, Olney; Mrs. M. E. Lemon, Adair school; Amy G. Lemon, Adair school; J. T. Lee, Warren; May Morgan, Olney; Edna Morrison, pupil, Skippoon; Mrs. J. O. McCormick, McClure school; Elizabeth McCann, McClure school; Grace A. Moeck, Westport; Anna S. Olson, McClure school; Kate E. Osgood, Jewell; Annie C. O'Neill, Alderbrook; Neal Stupp, Alderbrook; W. O. Sims, New Astoria; Kathryn M. Shively, Olney school; Kate Sinnott, Shively school; Maud Stockton, Olney school; Florence S. Turner, Youngs River; May M. Utzinger, McClure school; R. H. Worcester, Svensen; George A. Warfield, High School; Emma C. Warren, High School; Caroline Jeffers, Astoria; Mabel Jeffers, Astoria; J. C. McCus.

After the enrollment, Superintendent Lyman introduced Superintendent Robinson, of Multnomah County, who presented the subject of arithmetic. His remarks were in the main introductory to the subject, which will be discussed in general at the session this morning. He emphasized the value of teaching number work in the primary grades and in especially the first grade as it should be taught. He pictured the child coming to school with the ear, voice, hand and eye all to some extent developed, and the extent to which each is developed decreasing in the order named. The purpose of the school was to make him a rounded product as it were, to make him use each of the four. He stated that number one must be associated with the use of objects and should not be taught otherwise. His remarks were interesting and replete with many useful suggestions.

A recess of 10 minutes was taken after which an address entitled, "Are we following the masters?" was given by Prof. W. O. Sims, of New Astoria, which proved of interest to all present.

ent. The morning session closed with a talk on language by Superintendent Ackerman, in which he outlined the main features of the work as outlined in the revised course of study as planned for the lower grades. His remarks were of general interest, and were in the most part introductory to subject proper, which will be presented this morning.

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:30, and opened with an instrumental duet by the Muses Goddard, after which Superintendent Lyman made remarks of general interest concerning the afternoon program. The teachers present, at the request of Superintendent Robinson, joined in singing "The Watch on the Rhine," after which the subject of reading was presented by Superintendent Robinson, who said in part: the main value of reading lies in the child's ability to interpret symbols. In the 19th century the instructions on the part of the teacher was presented in lecture form, and the student obtained information by ear. In the university of today reading on part of students has first place, and research on his part

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STRIKE ON IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND'S MOST SERIOUS LABOR CRISIS.

The Union is Firm and Nothing But a Nine-Hour Day Will Be Accepted.

PORTLAND, May 21.—The Telegram this evening says of the strike situation:

"Upwards of 2500 Building Trades Union men went on a strike in Portland this morning, in an effort to force proprietors of planing mills to grant the demand of their employes for a nine-hour day. As a result building operations throughout the city are at a standstill. Thirteen unions are out to a man. They are the electricians, carpenters, painters, plumbers, bricklayers, lathers, sheet metal workers, signers, bridge and structural iron workers, hod carriers, sand and fuel drivers, glaziers and plasterers. President Harry Gurr, of the Federated Trades, has announced officially that if the demand of the planing-mill men is not granted by next Friday, other unions will be called out and an aggressive fight inaugurated. Nothing but a nine-hour day will be accepted by the union, and no proposition on any other basis will even be considered. The planing-mill proprietors announce with great positiveness that they will not yield to the strikers' demand. It is generally agreed that this is the most serious labor crisis Portland has seen, and its effects, if it continues long, will be widespread and disastrous. Business and commercial men generally are anxious that the trouble be arbitrated, but this suggestion is spurned both by the strikers and their employes.

"The lock-out up to a late hour today appears to be complete. The men on the sympathetic strike appear to gain confidence as time goes on. Wherever a man in any way affiliated with the building trades, was seen at work today he was promptly called off and at noon today it was stated at the headquarters of the various unions that not a true union man under the strike order was to be found working.

"The situation is fully as grave as was anticipated. Not a wheel is turning nor a hammer is being swung. Even telephone linemen stopped work this morning at places where they were putting in telephone or fixing wires. There is a quiet determined air about the sympathetic workers in the case. No trouble recorded anywhere."

THE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE

Senate Passes Resolutions Congratulating Free Cuba.

WELLINGTON GETS WRATHY

Said Our Action in Philippines Indefensible as Attacks of Hordes of Hell Upon God.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Before the senate resumed consideration of the Philippine bill today it adopted a resolution congratulating the Republic of Cuba on its entry into the family of nations and the secretary of state was directed to transmit the resolution to the president of the new republic. The senate also ordered the Associated Press to give an account of the ceremonies of transfer of the United States to Cuban authorities printed in the Congressional Record as a public document.

Wellington opposed the pending Philippine measure and said the action of the United States in the island was an indefensible as the attack of hordes of hell upon God.

The omnibus public building bill passed the senate; it carries appropriation of \$21,235,150.

The house began the consideration of the immigration bill today. The principal speech was made by Spattuck, of Ohio, chairman of the committee on immigration. He was especially severe in his condemnation of the manner in which immigrants are introduced through Canada, and by Canadian railways and steamship companies. Underwood, of Alabama, gave notice of the amendment to provide for the educational test.

The house agreed to the resolution of seating Charles R. Thomas, from the Third North Carolina district; also seating of Tompkins, from the Twelfth Ohio district, whose name was contested by John J. Lentz, also confirming the right of Rhea, of the Ninth Virginia district.

The senate finance committee today favorably reported Senator Mitchell's bill for an assay office at Portland. The house passed Senator Mitchell's bill allowing the Washington & Oregon Railroad Company to construct a bridge across the Columbia at Vancouver.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—President Roosevelt today unveiled the memorial shaft erected at Arlington by the National Society Colonial Dames in memory of the soldiers who fell in the struggle between Spain and the United States.

The president today nominated Alfred S. Moore, of Pennsylvania, to be judge of the Second district of Alaska.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Postmaster General Payne announced today that the portrait of Martha Washington be erected upon as the first of American women to adorn the United States postage stamp. The portrait will be placed on eight-cent stamps.

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