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ERUPTION OF PELEE.

Graphic Description by the Vicar of Martinique.

Startling Details of the Awful Upheaval That Overwhelmed the City of St. Pierre—Entombed Thousands.

The following paragraphs are part of a letter in the form of a journal written to the absent bishop of Martinique by Vicar General Parel, the whole forming an historic document of great intelligence and particularity. A copy of the original was given by the writer to Chaplain MacGrath, of the Dixie, and appears entire in Century. The qualities of a trained observer appear in these pathetic passages:

"Thursday, May 8. The Ascension. This date should be written in blood!

"Toward four o'clock in the morning a violent thunderstorm, with torrents of rain, broke over Fort de France. Toward eight o'clock the horizon in the north, in the direction of the volcano, was as black as ink. The clouds were moving rapidly toward the northwest. The sky was darkening more and more, when suddenly I heard something like hail falling on the roofs and the leaves of the trees. A great noise rose from the city. In church, where the eight o'clock mass was in progress, a terrible panic seized the congregation, and the priest was left standing alone.

"Night had descended on us, and the crash of thunder was continuous. The sea retreated three times for a distance of several hundred meters. The boat which was putting out of St. Pierre turned back.

"I stepped out on my balcony to take in the situation, and immediately it was covered with a hail of stones and still hot cinders. People stood petrified on their doorsteps. Others ran wildly here and there through the streets. All this lasted for about a quarter of an hour—a quarter on an hour of terror.

"But what was happening at St. Pierre? No one dared to think. Telephonic communication had been cut off abruptly in the middle of a word. Some persons asserted that they had seen, above the tops of the mountains separating us from St. Pierre, a column of fire rising into the sky and spreading outward toward all points of the horizon. Boundless anxiety seized upon us all. At 11 o'clock the Marin set out to reconnoiter. It encountered a sight appalling beyond imagination. St. Pierre was nothing but one vast brasier! When the tender like the funeral bell of Vaucluse reached us at about [illegible] of the day we went [illegible] I will not try to give a picture of such scenes. To write of them would take the pen of Dante and the accents of Jeremiah!

"I learn that a boat is to be sent out to rescue the wounded. I am fortunate enough to obtain a place in it, together with one of my vicars. The police and gendarmes cannot keep back the crowd struggling to make its way on board. The expedition is composed of the public prosecutor of the republic, and officer, and a platoon of marines. People refuse to believe in the realities of so horrible a disaster. They cling to every hypothesis that may still make hope possible. We say to ourselves that, at least, a great part of the population must have had time to flee!

"When, about four o'clock in the afternoon, we turn the last promontory that separates us from what was once the magnificent panorama of St. Pierre, the first sight that strikes our eyes, at the farther end of the roadstead, is Riviere Blanche, with its stream of smoke, throwing itself furiously, as the day before, into the sea. Then a little farther out, a large steamer (the Roraima) in flames. We hear that it is an American packet, just arrived that morning, in full to be enveloped in the catastrophe. Two other steamboats are burning nearer the shore. Wreckage and the upturned keels of boats strew the roadstead. And this is all that is left of the 30 or 40 ships anchored here the day previous. All along the quays, for a distance of 500 meters, piles of lumber are burning. There are smaller fires on the hills about the city, visible, through the smoke, as far as Fonds Core. But St. Pierre, that city this morning alive, full of human souls, is no more! It lies consumed before us, in its winding-sheet of smoke and cinders, silent and desolate, a city of the dead. We strain our eyes for fleeing inhabitants, for men returning to bury their lost ones. We see no one! There is no living being left in this desert of desolation, framed in a terrifying solitude. In the background, when the cloud of smoke and cinders breaks away, the mountain and its slopes, once so green, stand forth like an Alpine landscape. They look as if they were covered with a heavy cloak of snow, and through the thickened atmosphere rays of gold sunshine, wan, and unknown in our latitudes, illumine this scene with a light that seems to belong to the other side of the grave.

"With what profound emotion I raise my hand over these 25,000 victims sleeping, in their dread tomb, their last sleep!"

Maple Cream Filling.

Mix one-third cupful flour, one cupful maple sugar (previously shaved fine), pinch salt. Add two cupfuls milk that has been heated, and cook until smooth. Add well-beaten yolks of two eggs. Cook several minutes longer, then cool. Beat the whites to dry froth. Add one cupful pulverized maple sugar, stir and lastly spread between layers of cake.

PAYS THE FARMERS WELL.

The Importance of Fruit and Vegetable Raising is Increasing Every Year.

Gardeners and fruit growers, especially those residing near the larger cities of the country, have been enjoying a profitable business of late years and the demand for their products is still on the increase, says the Chicago Chronicle. The handling of these articles, too, has developed into a great business enterprise, commanding millions of dollars of capital. Already North America is the greatest fruit-growing country in the world, practicing the most scientific and progressive methods. The flower growing interest is itself an important source of national wealth. Where once we grew tomatoes in an amateurish way as a garden product, we now grow them in blocks of hundreds of acres. So great have become the horticultural interests in this country that departments of horticulture have been established even in many small as well as the large schools. The generation to come will see the different branches of horticulture, each in itself a department of the institution. The extent to which these special industries are singled out and emphasized measures the increasing importance of agriculture as a whole.

Boers, English and Sport.

"When Gen. Louis Botha passed through Vryheid a few weeks ago," says the London Chronicle, "the impression given by his good spirits was that he was pleased with the terms. The English commanding officer went out to exchange courtesies with Botha, and our infantry gave him a guard of honor until he joined his own burghers a few miles out of Vryheid. All this is as might be expected, but a strange incident occurred. The English officer in charge of the escort was presented to Gen. Botha's secretary, Jacobus De Wet, who had been three years at Oxford, and to his aide-de-camp, Louis Esselen, also a 'varsity man. They were evidently anxious to get speech with our lieutenants, and their first words were: 'Who won the boat race?'"

Explicit Directions.

The following notice appears on a signboard near Port Clinton, Pa.: "Notis. Take this road to Portclinton. You cant cross over the Plumcreek Bridge. She is too Poore, and she is fentsup. Suprowiser."

PUZZLE THE WOMEN.

The Ways of Government and Legislative Affairs Are Bewildering to Women Visitors.

Two ladies from Massachusetts were in the senate chamber the other day, and their escort, who was showing them various objects of interest, pointed out the desks of Senators Hoar and Lodge, says the Washington Star.

"The desks, you see," said the impromptu guide, "are next to each other."

"Oh," exclaimed one of the ladies, "I know now what it means when it is said that senators are paired."

Stories of the mistakes which women make concerning public matters are always current at the capitol. The other day an eastern congressman received a letter from a lady in his district who asked him to look after her nephew. "He is a secretary in the cabinet or something of the sort," wrote the lady, and the congressman finally found him acting as clerk to a very subordinate official in the treasury department. The capital guides tell the story of the woman who, when told the vice president presided over the senate, said that she always wanted to see Bryan.

"But Bryan is not vice president," explained the guide.

"I thought he was," replied the lady, "because he got almost as many votes as McKinley."

And there is still another story of the woman visitor to the capitol who asked the name of the secretary of state.

"Mr. Hay," was the reply.

"Mr. Hay?" queried the woman, in surprise. "That can't be, because Mr. Hay is a member of the cabinet!"

IDEA OF THE CASH REGISTER.

It Came to an Ohio Man While He Was Watching the Machinery of an Ocean Steamer.

"A hotel keeper watching the machinery of a big ocean steamer working in midocean received a mental suggestion that resulted in the modern cash register," said C. G. Fabin, of Dayton, O. "The inventor of the first cash register was Jake Fabin, a hotel keeper, of Dayton, O., according to the Kansas City Times. He made the way to Europe several years ago when he was invited to look at the machinery that powered the engines of that ocean greyhound, the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse.

"He wondered in the same way he had often wondered in his own hotel office, for there are many petty leaks in a hotel office that, if stopped, would be doing good to help make it a success. So for all voyage, forgetting many of the sights, he was studying out a way to stop the leaks in his own hotel office. Detroit Free Press.

Oyster with Peas.

Cook one-half pint canned French peas with one tablespoonful sugar, one-half gill of water and one tablespoonful butter ten minutes; strain, dry and add a pinch of salt, and heat in a saucepan; put on toast. Boston Cooking-school Magazine.

Green Gooseberries.

Cook these in as little water as possible until they are soft; then put in glass jars with all of the water in which they were cooked. When cold, seal tight. Exchange.

Just Ask Pete.

You will not pay over the cheek-bone fare, Bridget, for the privilege of stepping, for boiling the water for shaving, for dusting each of the bedposts, for dusting each of the bedposts, for letting down the window shade, for doing good to all mankind, for being kind to your self-respecting self, for all wrongs, for forgiving many of the sins, for being courteous to all.—Detroit Free Press.

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Lottie Peterson, Plaintiff,
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Thorvald Peterson defendant.

To Thorvald Peterson, the above named defendant:

You are hereby summoned to appear and answer the complaint in the above entitled cause filed against you, in the above entitled Court by the 20th day of October, 1902 and are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the plaintiff will for want thereof apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint to-wit.

For a decree of the court dissolving the marriage contract existing between plff and deft in said suit and also for the award of the care and custody of the minor children of said marriage with plff and the costs and disbursements of the suit.

You will take notice further that the date of the order for this publication is the 2nd day of September 1902.

THORNTON WILLIAMS,
Atty for plff

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