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CHARLOTTE, N. C., SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 21, 1906.

PINICIE BLYD ODWARS

EMERGES WITH FLYING COLOR

congratulated Judge Goff. The scene

that followed the noted utterance was

very animated and interesting. Men

CHEAT FIRE OF SOME PREY WORKERS SAVE WESTERN ADDITION

REFUGEES HERD LIKE CATTLE

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Are Practically Under Con-Fiames trol, Masterly Handling of Explosives by Navy Yard's Chief Having Saved the Best Part of the City Remaining From Further Danger, and the Work of Relief Begins - Destitution and Suffering Among Multitudes Herded in Parks, Fields and Open Lots is Indescribable and Only Prompt Arrival of Great Supplies of Food Can Avert Famine-Main Hope Placed in the Big Cities of the Nation-Committee of Safety Plans to Concentrate Refugees Into Several Large Camps, but May Not Succeed in Doing So-Order Astonishingly Good in Consequence of Early Severe Measures Taken by Troops-Thousands of Members of Families Separated-Firemen's Attention Now Demanded Only by Fire Still Burning Toward Northwestern Water Front-Hundreds of Bodies Taken From Ruins.

San Francisco, April 20 .- A wind of high velocity is blowing from the northwest over the fire-stricken districts to-night, along the water front, and is threatening to cut off communication with Oakland and Berkley. General Kaster has ordered out a squadron of men to endeavor to keep back the flames, which threaten the constructing necessary outhouses. Union ferry depot, the only means of GOOD FELLOWSHIP THE RULE. egress from the city. The water front emergency hospital is endangered and Good order and fellowship seem to prevail in these impromptu settlements and the common min ad poverty has the officials in charge are prepared to

move from their quarters. The wind made all of the unfortunates akin. is of such velocity that brick and granite walls, weakened by the earthpolice are storing available food stuffs and bed clothing for convenient dequake and the subsequent fire, are livery. That there will be a just and falling into the streets. Market equal distribution of supplies, is evi-dent from the temper of the city adstreet, the principal avenue of escape ministration. No distinctions drawn and only few favors shown. from the city to the ferry buildings, may be blocked, thus shutting off the only ready means of escape to the ferries.

outside points, avert famine and desti-San Francisco, April 20.-10 p. m.tution? There is little food in San The Postal Telegraph Company has Francisco outside of what little each abandoned its temporary office in the person possesses and this cannot last ferry building. The wind, which is is, geographically, an isolated city. Its nearest large neighbor south is Los Anblowing a gale, has shifted to the northeast and the flames now threatreles 500 en the ferry building with destruc-Portland, nearly 800 miles distant, and its nearest neighbor in the east is Sait tion.

Lake City, 1,000 miles away. These cities and all of the less populated San Francisco, April 20 .- San Frannearer towns are making sacrafices for the destitute here, but it is to the big cisco's darkest hour has dawned into a day of hope. Its time of overwhelmcities of the nation that San Francisco ing disaster and peril has ended and looks with anxious eyes for relief. its future is now a subject of general BODIES FOUND BY HUNDREDS.

Its cable connection with the Orient by establishing a station at Ocean Beach, but there is no service yet for delivering messages there. OPERATIC STARS HARD HIT SOUTHERN CITIES RESPOND FOREST BILL NEXT WEEK FAMILIES SCATTERED. Thousands of members of families are separated and with no means of learning one another's whereabouts. The police to-day opened up a bureau of registration to bring relatives to-gethen.

It is impossible to secure a vehicle

Setropolitan Opers Company, In-cluding Mme. Sembrich, Mme. Eames, Caruso, Scotti and Com-panari, Suffers in Disaster, Nearly All Personal Effects Being Lost, but All Escaping Uninjured-Loss Includes All Stage Fittings and May Reach \$156,000-All Rushed Out in Night Dress and Excited State Made Natives Seem Stolid by Comparison-Off for East. Oakland, Cal. April 28-The mon-It is impossible to secure a vehicle except at exhorbitant prices. One mer-chant engaged a teamster and horses and wagon, agreeing to pay 550 an hour. Charges of \$20 for ferry-ing trunks a few blocks was common. The police and military selse teams whereves they require them, their wishes being anforced at revolver point if the owner proved indisposed to com-ply with the demands. Mayor Schmits looked weary to-day, but was energetically at work at his Oakland, Cal., April 20,-The mem bers of the Metropolitan Opera Com-pany, of New York, all of whom suffared from the great disaster, are leave ing to-day for the East. A number of principals, including Madame Sembrich, Carusso, Campanari, Quippel, Conductors Hertz and Bars, started but was energetically at work at his desk, though he had had little or no sleep. The policeman reported that to-day on the Southern Pacific Overland train. The greater part of the company, including the chorus and musicians , will travel by a special two grocery stores in the neighbor-hood were closed, although the clerks were present. "Smash the stores open," ordered the mayor, "and guard them." train via New Orleans, With this party are Scotti, Miss Walker, Mme.

Rappold, Plancon, Relss, press Rep-resentative Meltzer and Conductor PLAN SEVERAL GREAT CAMPS. Franko. All of the splendid scenery, Throughout the entire western portion of the Peninsular county San Francisco refuges' camps are located. The municipal safety committee has stage fittings, costumes and, musical instruments were lost in the fire, which destroyed the Grand Opera House, where their season had just opened to splendid audiences. No one had plans for concentrating these unfortunate people in several great of the company was injured, but nearly all of them lost their personal effects. Mme. Sembrich placed her camps, but unless they are forcibly herded together like cattle, this scheme eems impossible of accomplishment. Major McKeever, of the United States army, has been appointed comloss by the destruction of her elegant costumes at \$20,000. She was fortumander of the camps and with his staff of assistants was to-day trying nate enough to save her valuable pearls. The total loss to the organizato bring some sort of system and order out of the chaotic situation. His first tion may reach \$150,000.

For the past two days the singers thought is to supply food and water and musicians have been living with and then to arrange sanitary meas-ures. These throngs of people are crowded elbow to elbow in the open friends or camping out in the parks and on the hill sides of San Francisco. Some were quartered at the chutes. ots and fields without conveniences When they were seen by an As-sociated Press representative in their that are naturally demanded and are threatened' with an epidemic of disspecial cars to-day the operatic stars ease unless some wise precautions are spedily observed and the authorities gave an interesting account of their experiences, ven as early as yesterday had men

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TELL THEIR EXPERIENCES. On the morning of the earthquake

the members of the company distributed among the different hotels, most of them being at the Palace, St. Francis. and the Oaks. Caruso Scotti, Miss Walker, Miss Abbott, Miss Jacoby and other principals were at the Palace. Plancon and Dippel and Mme. Sembrich were at the St. Francis and the musicians and the chorus at the Oaks. Mme. Eames, Miss Fremstead and several others were at private hotels or residences The sudden shock brought all out of their bed rooms in all kinds of attire

The women were in their night an adequate supply of food arrive from dresses, the men in pajamas, none pausing to dress, all convinced that their last hour had come. Ten minutes later, Caruso was seen seated person possesses and this cannot last more than a few days. San Francisco street. Many of the others had rushed to open squares or other places of supposed safety. Even then it was difficult to avoid the debris falling miles away. To the north is

Gives \$1,500; Wilmington 1,000: Jacksonville, \$7,070; Char-ston, 55,000; Savamah, 55,500; orfolk, 55,000, and Others Less mounts-Subscriptions and Bene-Amounts Subscriptions and Bene-fits in Many Southern Towns, and Amounts Already Contributed Will be Largely Increased—Gov. Swan-son, of Virginia, Issues Proclama-tion Urging Subscription. Special to The Observer.

Durham, April 20.-To-night the Durham chamber of commerce was re-organized. The first act of the cham-ber, after electing a president, was to subscribe funds for the Califor-nia sufferers. The resolution that Dur-ham should send help to the sufferers on the other side of the continent was on the other side of the continent was introduced by George W. Watts, who subscribed 3500 for this fund. Capt. E. J. Parrish gave \$100 and, in 15 min-utes, those who had assembled for the purpose of putting the chamber on a sure footing, subscribed a total of \$1,-544 to be made available by 10 o'clock

to morrow. A committee of five was appointed to ask for additional help from the citizens and it is expected that, by Monday, when the list will close, Dur-ham will have sent to help the suffer-ers \$2,000, or \$3,000. The city alder-men have given nothing as yet and they may contribute. The chamber elected Capt. E. J. Parrish president and Victor S. Bryant first vice president.

Charleston, S. C., April 20.-Mayor the following telegram:

"To Hon, Eugene E. Schmitz, Mayor of San Francisco. "The city of Charleston, mindful of the generosity of the world and esecially of your citizens in the time

of her distress from a similar calamity. transmits to you this day five thou-sand dollars for your sufferers; and also sends in behalf of our entire

people the deepest sympathy for your citizens. R. G. RHETT, Mayor." Subscription lists are being made up by the Red Cross, business houses, Ma-sonic and fraternal bodies, etc. Several thousand dollars will be added to the amount sent by the city.

Richmond, Va., April 20.-Governor Claude A. Swanson to-night issued a proclamation to the people of Virginia urging them to subscribe from their means for the assistance of the victims of the San Francisco earthquake. The ministers of all denominations are urged to preach on the subject from their pulpits on Sunday and to have special colections taken up for the tailve gathering here on the 26th in-purpose. Lodges and secret organizations are especially asked to subscribe from their treasuries. Individual people are asked to tender their subscriptions at once, the need being urgent.

ed to open squares or other places of supposed safety. Even then it was difficult to avoid the debris falling from the crumbling walls. LIFTED UP HIS VOICE. Several of those stopping at the Oaks were awakened by plaster from Savannah, Ga., April 20.—Savannah, to-day raised 25,600 for the San Fran-cisco sufferers and contributations will be received during the next few days to swell the fund. The city count for the saring. H. E. Fries, of Winston-Sa-lem; D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, and F. E. Hewitt, of Ashevile, are the ceiling falling on their beds and barely had time to flee for their lives. One was seen standing in the street, barefooted, and clad only in his un-barefooted, and clad only in his unerwear, but clutching a favorite vi avannah n aid in 1876. when the city was visited-by a yellow fever epilin which he had carried with him in his flight. The first impulse of many demic.

ANTICS DURING EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUNDS FOR SUFFERERS HEARING SET FOR WEDNESDAY Representative Men Will Appear Before House Committee the 25th in Behalf of the Bill Appropriating Forest Reserve—Hon. Champ Clark Will Surely be Here on the 20th and Will Speak on "The United States in the Twentieth Century"— Sneaker Campos and Minority Speaker Cannon and Minority Leader Williams Not Surprised at Verdict in Blackburn Case.

> BY W. A. HILDEBRAND. Observer Bureau,

1417 G Street N. W., Washington, April 20. Representative Webb has sent the mayor of Charlotte the following

self-explanatory telegram:

S. S. McNinch, Charlotte, N. C. "Congressman Champ Clark assure me he will be with you for the 20th of May celebration. Mrs. Clark will accompany him. The subject of his address will be, "The United States of America in the Twentieth Cenury.

Decided interest was manifested among members of Congress when The Star reached the Capitol, containing an account of the acquittal of Congressman Blackburn. With its account The Star published a photoof the member from graph the eighth. Speaker Cannon said to The Observer correspondent: "I am glad the young man has been declared

guiltless so promptly, but I am not surprised. I am familiar with the Rhett, to-day after a conference with facts in his case, and, while I have the ways and means committee, sent not practiced law for 30 years, I felt sure that he had violated no law, nor done anything repulsive to any mem-

ber's sense of the proprieties." Minority Leader Williams express himself in a similar vein, and it is safe to say that Mr. Blackburn can get all the recognition he wants if he should conclude to take a fall out of his political enemies. The exact truth E. Spencer Blackburn is exceedingly popular in Congressional circles and his Democratic colleagues from the State will be among the first to extend congratulations when he returns. Practically every member has openly and frequently expressed sympathy for Mr. Blackburn since the inaugu ration of this prosecution. Perhaps the best politician in the State to-day expressed the opinion that Blackburn would sweep the deck in the next State convention, when he will go up against the Butler-Rollins faction.

HEARING ON FOREST RESERVE BILL NEXT WEEK.

Prof. Holmes says there is every in-dication that there will be a represenlachian Forest Reserve bill will taken up for consideration by the House committee on agriculture, of which Mr. Wadsworth is chairman Prof. Holmes says he understands that and F. E. Hewitt, of Asheville, are among the other North Carolinians who are accredited with a determination to be here. Rutherford B. Hayes, of Asheville, who has worked long and faithfully in behalf of this move-

BLACKBURN NOT GUILTY NEARLY A FIGHT IN THE HOUSE

Clark, of Florida, Threatens Gros venor, of Ohio, With Personal Violence Because of Latter's State-ment That He Had Been "Purposely Misrepresented"-Mr. Wil-liams the Peace-Maker.

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Federal Court Room at Greensborn a Scene of Wild Applause When the Congressman From the Eighth is Cleared of Charges of Practicus Before Departments — Case Nut Given to Jury, Judge Golf Render-ing the Verdict — Full Text of Judge's Charge — His Acquittal Very Likely Insures Re-Election to Con-gress and May Result in Making Him Leader of His Party in This State. Washington, April 20 -Although The Congressional Record will not show any difference of opinion between General Grosvenor, of Ohio, and Frank Clark, of Florida, the fact is that a serious altercation between these two gentlemen was avoided in the House to-day Special to The Observer. by the masterly diplomacy of the min-Greensboro, April 20 .- As was proority leader, Mr. Williams, of Missisdicted in The Observer of to-day the sippi, who asked unanimous consent Blackburn trial closed this mon that the language of the gentlemen be

just before the clock struck 12. Th stricken from The Record. case did not go to the jury for, as There was a threat of personal vio-Judge Goff closed his charge, he so lence on the part of Mr. Clark against "And, gentlemen of the jury, if you the Congressman from Ohio, growing were to bring in a verdict of guilty out of a statement on the part of the latter that Mr. Clark had "purposely I should set it aside; therefore, why misrepresented him." Excitement ran go through the formality of rendering high for a short time over the un- one." As the words fell from the lips parliamentary language used by the of the learned man of law an outgentlemen growing out of a desire on the part of Mr. Clark to have a conburst of applause burst from the large gressional investigation of the St. Elicrowd which had assembled to hear zabeth Insane Asylum. the court deliver its instructions. The The Speaker loudly called the gen-tlemen to order and Mr. Williams recheering was liberal and prolonged Forgetting that court was still in sesstored outward peace by having th objectionable language eliminated. The quarintine bill was sent to con sion a number of ladies rose up from their seats, walked across the bar and

TO REPLACE PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Senate Asks Estimate for Cost of rushed out and filed telegrams to New Structures in San Francisc friends and newspaper reporters sent LaFollette's Speech Drags Along. off bulleting. There was tumult and Washington, April 20 .- Mr. LaFolapplause, and, through it all, the deette to-day continued,' but did not fendant sat where he had been all the conclude, his speech in the Senate on morning and received congratulations the question of railroad rate legisla from those who were close at hand. tion. His discussion especially the sub-jects of the regulation of railroads in He showed considerable feeling, but foreign countries and their overcapi said very little.

State.

talization in the United States, con ACQUITTAL WAS A CERTAINTY. tending in the first instance that the Blackburn's acquittal was almost a Senate has been misinformed and in the second that rates should be fixed certainty when the evidence was all in. The government did not make out on the basis of earning capacity on actual valuation.

its case. Some declare that Mr. Hol-ton could have done better with the The appropriation for the sufferers ton could have done better with the witnesses than Judge Lewis did but he was made available for the purchase of medical supplies and the first step towards replacing the public buildings in that city was taken by the adoption was not trying the case. The result of the trial means much to Blackburn. He is stronger to day than ever before and his acquittal will mean votes for of a resolution asking the Secretary him in the next election. It is argued by his friends that he will become the State leader of his party and Demo-crats think that his ascendency would of the Treasury to prepare an estimat of the cost of new structures

KILLED BY HIS FRIEND. destroy the party for he is not the Clarence Daniels Shot by William

sort of man to become a successful leader outside of the mountain section. These are post-trial speculations. No one seems to doubt that the verdict Little in Columbia-Dead Man Upbraided Slayer for Not Speaking to His Wife. here to-day will help Blackburn in his fight for Congress in the coming Observer Bureau,

1209 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., April 20.

election, and that it was just. Court convened at 9:30 this morning A homicide, surrounded by more or and proceeded immediately to busi-ness, Judge Lewis was busy with the ess mysterious circumstances, occurred last night about midnight when clerks and deputies, getting his array Clarence Daniels was shot and killed of reference books in position, when by William P. Little, a fellow employe the gavel tapped, but by the time the the gavel tapped, but by the time the crowd settled he was ready for ac-tion. Judge Lewis is a peculiar lookthe service of the street car con pany. The men had always been the best of friends. The tragedy occurred ing man, being tall, angular and loose near the car barns while they were ly knit together, with sharp face and en route home after the day's work, broad chin. His eye is keen and alert, Little went at once to police head-

surrender

Little

JUDGE LEWIS' SPEECH. In addressing the jury is high time, gentlemen of the jury, to return to the case that you are sworn to try. Several gentle spoke to you, yesterday, but it did seem that they talked about almost everything but the case before you, Whu brought this case here?. If the defendant had not violated the laws of the United States he would not have been put on trial. If he had done his duty been and been true to his trust he would not have submitted to this humiliation. The government has been no re-spector of persons when enforcing this law. An investigation was ordered in this case and the indictments followed. You have heard read the section under which the defendant is indicted, and you know what the law is. There are three branches to the case, ly, the Krider, the Dinkins and the Davis branch "I shall address the court on certain points. The learned counsel for Blackburn say that there is not one sintilla of evidence against the defendant. Why is this great array of lawyer here?" The speaker read the decision of the Supreme Court on "what is a reason-able doubt in the case of Dunbar against the United States. What was the scope and the meaning of the contracts made Blackburn and Krider and Blackburn and Eddleman?" asked Judge Lewis. He cited a number of cases to show what a contract means, one of which was the Railroad company against Tremble. Having referred to decisions Judge Lewis launched into a careful and elaborate discussion of the evidence as fought out on the stand. Attention was called to the facts that Krider's property had be seized, that Blackburn was engaged to look after it and that \$50 was paid for services rendered. Eddleman e ployed Blackburn and gave him 55 Mr. Sams had warned Mr. Black going so far as to show him the statate. The speaker argued that Krider was in trouble and wanted to get out. He had been in court before and did nor want to go there again. He sought an immediate settlement. He knew that Bickburn, this man of power, could go to John W. Yerkes, Commis-sioner of Internal Revenue. The letter of Blackburn to Harkins was read to back up these contentions. The speaker argued that Krider w STRONG APPEAL TO JURI. Judge Lewis made a strong appeal to the jury, asking that the letter from Blackburn, from Green Park, to Kri-der, enclosing Harkins' letter, advising that money to defray cartain expenses, be deposited with him. In closing his letter to Blackburn bad urged Krider to return the Harkins letter to him. The letters went from Green Park in an official envelope, cearing the trank of the government, but signed Black-burn, "altorney." Judge Lewis considered the toregoing STRONG APPEAL TO JURY. an orice average of the government burn, "attorney." Judge Lewis con details of very s would give him (Blackbur would give him (Blackbur would keep off the selaure Eddleman said," declared a Blackburn wor ra was to

consideration.

The fire is practically under control. A clear sky over the Mission district shows that the fire there has been extinguished. The spread of the flames toward the western addition, the best part of the city remaining, has been stayed, and the only portion of the conflagration that demands the attention of the firemen is that extending from the Nob Hill section down to the northwestern part of the water front. The western addition danger was averted at 2:30 o'clock this morning by the use of gun cotton, dynamite and two streams of water. The explosives were handled by the chief gunner of the Mare Island navy yard and his accomplishments proved him to be a master of his profession.

50,000 GET LOAF APIECE. The work of relief was started early to-day. A big bakery in the saved district started its ovens and arranged to bake 50,000 loaves of bread before night. Thousands of people were in line this morning before the California street bakery. The police and mil-Itary were present in force and each person was allowed only one loaf.

The homeless people in the parks and vacant lots were provided for to-day as speedily as possible.

SUFFERING INDESCRIBAGLE. The destitution and suffering is indescribable. Woman and children who had comfortable homes a few days ago slept last night-if sleep came at allon hay on the wharves, on the sand lots near North Beach, some of them under the little tents made of shceting which poorly protected them from the chilling ocean winds. The people in the parks are possibly better off in the matter of shelter, for they left their homes better prepared. Instructions were issued by Mayor Schmitz to-day to break open every store containing provisions and to distribute them to the thousands under police supervision. The Young Mens Hebrew Association hall near Golden Gate Park has been stocked with provisions for the use of needy victims in the adjacent fields.

ORDER ASTONISHINGLY GOOD. ORDER ASTONISHINGET GOOD. Both the mayor and Chief of Po-lice Dinan, when asked for statements by the Associated Press, expressed themselves as thankful that the fire was virtually controlled. Captain Di-nare said that the order maintained fairs astonished him. He thought it due to early severe measures taken by the soldiers and police in shooting

by the soldiers and police in shooting down offenders. Two men were shot and killed this morning. Policeman Flood on enter-ing his home encountered a stranger who sttacked him. Flood shot him dead. Special Policeman Snyder killed a man but the details are not known.

ONE BANK ESCAPED. The only bank in the huge ruined district that escaped destruction was the Market street bank, at the corner of Seventh and Market streats. It is in the gutted Grand building, but the firemen saved the ground floor. It will bay out money just as soon as it hears from the clearing house officials. A corner of the city near the Pa-ific Mail wharves at Becond and Bran-tan streets with not ruined, and the failors' Home is intact. The Postal The only bank in the huge ruined

From a three-story lodging g house Fifth and Minna streets which cold Wednesday morning, more than was to rush for their trains, which 75 bodies were taken out to-day. There however, happened to be across the bay. Rossi, a favorite basso, though are 50 other dead bodies in sight of the ruins. This building was one of the first to take fire on Fifth street. At almost in tears, was heard trying his least 100 persons were killed in the Cosmopolitan, on Fourth street. voice at a corner near the Palace Hotel. Gradually calm was restortd, The only building standing between and taking a lesson from the coolness Mission, Howard, East and Stewart of the Californians, the artists began

In buildings close to the camps the

RELY ON THE BIG CITIES.

The grave question is: How soon will

are

streets is the San Pablo Hotel, which is occupied and running. than it might have been. The shot tower at First and Howard CHOCOLATE AND SARDINES. streets is gone. This landmark was built 40 years ago. The Risdon Iron Nearly all suffered more or less from the sudden cutting off from the Works is partly destroyed. The Great Western Smelting and Refining Works escaped damage, also the Mufood supply. A rush was made

the nearest grocery stores and baskets were quickiy filled with provisions tual Electric Light Works, the Ameriwhat wine could be secured becan Rubber Company, the Vista Gas and fore the closing of the liquor estab-Engine Company, and Folger Brothers' shments. The next day many were coffee and spice house. Many persons dropped dead to-day of heat and suffocation. reduced to a diet of bread, chocolate and sardines.

More than 150 persons are reported Mr. Campanari, the baritone, dead in the Brunswick Hotel, Seventh sembled an emigrant when he board. ed the overland train. He carried his and Mission streets. kit tied in a gay-colored blanket on

GRASS THE BED OF MOST.

"It is such a change," Golden Gate Park Now a Vast Mush said. Another one of the party wore the Room/ City in Which Common Suffering Has Wiped Out All So-cial, Financial and Racial Distincflowing garb of an Arab chief and all were more or less picturesquely cos-tumed. It was at this period that a tions-Even Cemeteries Crowded. San Francisco, April 20.-Next to

charming contraito had been compelied to don some very necessary arviewing the many square miles of ticles of attire which had been origiruins that once made San Francisco nally designed for a gentleman. a city, no better realization of the

ruin that has come to this place can be gained than by visiting the refuge camps located in the districts which were untouched by the flames. Golden Gate Park was the Meeca of the desti-NEW YORK RAISES \$1,000,000. Chamber of Commerce Announce \$343,320 for Sufferers, Inc. \$100,000 From Andrew Carn tute. This immense play ground of the municipality has been converted into Wm. Waldorf Astor Cables \$100, 000-Other Large Contributions. a vast mushroom city that bears striking resemblance to the fleeting towns located on the border of a gov-New York, April 20.-More, than 1.000,000 was subscribed in this city

ernment reservation about to be open-ed to public settlement. The common destitution and sufferto-day toward the relief of the suf-ferers in San Francisco and other Galifornia cities affected by the reing have wiped out all social, financial and racial distinctions. The man who cent disaster. This was the first day of partly organized effort at securing funds. The mayor's committee of last Tuesday was a prosperous merch-ant is occupying with his family a little plot of ground that adjoins the funds. The mayor's committee of citizens to-night announced a total of subscriptions received of \$1\$7,013. Of this sum, \$25,000 came anonymously from "A Friend of Humanity." The chamber of community." open air home of a laborer. The white man in California has forgotten his antipathy to the Asiatic race and is this sum, \$25,000 came anonymously from "A Friend of Humanity." The chamber of commerce an-nounced that it had received \$342,-320 to-day, including a gift of \$100,0 000 from Andrew Carnegio. Wm. Waldorf Astor cabled a subscription of \$100,000. The United States Steet Corporation voted \$100,000 to be ex-pended in relief work. The Standard Oll Company directed that a fike sum be spent. John D. Bockefeller yes-issday personally subscribed \$100.-600. The Merchants' Association of New York received \$47,200 as a re-suit of its first day's efforts and the State Society of the National Red Cross received \$46,105. Other or-ginizations and several newspapers received contributions. There was no way of reckoring to-night the exact sum subscribed here. Conservative set mates indicate that the total com-tributions from this city will not be less han \$3,000,000. Funds raised by maintaining friendly relations with his new Chinese and Japanese neighbors. The society belle who Tuesday night was a butterfly of fashion at the grand,

The society belle who Tuesday night was a butterfly of fashion at the grand, opera performance, was assisting some factory girl in the preparation of hum-ble daily meals. Money this afternoon had fittle value. The family which had had foresight to lay in the largest stock of foodstuffs on the first day of the disaster is rated highest in the scale of wealth. A few of the families who could se-cure willing stores, but over 25 per cent, of the refugees are doing their cooking on little camp fires made out of high value. Many of the beneless people are in possession of comfortable clothing and bed covering, but the great built of them are in need. The greast is their bed and their daily clothing their only protection against the pretrating fog of the ocean or the chilling dow of the morning. Fresh mest disappeared Wednesday morning and canned goods and breadstuffs are the only victuals in evidence. tributions from this city will not less han \$3,000,000. Funds raised the mayor's committee will be se

San Jose, Cal. April 20.-Nh persons were killed in San Jos utire business of Wednessen Jos

disappearts disappearts only victuals in evidence, of alone are the parks the refuge. Every large vaces some has been p compteries ar The damage dred and ten seventy were at Agnews In ng lady of so

Richmond, Va., April 20.-At a mass meeting of the citizens of Richmond to-night a resolution was adopted in structing Mayor McCarty to appoint committee of twenty-five to can tess the city for the San Francisco sufferers for subscriptions. The committee was named by the mayor to-night and will begin work to-morto regard their plight as less serious row.

A considerable fund has already been raised in this city.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 20.—At a meeting of citizens held for the pur-pose of raising money for the alleviafor tion of suffering from earthquake and fire in California the sum of \$7,070 was contributed in an hour. At the rate at which contributions are being sent to the committee it is believed that over

\$10,000 will be raised. The musicians of Jacksonville will give an entertainment for the benefit of the sufferers.

Wilmington, April 20 .- At a meethis shoulder, but was in good spirits ng of the city council to-night & resowas all he lution of sympathy was unanimously and an appropriation of \$1, 000 was made for the San Francisco sufferers, supplementing other funds

being raised by the local chamber f commerce and the Wilmington dge of Elks.

Birmingham, Ala., April 20.-At a called meeting of the Jewish residents f Birmingham at Temple Emanuel o-night, more than \$500 was raised in a few minutes for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers.

It is to be distributed to sufferers rrespective of creed.

Including

Killed and \$5,000,000 D

St. Augustine, Fla., April 20.-Rt. Rev. Bishop Wm. J. Kenny, of the di-ocesse of St. Augustine has ordered a special collection to be taken in all the Catholic churches of the diocese for the benefit of California earthquake and fire sufferers.

Norfolk, Va., April 20.-Resolutions appropriating \$5,000 for the relief of Ban Francisco sufferers have been prepared by the finance com-mittee of the city councils and will be passed at a special joint council neeting to-morrow.

Columbus, Ga., April 20.—The city council this afternoon passed resolutions of sympathy for San Fran-cisco and made an appropriation of \$500 for the California sufferers.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 20. Chattanooga to-day raised over \$2,disaster. The fund is apidly growing.

Pensacola, Pla., April 20.-Citizens of Pensacola, in mass meeting as-sembled, to-night subscribed \$1,000 for benefit of San Francisco sufferers.

April 20.--E. H. Har Omaha, Neb., April 28.--E. H. Har-riman, on behalf of the Union Pacific, the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, the Oregon Bhort Line and the Southern Pacific, to-day author-sed the expenditure of 2200,000 in re-lief work in San Francisco. In ad-tion to this, all the above lines will hauti all relief supplies free of charge and in many cases they will be for-warded on passenger trains with ex-pediated service. Omaha, Neb.,

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as 55,000,000 killed and persons were killed and injured, mostly patients injured, mostly patients ck for \$1,000. shington, April 20-President sveit to-day sent & check for \$1,ast.

ment, is in Cincinnati at this time but he has sent word that he will come to Washington if possible. As now reads, the bill appropriates \$1,000,000, or rather makes that amount mmediately available, and Prof. Holmes, who has been here for weeks looking after the matter, says the friends of the measure have reason to hope that the bill will pass both the House and the Senate before the close of the present session. Heretothe Senate has appeared to refore gard this bill with more or less favor, but the House leaders have ways been the uncertain quantity. Since the opening of the present ses-sion, however, Speaker Cannon, the the particularly uncertain factor, has not been sounded on the subject. The provisions of the present bill, as it will be considered next week, were drawn under the direction of Senator Overman. THE PAN-AMERICAN CONFER-

FERENCE.

A number of the Southern members of the House have been to the White House to talk to the President about the approaching Pan-American Con-ference at Rio Janeiro. They want the President to instruct the dele-gates who will comprise the American commission to devote some attention to the cotton and other manufacturing interests of the South. Repre-sentative Underwood, of Alabama, and Representative Livingstone, of Georgia, are among the Southerners who have discussed the subject with the President. The act of former Governor Aycock in declining the appoint-ment as a member of this commission has moved a number of the newspa-per correspondents here to comment. One of them remarked: "Congress appropriated \$75,900 to be spent on

this delegation, and there will not only be an allowance for all sorts of expenses, but there will be a per diem allowance, which will, before the thing is over, net each member of the delegation about \$5,000. It is the greatest junket planned in modern times, heading off even the Spanish-American commission that spent a few weeks in Paris at the government's expense, There will be chefs there from all the Latin American republics, and all a man will have to do will be to sample new dishes and drink champagne, all paid for by somebody else." The beys cannot understand why anybody would be smooth an emportunity or movid

let such an opportunity go uncultivated.

STATE D. A. R.'S GIVE \$500. The North Carolina ladies who are attending the sessions of the D. A. R. announced at a recent session that their chapter had contributed \$500 totheir chapter had contributed 3500 to-wards the erection of the handsome hall in this city. This contribution compared very well with the amounts that were given by the chapters of other States. Chairman Bollins and National Com-mittgeman Duncan have returned to their homes, but they left Judge Doug-less on guard. He is at the Raleigh Hotel

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wept the town of Mariquina, in Risel revince. Many thousands of persons are precises and starving. Two thousand veilings are in ruins. The povernment is rating subsistance to the sufferers. Fire also destroyed Pusil, near the town Cebu, Two hundred dwellings were urged and many persons are homeless.

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uarters and Walker empanneled a jury Coroner and held an inquest over the body of Daniels to-night in the undertaker's shop where it lay. Several witnesses were examined. There were no eye witnesses to the tragedy. From the testimony at the inquest it seems that wife complained to him Daniel's terday that she met Little and he did not raise his hat to her. When approached by Daniels on the subject Little told him that, when he met Mrs. Daniels he had his hands full of car tickets and could not raise his hat. A number of witnesses said they heard Little say he did not want to have any trouble with Daniels. Even last night, after there was evidence of approaching trouble, Little went back to the car barn and said he did not want to have any trouble with his friend. No verdict has as yet been rendered.' Daniels leaves a widow and four children. Little was unmarried.

TO BE REORGANIZED.

South Atlantic Oil Co., With \$850,000 Capital, to Take Over Property of **Bankrupt Independent Cotton Oil**

Observer Bureau.

1209 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., April 20. apendent Cotton Oll Com-The Independent Cotton pany, whose spectacular failure last year was followed by the suicide of its president, Robert Keith Dargan, and that of others who lost in the collapse of the million dollar concern which had such a rocket career, is to be re-organized. Attorney T. Moultrie Mordecal and other Charleston lawyers having interested themselves to get the property back on a busi-ness basis. The several mills of the company are now lying idle, tht property being in the hands of the Federal Court in bankruptcy proceedings with

the upset price set at \$200,000. The secretary of State to-day issued a commission to the South Atlantic Oil Company, of Darlington, which it is thought, will take over the old concern and start up the mills again. The capital of the new company \$850,000, but of this \$700,000 is to common stock, the remainder being in 7 per cent preferred stock. The corporators are Samuel S. Buist and P. Edwin Gregory, both of Charleston.

DUKE DIVORCE CASE.

It is Scheduled to Come Up for Hearing in Newark, N. J., Monday. Special to The Observer.

Newark, N. J., April 20.-Cablegrams and telegrams alleged to have passed between Mrs. Lillian N .Duke, who is being such for divorce by James B. Duke, the millionaire to-bacco man, and Frank T. Huntoon, the co-respondent in the case, are the the co-respondent in the case, are the subject of a report which Herbert W. Knight, as special master, has filed. The cablegrams wire read at a re-cent hearing. The Duke filvorce trial will begin before Vice Chancellor Pit-ney, in Newark, Monday. A prelimi-nary jurisdiction phase of the case was tried before Mr. Pitney several months ago, Mrs. Duke having rais-ed the contention that neither she nor Mr. Duke is a resident of New Jersey. The vice chancellor decided the isom adverseley to Mrs. Duke and was ana-tained by the full bench of the Court ey to Mrs. Duke and was suppy the full bench of the Court

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