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THE "DISASTER" APPALLING.

MARTINIQUE ISLAND SCOURGED.

St. Pierre With All Its Inhabitants Destroyed With Fire—Loss of Life May be 40,000.

The disaster in the Spanish West Indies in which St. Pierre was destroyed seems to have been one of the worst in the world's history. The highest estimate is now 40,000 people destroyed.

Consul Ayme dispatched the Secretary of State from Point-a-Pitre on the 9th as follows:

"At 7 o'clock a. m., on the 8th inst., a storm of steam, mud and fire enveloped the city and roadstead of St. Pierre, destroying every house in the city and community. Not more than 20 persons escaped with their lives. Eighteen vessels were burned and sunk with all on board, including four American vessels and a steamer from Quebec, named Rosaima. The United States consul and family are reported among the victims."

The scene was terrible. The atmosphere was darkened except by the flames which fell on the shipping in the harbor and caught them on fire. The Rosaima, a vessel from Quebec, was seen to explode and of course all on board perished.

Boats that ventured as near as possible to shore could see no living people.

The commander of a French vessel in a dispatch to Paris says:

"I have just returned from St. Pierre, which has been completely destroyed by an immense mass of fire which fell on the town at about 8 o'clock in the morning. The entire population (about 25,000), is supposed to have perished. I have brought back the few survivors about 30. All the shipping in the harbor has been destroyed. The eruption continues."

A St. Thomas dispatch of 9th says:

"It is now estimated that 40,000 persons perished a result of the volcanic eruption in the island of Martinique."

Matress Factory for Salisbury.

Salisbury will soon have a matress factory. Mr. F. L. Robbins was elected president and treasurer of the company. They will erect a nice brick building near the Kestler cotton mill. The company has a paid up capital stock of \$10,000.

Smallpox at McAdensville.

The Charlotte News has received the intelligence that small pox is rampant at McAdensville. There are 12 cases, beside 23 cases called chicken pox. One death has occurred from the disease.

THE SOUTHERN HAS ANOTHER WRECK.

One Man Killed—Two Collisions—Accident Near Lynchburg, Va.

A Lynchburg dispatch of the 8th says one man was killed and several cars were wrecked in a collision on the Southern Railway here this morning. Some loaded freight cars were being shifted at Wilmers, four miles south of here, and 15 of them were left standing on a heavy down grade. The air brakes and hand brakes were both set, but the air pipes leaked and before this could be remedied the heavy train started down grade toward the city. By the time it turned into Jefferson street it was making probably 60 miles an hour. A yard engine was moving along the track toward the runaway. The engineer reversed the engine, then he and his brakeman and flagman jumped. The crash came a moment later, derailing a number of the cars and thus stopping the train.

The reversed engine then started up the track with a caboose in front and ran into an engine attached to a freight train. The caboose caught fire and was burned up, and this ended the chapter of accidents. Injuries sustained by Flagman Owen Fields, in his jump from the engine before the first collision, proved fatal in a few hours. None of the others was seriously hurt.

Senator Simmons.

It is gratifying to the many friends of Senator Simmons in this State to see the stand he has taken in the United States Senate. His speech upon the Philippine question is considered by the newspapers of the State as a masterpiece. It clearly shows that Senator Simmons is destined to make a great name in the United States Senate, and the people of the State may well feel proud that he was elected to this exalted position. He is a statesman and a leader of men.—Statesville Mascot.

Mr. A. Buford, of Henderson, Succeeds Mr. Irving Proctor.

Mr. A. Buford, of Henderson, N. C., arrived in the city yesterday and today took charge as the Southern freight agent here, succeeding Mr. Irving Proctor, who recently resigned. Mr. Buford has been in the railroad service fifteen years and is both an efficient agent and a popular gentleman personally. It will be a source of gratification to Mr. Proctor's many friends here to know that he will remain in Salisbury. He will conduct a commission business in the rooms now occupied by the Western Grain Company.—Salisbury Sun of 9th.

SAD DEATH OF TWO STUDENTS.

Brown University, of Charlottesville, Va., Burns and Two Young Men Perish in the Flames.

Young Mr. P. Agnew McNeale, of Washington, D. C., and J. C. Knox, Jr., of Richmond, lost their lives in a fire that burned Brown's University school at Charlottesville, Va., on the 7th inst. The young men were popular and are deeply mourned.

A Father Kills His Child.

Lenoir, May 9.—Reddick Freeman, who lives at Hudson, six miles south of Lenoir, was placed in jail here last night on a bill of indictment charging him with the murder of his 15-month-old child. The only direct testimony was that of his wife, who states that in a fit of rage some weeks ago he handled the infant most cruelly, as a result of which it died about two weeks ago. Neighborhood talk since its burial resulted in Freeman's arrest last night and the coroner's investigation today. The autopsy by the coroner and Dr. Kent, county physician, revealed unmistakable evidences of violence. Freeman is one of a family which has figured in almost every county court for twenty years, himself having served a term in the penitentiary for arson.

Sad and Singular Suicide.

A young man named Burrus committed suicide yesterday near Rockford in a peculiar way. An uncle of the deceased who conducts the hotel at Rockford, informed a gentleman who came in on the Wilkesboro train last evening that the nephew had been in bad health for some time. This produced despondency, causing the young man to end his life. After taking a large dose of morphine, he went out in the woods and stuck his head between two saplings, which had grown close together. He was dead when found. The family believe the morphine alone would have killed him, had he not adopted this strange plan of hanging himself. The deceased leaves a wife and two small children. He was industrious and his death is mourned by many friends.—Winston Sentinel.

Bugs Play Havoc.

We are informed that bugs are eating nearly every green thing that dares to make its appearance in the Mt. Holly section. Potato bugs are not the only kind. Among them is one smaller than the potato bug red and green speckled. Another is green and black speckled. Tomatoes, cucumbers, mustard and all kinds of garden vegetables are eaten up.—Gastonia News.

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Dr. W. H. Wakefield,

CHARLOTTE, N. C.,

limits his practice to diseases of

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

The doctor will be in Mt. Pleasant at Mrs. Welsh's Hotel on Wednesday, May 28th, for one day only.