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Eastern Canada And New England Shaken By Quake

Big Earthshock Shortly Afternoon Gives Many A Scare

Quiver Lasts Six Minutes

New York And Surround- ing Cities Get A Brief Shock

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 11.—An earthquake shook up Ottawa at 1:35 this afternoon, and gave the people a bad scare, but did no damage. It was felt throughout the city and in Montreal, Toronto, London, Hamilton, Quebec and nearly all Ontario and Quebec towns send similar reports tonight. It occurred during the lunch hour in the Parliamentary restaurant, and upset the nerves of members of Parliament, rattling glasses and shaking the portraits of royalty and statesmen in the parliamentary buildings out of line.

The shock was distinctly felt for nearly a minute, and the seismograph in the Dominion observatory here showed that it lasted six minutes. Occupants in high office buildings fled from the rooms, and a small panic occurred in the Bell Telephone company's exchange.

Dr. Otto Klotz, Dominion astronomer, in charge of the observatory, said:

"This earthquake may be called a real Canadian earthquake, for its epicentre was between seventy and seventy-five miles from Ottawa, but I have not worked out the direction of the epicentre from here. It was a much more severe earthquake than the one felt here in April, last year, and that one covered an area of 25,000 square miles.

"About an hour before our seismograph recorded another earthquake, whose epicentre was several thousand miles from here, but it bore no relation to the latter one."

As After An Explosion.

New York, Feb. 11.—After news began to come in from various parts of the State that something had gone wrong with the earth's crust in these parts folks were found here and there in this city who said they had felt the shocks. The great majority of New York city folks, however, were not aware that anything unusual had taken place.

Across the bridge in Brooklyn, the telephone wires to police headquarters and newspaper offices were burdened with inquiries by sharp-eyed and sensitive folks, who wanted to know if there had been an explosion or something. As the messages were received shortly after the seismograph at the American Museum of Natural History showed disturbances between 1:33:15 p. m. and lasting until 1:33:30, they were accepted as establishing the fact that Brooklynites had experienced a decided sensation.

William Siebert, traffic manager of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, was standing on the

second floor of the company's building and felt a slight tremor of the building. At the same time he noticed distilled water ripples up in a bottle, as if it had been jarred by an unseen hand.

It was reported by professors and students at the Brooklyn Polytechnic institute that a slight shock had been felt both in the heights and the down-town section.

Guests and attendants at the Hotel Margaret, on Columbia Heights, were positive they felt vibrations, which were attributed at first to a distant explosion, but people at the St. George, not far away, were undisturbed.

HANS SCHMIDT SENTENCED TO DIE.

New York, Feb. 11.—Hans Schmidt convicted last week of the murder of Anna Amueller, was today sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison during the week of March 23.

PREMIUM DAY AT THE STAR.

Today is premium day at the Star theatre. In addition to this pictures of New Bern's school children will be thrown on the screen. This is an added treat for the youngsters, and will doubtless prove to be a drawing card.

Keith's Vaudeville At The Athens Today.

Two New Double Acts.

Gladys Van and Arthur Pearce A bright comedy, talking and singing act.

Tuscanno Brothers. Juggling and battle axe throwing.

Both of the above acts have been playing the Victoria theatre Wilmington, first half of the week to packed houses.

PICTURES.

"The Hazard Of Youth." One of Lubin's latest and best dramas.

"The Stolen Heart."

A Selig comedy drama

"How the Day was Saved."

A Biograph farce comedy.

"Binks' Vacation."

Another Biograph farce comedy.

We will give away at Matinee today five of those beautiful colonial and calendar souvenir plates, and tonight a handsome 42 piece china tea set and five colonial and calendar souvenir plates.

These prizes are worth trying for, besides we give you the best show for the money of any place in the State.

Think of seeing two of Keith's vaudeville acts, three reels of late association pictures and a chance at all the prizes we give away. Can you resist? We say not.

Matinee daily at 3:45, two shows at night, first starts at 7:30, second at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Will Morton of this city, drew the 42 piece china tea set last night, and the five colonial and calendar souvenir plates were drawn by various persons.

WILLIAM PITTS MISSING SINCE MONDAY NIGHT

Was Last Seen By Policeman
Fulcher.

WAS AT UNION DEPOT

Left Home To Serve Papers On Negro In Pavie- town.

Where is William Pitts? Mr. Pitts is missing, whether he has been murdered, drowned, or left the city of his own free will is a matter which is giving his wife and the authorities who have been called in to unravel the mystery, much concern.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitts came to New Bern on September 9, last, from Morehead City and have, since that time, resided at No. 216 New South Front street. Mr. Pitts is a mechanic by trade but, for several weeks past, has been acting as a special deputy for Justice of the Peace W. F. Hill.

Last Monday night he left his home at 8:30, telling his wife that he had some papers to serve up in Pavietown and that he would be back within a short time. At 9:30 he returned, telling his wife that he could not find the men he was in search of and that he intended making another trip a little later on.

At 10:45 Mr. Pitts again left the house, telling Mrs. Pitts that he would not be gone for more than an hour or an hour and a half. That was the last time she saw her husband. Thinking that he would return within the time specified she sat up awaiting his return. Midnight came, then the clock struck one and still Mr. Pitts had not shown up. At 1:30 o'clock Mrs. Pitts retired but did not at once go to sleep. About 2 o'clock she heard three reports from a revolver, this sound coming from in the direction taken by her husband. A short time later some one walked up on the front porch and turned the knob of the door. Thinking that her husband had returned Mrs. Pitts arose, went to the door and inquired if it was he. She received no answer and upon going to a nearby window and looking out, saw no one, either on the porch or in the yard.

On Tuesday morning the matter was reported to the authorities and they began a search for the missing man. It has been ascertained that he was at the New Bern Cotton Oil Company's mill at 11:40 and at that place had a short talk with Buck Balance, the watchman. Mr. Balance says that Mr. Pitts told him that he and two other men were out on a "scout" and that a short time later he left that section. Shortly after midnight Policeman Fulcher saw him at the union passenger station and, so far as is known, he has not been seen since that time.

There is much speculation as to what has become of Mr. Pitts. There is not the slightest reason to believe that he had intended not to return for when he left home his wife tried to induce him to take along his overcoat but he told her that he would not be away for any length of time and would not need it. So far as is known he had no personal enemies who could have wished to get him out of the way and

DOUGLAS L. M'KAY



Douglas L. McKay occupies the important position of commissioner of police of New York City, under Mayor Mitchell. This specially posed photograph of Mr. McKay was taken at police headquarters.

HASKINS PARENTS MAY SUE STEAMBOAT CO.

MAY CLAIM DAMAGES FOR HIS DEATH ON MONROE.

There is a probability that a large number of damage suits will arise from the sinking of the steamship Monroe a few weeks ago by the steamer Nantucket of the Merchants and Miners line. A visitor in the city yesterday from Pamlico county told a Journal reporter that Claud Haskins, father of Braxton Haskins, a member of the crew of the Monroe was contemplating entering suit against the Merchants and Miners Company.

The first suit started by an individual was begun yesterday when Mrs. Nellie Ray, widow of James F. Ray, of New York, who perished when the Old Dominion liner Monroe was lost at sea, January 30 and who herself narrowly escaped with her life, brought suit in the State Court at Norfolk against the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company, claiming \$50,000 damages for the loss of her husband. Death claims in Virginia are limited to \$10,000. This action is based on the fact that the accident occurred at sea. The Merchants' and Miners' seek to consolidate the Ray claim with the Federal Court proceedings in which limited liability was asked.

It is not believed that he was murdered by anyone while in the colored section of the city, for it is believed that his body would have been found ere this. It is possible that he has fallen into the river at some point and was drowned, however this is not probable for, so far as is known, his business did not call him to any point near the water. This disappearance is indeed a mystery and the police and county authorities are somewhat baffled and at sea as to what direction to take in making a search for the missing man.

Yesterday Sheriff Lane and his deputies were out all during the day making an investigation and were even at work on the case last night, but did not find a single clue of value. They will continue this investigation today with the help of the city authorities and hope to be able to find some trace of the missing man.

GRAVEN COUNTY HEALTH BOARD HOLDS MEETING

Adopts New Set Of Resolu-
tions.

ARE OF MUCH INTEREST

Requirements In Case Of Di- sease Of Contagious Nature.

At a meeting a few days ago of the Craven county Board of Health the following rules and regulations, which will become effective next Sunday, were adopted. Citizens of the county will do well to clip this article and save for future reverence.

Section 1. Reporting Contagious and Infectious Diseases. On the appearance of any of the following diseases, viz., Measles, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Small Pox, Diphtheria, Yellow Fever, Bubonic Plague, Cholera, Typhus Fever, Chicken Pox, Typhoid Fever, Mumps and Tuberculosis in any section of Craven county, it shall be the duty of every householder residing in a building in which said disease occurs and the attending physician within twenty-four (24) hours after the discovery of said disease, to report the same to the Quarantine Officer of Craven county, provided if said disease occurs in any town or city it shall be reported to Quarantine Officer of said town or city, if there is a quarantine officer in said town or city, otherwise it shall be reported to Quarantine Officer of the County.

Section 2. Placarding in case of certain contagious and Infectious Diseases. It shall be the duty of said Quarantine Officer as soon as he learns of the occurrence of any of the diseases enumerated in Section 1 to placard the building in which said disease occurs in such a way as to warn the public of the presence of such disease, provided that this shall not apply to Tuberculosis.

Section 3. Quarantine. Upon the appearance of any of the diseases hereafter mentioned, the Quarantine Officer and the householder shall maintain an effective quarantine as follows, viz:—

(1) Whole house is to be quarantined for Yellow Fever, Bubonic Plague, Typhus Fever and Cholera.

(2) Room in which patient is confined is to be quarantined; Measles for twenty-one (21) days or until cessation of catarrhal symptoms, provided in no case of Measles shall quarantine be lifted until catarrhal symptoms have disappeared.

Scarlet Fever for forty-two (42) days, or until cessation of desquamation (until peeling stops), provided in no case of Scarlet Fever shall quarantine be lifted until cessation of declamation.

Diphtheria twenty-eight (28) days or until two negative swabs are obtained, provided in no case of Diphtheria shall quarantine be lifted until two negative swabs are obtained.

Section 4. Whooping Cough. In every case of Whooping Cough during a period of ninety (90) days from the discovery of said disease, the patient when out of the building in which he lives shall have displayed upon his person a yellow ribbon with word "Whooping Cough" written or
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ANOTHER LARGE BUILDING TO BE ERECTED HERE

Three Story Structure To
Grace Middle Street.

WORK TO START SOON

O. Marks And Son Will Erect And Own The Build- ing.

Middle street can soon boast of another mammoth brick and stone building, this to be erected at an early date or the West side of Middle street between Pollock and South Front by O. Marks & Son, wholesale merchants. The exact location will be on the site of the wooden structures now occupied by the Wooten Moulton Studio, Haven's shoe repair shop and S. Blumgardt's store.

O. Marks & Son have been contemplating the erection of this building for some time but not until yesterday was the contract for its erection awarded to the firm of Rhodes & Underwood, contractors of this city. The structure will be three stories in height, will be forty-seven feet wide and one hundred and seventy feet long. Pressed brick and stone will be used almost exclusively in its construction, and the work of construction will be started during the course of the next three weeks, or as soon as the buildings now on the site can be vacated and razed.

In 1865 O. Marks opened up a retail establishment in New Bern. From the very first the store was well patronized and business increased each year until, in 1887, Mr. Marks decided to go into the wholesale business, and in 1891 he took into co-partnership with him his sons M. M. and H. B. Marks and the firm's name was changed to O. Marks & Son.

During all this time their establishment was located on the Southwest corner of Middle and Pollock streets and the building has become somewhat of a landmark. While carrying an extensive line of all kinds of dry goods and merchandise, the firm specializes on shoes and are one of the largest wholesale shoe houses between Richmond, Va., and Atlanta, Ga., having seven or eight salesmen on the road with their goods.

Business has been continually increasing and the firm, some time ago, saw the necessity of having larger quarters, and then it was definitely decided to erect this new building. As soon as this has been completed the firm will occupy the new building, carrying a more extensive stock and also employing a larger force of travelling representatives, and in fact it is their intention to become one of the largest wholesale houses in the South.

BASKETBALL GAMES HERE TOMORROW.

Two basketball teams from the Kinston High School, one composed of boys and the other of young ladies, will arrive in New Bern tomorrow morning and in the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, will play two teams from the New Bern High School, on the school campus. An admission fee of twenty-five cents will be charged and the public is invited to attend.