

# THE HORRORS OF THE EARTHQUAKE

It Came Without Warning--The Buildings Shattered and Collapsed--Fire Adds to the Horrors--Terrific Heat--Sad Scenes on Every Hand--People Fleeing.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The dreadful earthquake shock came without warning at precisely 5:13 o'clock this morning, its motion apparently being from east to west. At first the upheaval of the earth was gradual, but in a few seconds it increased in intensity. Chimneys began to fall and buildings to crack, tottering on their foundations. The people became panic-stricken, and

rushed into the streets, most of them in their night attire. They were met by showers of falling buildings, bricks, cornices and walls. Many were instantly crushed to death, while others were dreadfully mangled. Those who remained indoors generally escaped with their lives, though scores were hit by detached plaster, pictures and articles thrown to the floor by the

**shock.**  
**MANY BUILDINGS SHATTERED.**  
It is believed that more or less loss was sustained by nearly every family in the city. The tall steel frame structures stood the strain better than the brick buildings, few of them being badly damaged. The big eleven-story Monadnock, office building, in course of construction, adjoining the Palace Hotel, was an exception, however, its rear wall collapsing, and many cracks being made across its front.

Some of the docks and freight sheds along the waterfront slid into the Bay. Deep fissures opened in the filled-in ground near the Ship and Union Ferry depot. The high tower still stands, but will have to be torn down.

**CITY HALL COLLAPSED.**  
A portion of the new City Hall, which cost over seven million dollars, collapsed, the roof sliding into the courtyard, and smaller towers tumbling down. The great dome was moving but did not fall. The new Post Office, one of the finest in the United States, was badly battered. The Valencia Hotel, a four-story wooden building, sank into the basement a pile of splintered timbers, under which were pinned many dead and dying occupants of the house. The basement was full of water, and some of the helpless victims were drowned.

**FIRE ADDS TO HORROR.**  
Scarcely had the earth ceased to shake when fires broke out simultaneously in many places. The fire department promptly responded to the first calls for aid, but it was found that the water mains had been rendered useless by the underground movement. Fanned by a light breeze, the flames quickly spread and soon many blocks were seen to be doomed.

Then dynamite was resorted to, and the sound of frequent explosions added to the terror of the people. All efforts to stay the progress of the fire, however, proved futile. The South side of Market Street, from 9th Street to the Bay, was soon ablaze, the fire covering a belt two blocks wide. On this, the main thoroughfare of the city, are located many of the finest edifices in the city, including the Grand Parrott, Flood, Hall, Examiner and Monadnock buildings, the Palace and Grand Hotels and numerous wholesale houses.

At the same time the Commercial establishments and banks north of Market Street were burning. The burning district in this section of the city extended from Sanson Street to the waterfront and from Market Street to Broadway.

Fire also broke out in the Mission, and the entire City seemed to be in flames.

**HEAT WAS TERRIFIC.**  
The flames, fanned by the rising breeze, swept down the main streets until within a few hundred feet of the ferry depot, the high tower of which stood at a dangerous angle. The big wholesale grocery establishment of Weisman, Peck & Co., was on fire from cellar to roof, and the heat was so oppressive that passengers from the ferry boats were obliged to keep close to the water's edge in order to get past the burning structure.

It was impossible to reach the centre of the city from the bay, without skirting the shore for a long distance, so as to get entirely around the burning district. At about eight o'clock the Southern Pacific officials refused to allow any more passengers from trans-bay points to land, and sent back those already on the boats. The ferry and train service of the Key Route was entirely abandoned, owing to damage done to the power house by the earthquake at Emeryville.

**GUARD MILLIONS OF PROPERTY.**  
The soldiers have been ordered to shoot thieves and to guard with their lives the millions of dollars worth of property in the streets. Two companies of the First Cavalry Artillery have been detailed to patrol duty on Ellis Street, and two more companies are patrolling Broadway in the Italian section.

Mayor Schmitz sent out word to the bakeries and milk stations throughout the city that their food supplies must be harbored for the homeless. Provisions have already been made to place tents in every park in the city, and those who have lost all will be given food and shelter.

Early in the morning the prisoners confined in the city prison on the fifth floor of the Hall of Justice were transferred in irons to the basement of the structure. Later they were removed to the Broadway jail and if necessary arises they will be taken to a branch jail on the Mission road.

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**WILL PAY EVERY DOLLAR.**  
Commissioner Myron Wolf announced at noon that the eighty odd fire insurance companies interested had decided to pay dollar for dollar to everyone insured with them. The companies will not discriminate between fire and earthquake, and everyone insured will be paid to the extent of the loss. But two of the companies affected are Pacific Coast concerns. The others have their principal offices in the east or in Europe, and all will stand the loss without danger of failure.

One of the first orders issued by Chief of Police Dinan this morning was the closing of every saloon in the City, in order to prevent drink-crazed men from rioting in the City streets.

**CUT MAN'S ARTERIES.**  
A. W. Hussey came to the station at the Hall of Justice shortly before ten o'clock this morning and told how, at the direction of a policeman whom he did not know, he had cut the arteries in the wrists of a man pinned under timbers at the St. Katherine Hotel. According to the statement made by Hussey, the man was begging to be killed, and the policeman shot at him, but his aim was defective and the bullet went wide. The officer then headed Hussey a knife, with instructions to cut the veins in the suffering man's wrists, and Hussey obeyed orders to the letter.

Chief of Police Dinan directed that Hussey be locked up. There has been no opportunity to investigate his story, but the police believe that the awful calamity rendered him insane, and that the incident reported to them has no existence except in the man's imagination.

Mayor Schmitz sends out orders that physical sufferers be first attended to.

**BIG SHEDS COLLAPSED.**  
The sheds over the Southern Pacific long wharf on San Francisco Bay have completely collapsed, carrying with them thousands of tons of coal. The long wharf was one of the most important shipping points about the bay and freight traffic will be interrupted considerably.

From early morning the officers of the Western Union and Postal telegraph companies in Oakland have been filled with people in all walks of life filing messages of inquiry as to the condition of friends and interests in other cities of California which suffered from the earthquake shock.

The fire swept down the streets so rapidly that it was practically impossible to save anything in its way. It reached the Grand Opera House on Mission Street and in a moment had burrowed through the roof. The Metropolitan Opera House Company, from New York, had just opened its season there, and all the expensive scenery and costumes were soon reduced to ashes.

**FLEEING FROM THE CITY.**  
New York, April 18.—The Postal Telegraph Company received the following from San Francisco this afternoon: "We had to vacate office in San Francisco. The fire was gaining rapidly. The Palace Hotel has just caught fire, and they are preparing to dynamite the buildings across the street. There are no present means of getting business into the city, and no one is allowed to come in from any direction. The boats and trains from the city are crowded with refugees."

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