Graphic Description From Stricken Mar-

seilles and Toulon. (Correspondence New York Times.) I have made a five days' visit to this city, to Toulon, and to Arles, in order to learn

and report for American readers some facts and scenes in regard to the cholera. I have visited every 100m in every cholera hospital existing in Marseilles and Toulon, and have seen the wretched people dying in hospitals and in their own hovels, and buried at mid night in the cemeteries by the light o torches and lanterns. I have discussed al the phases of the epidemic exhaustively with the hospital doctors, with priests, and with nurses, and my conclusion is that the much-dreaded cholera, probably the most fatal and severe of all diseases to which human flesh is heir, is a thing of which no intelligent community of well-ordered lives and well-managed sewer pipes need have an alarming fear, even when brought into close contact with it, to say nothing of getting into a panic at a distance.

I took the night train for Marseilles, and arose for breakfast at 6 o'clock in the morning at Valence, some fifty miles south of Lyons, and watched the country carefully for signs of anxiety or commotion, but saw nothing unusual until Arles was reached. Here every window of the Spanish-looking houses was closed, so far as I could observe them, and in the streets of this town of 25,-000 people not a soul was to be seen. At the depot was congregated a melancholy crowd of poor people, the most of whom had bundles of clothing and various domestic articles tried up by means of bedclothes. They were waiting for the omnibus train-a train belonging to the third-class and miscellaneous in its character-that should carry them northward to Tarascon, which is in the same department as Arles, and to Beaucaire, on the opposite bank of the Rhone from Tarascon. During the day and night there had been thirteen deaths, and a fearful panic had prevailed in spite of the Archbishop's formal procession to the relics of the saints in the Cathedral of St. Trophimus.

On the first view that one gets of Marseilles no one would be apt to suspect, either from the appearance of the city itself or of the people he could see, that a pestilence had seized the town. It was estimated at the time of my arrival that fully 100,000 people had already left the city; but their absence was scarcely noticeable from the appearance of the streets. In one of the public squares a band of Italian musicians were playing to a throng of children and grown persons. The omnibuses and street cars were full of people as in ordinary times, while on the sidewalks, under the cafe awnings, nearly all the chairs were occupied, and the waiters were kept as busy as ever by the cheerful crowd of loungers. But at the sumptuous Hotel Noailles, on the Rue de Noailles, a continuation of the famous Cannebiere, a different scene was observed. In all its hundred rooms, myself and my

AT MARSEILLES.

courier were the only guests to be seen. The repast ended, we undertook a drive through the city. In the chief streets we street in the main part of the town, only four shops were closed; in the Rue de la Cannebiere, in which are situated all the finest shops and business places of other kinds, only nine were closed. But the poorer quarters-and God knows there are enough of them-revealed another side to the picture as we drove into them. Passing along the narrow and squalid Rue Caisserie, over one-half the shops were seen to be closed at every crossing. From a tenement region on the hill above a stream of fætid water flowed across the street and plunged down a precipitous descent on the other side through dark lanes crowded with towering rookeries swarming below with idle men and children playing in the filthy gutters, the women meanwhile swashing the water about with their brooms under the evident impression that they were cleaning something. Finally we got on a street known as Toulon road—a wide thoroughfare without a shade tree. Along its gutters ran rivulets of drabcolored water which had overflown from the canal when the canal was dammed now and then by heaps of rotten vegetables or worse substances, including dead cats and dogs. Four out of every five houses were found closed. Those which remained open were mainly estaminets, where, under dirty awnings and on dirty sidewalks, men and women sat drinking or were already reduced to stupor from previous drinking, and junk shops in which filthy people were sorting rotten rags in an unspeakably vile atmosphere. Festering filth was around them, and a tropical sun beat fiercely down upon the scene, blinding the eyes as its rays were reflected from the white road across which, in the Quartier Capalette, courses a stream about the size of a main sewer in New York, winding its way uncovered among the houses on its journey to the sea. This stream was laden with the sewage of the vilest of the Marseilles quarters-Capalette and the adjoining ore-which have furnished much over one-half of the deaths that have occurred in Marseilles, and it is an interesting fact that the largest proportion of them were Italians. The wharves all along the water front we found to be crowded with the quarantine shipping, mostly Italian and French, and picturesque sights were these Mediterranean sailors, among whom were many negroes lying in the shade.

THE PHARO HOSPITAL.

After this experience I decided to visit the hospital. The authorities objected to my entrance at the Pharo, and there was much difficulty in getting over their objections. Fortunately I had a note from a Paris physician to Dr. Queviel, the President of the Medical Society, and a letter from Dr. Queviel finally availed to secure me admission. A young English physician named Paul Bossano was my amiable escort through the wards of the building, now called the Hopital Auxiliare de Pharo. This is a magnificent structure externally. I am told has been the rule among patients | icle Herald.

from the first. At the beginning nineteentwentieths of the patients received at the Pharo failed to recover. For the last fortnight matters have so far improved that only two-thirds of those received have died. This excessive mortality at first was largely due to the fact that most cases when received had developed into a hopeless condition. The highest number that have been in the hospital at any one time is 110, and the largest number received in any one day is 37. There are two chief doctors and four subordinates, who serve in turns. There are besides two apothecaries, ten Augustinian Sisters, and a large force of laborers. All of these people, except the two chiefs, will be obliged to remain in the hospital constantly until November, having been forbidden to go out into the city. One Sister has already died here.

The treatment both here and at Toulon, in the first stages, is twenty drops of laudanum, with three grains of ether, and ice in the mouth to stop the vomiting. In the second stage the patients become very cold. From ten to fifteen grammes of acetate ammonia, the same quantity of alcohol, and The Largest List, and Most Valutwo injections of morphia are given daily. If the patient cannot breath, artificial respiration of oxygen is produced, and the limbs are rubbed with turpentine. The third stage is the coffin.

MIDNIGHT AT THE CEMETERY.

Late at night I drove, with my courier, outside the city to the cemetery, St. Pierre, to see the burial of the three patients whom I had observed in the Pharo Hospital in the afternoon. The route led through the poor quarter, and at every corner bonfires were blazing to purify the air. The whole population was sitting out on the steps of tenements or on church porches, enjoying the fires and the currents of air created by them. After a brief burial service, intened by a pale young priest, who looked badly scared, three boxes were hurriedly lowered into a and a goodly quantity of lime was shovelled on top. A conclerge showed me a burial permit. Across the face of the document was written, "Cholera-urgent," and there was a requisition for some disinfectant. went back to the central part of the city, throngs were walking in the streets, laugh. ing merrlly, and many heads were poked out of the windows of the houses,

AT TOULON. My visit to Toulon was necessary in order to show me more plainly what were the effects of the epidemic. The country people change, and no postponement in any way; along the road have been deserted save by the railway officials. As at Arles and everywhere else where there was a stopping Bible place, piles of baggage, bedding, and household furniture encumbered the platforms. At the Boulevard de Lesse, near the station at Toulon, I saw no human being save one cabman, who was sound asleap beneath the shadow of a huge umbrella. I awakened him with their answers, for six months' subscription and hired him. I started at once for an in- to TRUTH. And aside from the rewards, themspection of the town. Not until I had reached the Place d'Armes did I see a soul. The Place d'Armes is the usual resort and lounging place of many sailors, for Toulon is a huge marine barracks, where at times could discern but slight changes. In the there are as many as 12,000 sailors. Now I regular subscription price, and will also get Rue St. Ferreol, a broad and prominent only saw two or three men seated on the benches. The larger portion of the sailors, with the soldiers, have been sent away, and are now quartered on the high ground which surrounds the port. Still two thirds of the men I came across were either soldiers or sailors. The surgeons in the service and the Sous-Prefet estimate the people in the town to be to-day about 25,000.

If, in a sanitary sense, the condition of Marseilles was frightful, that of Toulon struck me as simply murderous. Toulon has always been a breeding place of disease. Smallpox when it broke out in Toulon was always of a malignant type, and more diffi cult to stamp out than elsewhere. The natural death rate is invariably high, and likely to be increased at any time by abnormal diseases.

Toulon streets and shops displayed no thing of their former bustle and activity. There were some few signs of life only in the two streets of La Republique and La Fayette. Here the shops were open, but elsewhere they were closed. No business seemed to be the rule, and a vitit paid to the outlying sections of Toulon showed how the dreaded disease had made the streets a solitude I visited a hospital in the suburbs constructed in that unfortunate way so much in vogue a century or more ago. It has been receiving cholera patients since the 14th of July. I saw there thirty-six cases of cholera. Here I saw Mme. Dorvan, a lady of wealth whose name has already been celebrated for her devotion to the cause of humanity. This brave woman has nursed cholera patients in Egypt, Greece, and Italy. I found her in this hospital busily occupied, moving from bed to bed, administering to the wants of the sick. In a conversation with her in regard to the contagious character of cholera, Mme. Dorvan agreed with the doctors that under proper precautions the elements of danger were singularly lessened. I noticed that the doctors smoked cigars and chewed considerable quantities of camphor.

I stopped over one train at Toulon during my investigation and then went again to Arles, but had no time to visit the hospital there. I found no one who could give me any intelligible account of affairs. An old priest with whom I talked expressed himself in no measured terms in regard to what he called "the cowardice of the people." He said Arles was deserted and so panicstricken that the dead in some cases remained unburied.

As no English-speaking journalist has this season been before me in this portion of southern France, though the condition of affairs is bad enough, the reports of panic and turbulence sent to English and American newspapers, I think, have been grossly exaggerated.

Rev. John Wesiey a Mason.

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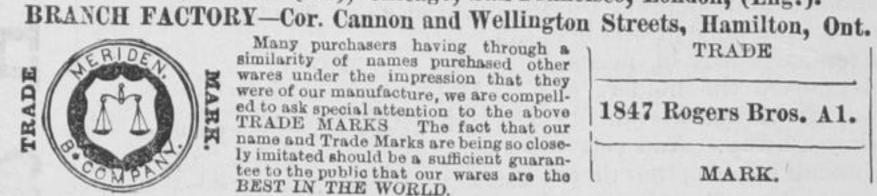
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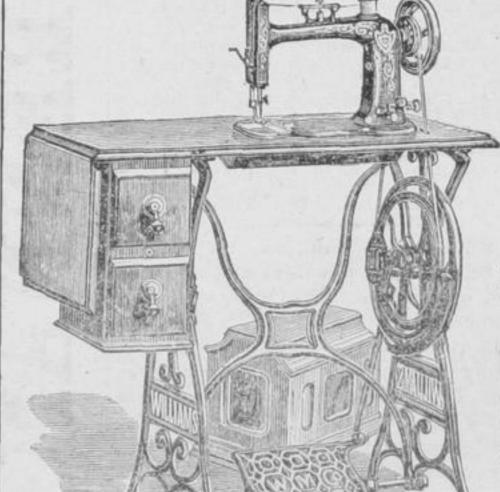
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