

# The Death List From Halifax Catastrophe May Run Well Over 2,000

**Property Loss Likely to Reach Enormous Proportions---Early Reports of the Great Disaster Were Not Exaggerated---A French Steamer Loaded With Munitions Rammed by a Belgian Relief Ship and Set on Fire---The North End of the City Completely Devastated.**

Halifax, Dec. 6.—With a death list of more than 2,000, with nearly half the population injured seriously or slightly, with only ten per cent. of its dead yet identified, with a great part of the city in ruins from explosion and fire, Halifax at midnight is a community of woe and death and devastation. It is feared that after a day and night of horror beyond description, the coming of daylight again will but increase the sum of the catastrophe.

The dead increase in number as ruins and by-ways are explored. The property loss is tonight beyond reasonable estimate. The cry is for aid of all kinds, food and surgical, from every available source and with all speed.

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### Dead May Exceed 2,000.

Halifax, Dec. 6.—As the result of a terrific explosion aboard a munition ship in Halifax harbor this morning, a large part of the north end of the city and along the water front is in ruins and the loss of life is appalling. Estimates tonight place the number of dead at nearly 2,000. On one ship alone forty were killed.

Thousands have been injured. The property damage is enormous and there is scarcely a window left in any building in the city.

Among the dead are the fire chief and his deputy chief, they being hurled to death when a fire engine exploded. Fires followed the explosion, and thus added to the greatest catastrophe in the history of the city.

All business has been suspended, and armed guards of soldiers and sailors are patrolling the city. Not a street car is moving, and part of the city is in darkness. All the hospitals and many private houses are filled with the injured.

The roofs of the railway station, the Arena rink, military gymnasium, sugar refinery and elevator collapsed, and injured scores of people.

The munition ship was bound from New York for Bedford Basin, when she collided with the Norwegian relief ship Imo, bound for sea.

Following the collision the explosion occurred and in an instant the whole city was shaken from its foundation.

Thousands rushed for the open and little children in the schools became panic-stricken.

On every street could be seen adults and children with blood streaming from their wounds rushing to the nearest doctor.

A part of the Town of Dartmouth is also in ruins.

Practically all the north end of the

city has been laid in waste. The destruction extends from North street railway station as far north as Africville to Bedford Basin, and covers about two square miles.

**Fire Completes Work.**  
The buildings which were not destroyed by the explosion were laid waste by the fire which followed.

Thousands of people have been rendered homeless. The Academy of Music and many other public buildings have been thrown open to house the homeless.

Five hundred tents have been erected on the common and these will be occupied by the troops who have given up their barracks to house the homeless women and children.

Temporary hospitals and morgues have been opened in the schoolhouses in the western section of the city. The doctors and nurses worked heroically in rendering aid to the injured.

**How Collision Occurred.**

The collision, which occurred between the two steamers took place near the point of the harbor known as the Pier 8 and was between a French munition ship, the Mont Blanc and an unnamed Belgian relief ship.

The Mont Blanc lies in the narrows a mottled smoke-torn wreck, while the Belgian relief boat is beached on the Dartmouth side of the harbor near what is known as Tuft's Cove.

At 9 o'clock the city was enjoying its usual period of calm and the streets were crowded with the usual number and gathering of people who were unconsciously wending their way to work little thinking of what was in a few minutes to befall them.

In the outskirts little children were running in streets under the

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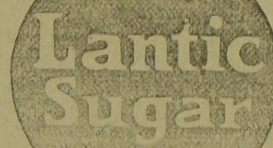
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