JUVENILE LITERATURE

Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamities; Fatalities; Children's Reactions
Call Number: JUV.130.L3.N6
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Series title: Dear Canada

Keywords: Explosion; Chemical Disaster; Tsunamis-Case Studies; Hurricanes-Case Studies; Floods-Case Studies; Terrorism
Notes: Contents:
At the Edge of Disaster
At the Edge of Terror
At the Edge of Injustice
At the Edge of the Impossible
Abstract: More than twenty incredible true stories show people facing critical life-or-death choices, and the decisions that had to be made, at the edge...
Includes sections about the Halifax explosion of 1917, the Chernobyl nuclear reactor disaster, the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami, Hurricane Katrina and the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001

Keywords: Explosion; Children's Reactions; Caring for Survivors
Call Number: JUV.150.K5.S8 (ELQ RC Annex)
Notes: Both copies gifts of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Library owns 2 copies.
Contents:
December, 1917
Life in Richmond
Morning, December 6, 1917
Explosion!
Refuge
What Next?
A New Life Begins
Back to School
A Different Kind of School
Looking Back
Abstract: Over five hundred children from Halifax and Dartmouth were killed when the munitions ship Mont Blanc, blew up in the city's harbour on December 6, 1917. Hundreds more were injured, and many lost their families and homes. Survivors tells the story of seven children who survived the Halifax Explosion. All seven lived in Richmond, the northern part of Halifax close to the spot where Imo collided with Mont Blanc, causing the fire that ignited the tons of explosives in its hold. The
book describes the children's family, school, and social life before the explosion: their activities on that day; their experiences of the explosion itself; and the difference it has made to their lives.

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account; Disaster Response; Scapegoating
Call Number: JUV.150.R6.H3 (ELQ RC Annex)
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Project consultant: Don Revell
Contents:
   East Coast Port
   The City Wakens: Thursday, December 6, 1917
   The Collision: Thursday, December 6, 1917, 8:45 A.M.
   The Explosion: Thursday, December 6, 1917, 9:06 A.M.
   The Damage
   The Struggle to Survive
   The Eye-witnesses
   The Blame
   In Remembrance

Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: JUV.700.B6.S4
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
LCCN: 72-97333
Series title: The Incredible Series
Abstract: It was December 6, 1917. Few people in the city of Halifax paid any attention to the collision down in the harbor. It was just another accident in a crowded port. They could have no way of suspecting the deadly nature of the cargo carried by the French ship, the Mont Blanc. The situation was all too clear to Aime Le Medec, captain of the Mont Blanc. His vessel, loaded with munitions, was now ablaze as a result of the collision. There seemed to be no way to put it out. He and his crew shared this horrifying knowledge: when the flames reached the powder, the port would go up in a roar!
While Le Medec struggles for an answer to the problem, the unsuspecting city goes about its business. On the bottom of the harbor a pair of divers are at work. On nearby Citadel Hill a small boy plays with a dog and a red rubber ball while a teamster looks on. In the barbershop of the Prince Edward Hotel a barber stands poised with a razor at the throat of a waiting customer. No one in Halifax was aware that at five minutes past nine the city was doomed to die.
This is the story of those last minutes in the life of a city—truly a countdown to death.

Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: JUV.700.P3.W4
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Signed by the author
Abstract: This is the story of two families in Dartmouth at the time of the Halifax Explosion, December 1917. Flossie Wright is a prankster, taking pleasure in practical jokes. Isobel Morton, whose father is listed as missing in the war, dislikes Flossie’s jokes, and is ridiculed by the other girl. Although Isobel knows she is a not a “scaredycat,” Flossie's jibes still hurt. Can Isobel prove her bravery and win Flossie's friendship in the terrible days that follow the Halifax explosion? Who's a Scaredy-Cat? is an enjoyable, historically detailed novel now back in print. Includes black and white illustrations by Marijke Simons.

Keywords: Disaster Research, Collective Behavior, Panic, Helping and Volunteering, Rumors, Social Movements, Stress, Sheltering, Explosion, Evacuation
Call Number: 5.28.D8.D5
Notes: LCCN: 93-46766

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**Contents**

Drabek, Disaster in Aisle 13 Revisited
Kreps, Disaster Archives and Structural Analysis: Uses and Limitations
Fitzpatrick and Miley, Public Risk Communication
Perry, A model of Evacuation Compliance Behavior
Scanlon, EMS in Halifax after the 6 December 1917 Explosion: Testing Quarantelli’s Theories with Historical Data
Bolin, Postdisaster Sheltering and Housing: Social Processes in Response and Recovery
Britton, Moran, and Correy, Stress Coping and Emergency Disaster Volunteers: A Discussion of Some Relevant Factors
Bates and Pelanda, An Ecological Approach to Disasters
Lewis and Kelsey, The Crowd Crush at Hillsborough: the Collective Behavior of an Entertainment Crush
Stallings, Collective Behavior Theory and the Study of Mass Hysteria
Wenger and James, The Convergence of Volunteers in a Consensus Crisis: the Case of the 1985 Mexico City Earthquake
Turner, Rumor as intensified Information Seeking: Earthquake Rumors in China and the United States
Aguirre, Collective Behavior and Social Movement Theory
Killian, Are Social Movements Irrational or Are they Collective Behavior?
Taylor, An elite-Sustained Movement: Women's Rights in the Post-World War II Decades
Marx, Fragmentation and Cohesion in American Society

Call Number: 25.182.D8.P5
Notes: replaced by pp 189


**MAINSTREAM BOOKS**

Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamities; Historical Account; Children's Reactions; Disaster Response; Disaster Recovery
Call Number: 130.B4.N5
Notes: Canadian Catalog No. C2010-902190-8
Contents:
Halifax Before December 6, 1917
December 6 and the Richmond District
Massachusetts to the Rescue
Stories of Haligonians
The Dominion of Canada Unites
The United States Responds
The British Empire Contributes
Social Standards of the Era
Return to Daily Life
What of the Children? Christmas 1917
Entering 1918
Halifax After World War I
Abstract: 1917 Halifax Explosion and American Response is the captivating story of Canada’s worst disaster and American relief efforts. Survivors’ accounts, newspaper articles, and official reports reveal the heartwarming stories of the doctors, nurses, relief workers, and ordinary citizens who came to the aid of the devastated city of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account; Disaster Recovery
Call Number: 130.C4.H3
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Contents:
A Nation at War
Fire, Death, and Destruction
Rebuild and Remember
Abstract: The Halifax Harbour explosion of 1917, Canada’s worst disaster, was also the worst disaster in the history of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, the town across the harbour from Halifax. As the explosion passes from living memory, citizens on both sides of the harbour are intensifying the effort to record and memorialize the suffering, loss and damage; the heroic generosity of rescue and relief; and the quieter heroics of “just getting on with it” in the face of sudden great loss. Increasingly, historians are documenting the remaining objects and sites connected with the explosion and, of course, telling the story in light of newer perspectives. Dartmouth’s Day of Sorrow examines the explosion and aftermath in the small harbour town of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account
Call Number: 130.M4.H3
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Contents:
The Halifax Disaster by Archibald MacMechan
The Documents
Repercussions
The Hydrostone Neighbourhood by Ernest Clarke
Chronology

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account
Call Number: 130.M6.M5
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Contents:
Preface
The Founding of Halifax
Fall 1917
Death and Destruction: The Explosion
The Survivors Speak
Reconstruction and Rehabilitation

Abstract: The author's father was one of the lucky survivors of the Halifax Explosion, the great World War One disaster that devastated Halifax and killed over two thousand people. His personal story, along with the stories of many others who miraculously survived, are woven into this fascinating account of the events leading up to and following the explosion of the munitions ship, the Mont Blac, in Halifax Harbour. *Miracles and Mysteries* is a reminder of the tragedy of war, and of how ordinary people respond to overwhelming and inexplicable events. FROM THE PREFACE: This is a true account of a city that survived a great disaster. Some of the earlier buildings still remain, keeping company with towering modern structures, but one seems to complement the other and we know that time will not obliterate the Halifax of yesteryear. Some of the survivors have recollections of events that happened over 56 years ago. Memories that have lain dormant are now told and recorded, some for the first time. Some are "miracles", while others are "mysteries". My existence is due to a miracle; my father was spared and so in loving gratitude I have written this book.

Keywords: Historical Account
Notes: Table of Contents
1. The Eruption of Mont Pelee
2. The Sinking of the Titanic
3. Train Crash at Quintinshill
4. Explosion in Halifax Harbour
5. The Tokyo Earthquake
6. The Crash of the R101
7. Fire on the Morro Castle
8. The Burning of the Hindenburg
9. The Cocoanut Grove Fire
10. Train Crash at Tangiwai
11. Overflow of the Vaiont Dam
12. Lima Football Riot
13. Landslide at Aberfan
14. The Florence Flood
15. The Crash of the Turkish DC10
16. The 'Ohio' Tornadoes
17. Explosion at Flixborough
18. Hurricane Fifi
19. Chemical Gas Leak, Bhopal
20. Earthquake in Mexico City
21. Space Shuttle Challenger
22. Explosion at Chernobyl
23. Herald of Free Enterprise
24. Fire at King's Cross

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Ratshesky, A. C. REPORT OF THE HALIFAX RELIEF EXPEDITION. Boston, MA: Wright and Potter; 1918.
Keywords: Explosion, Marine Calamities, Disaster Relief
Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: 131.B5.2 (VF)

Keywords: Reviews; Explosion; Marine Calamity
Call Number: 131.B6.D3 (VF)

Keywords: Explosion, Disaster Relief
Call Number: 131.C3.F7 (VF)

Keywords: Explosion, Emergency Medical Services

HALIFAX IN RUINS; STREETS LITTERED WITH DEAD; FRENCH MUNITION BOAT COLLIDES IN THE HARBOUR WITH A BELGIAN RELIEF SHIP AND BLOWS UP; TWO SQUARE MILES A BURNING RUIN. The Times of Halifax. Halifax, NS, Canada.
Keywords: Explosions; Historical Account
Call Number: 131.H3.2 (VF)
Notes: Compilation of articles and photographs from The Morning Chronicle describing the Halifax explosion of December 6, 1917

THE HALIFAX DISASTER BRINGS THE HAZARDS OF WAR CLOSE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS. Current Opinion. 1918; 64:4-6.
Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: 131.H3 (VF)

Keywords: Marine Calamities; Explosion; Mitigation; Emergency Response
Call Number: 131.M3.L6.1 (VF)
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Abstract: Owen Connor Struan Robertson saved Halifax from an explosion that would have wrought devastation equal to the great blast of 1917 - and that was just one of his accomplishments. This article details his actions.

Keywords: Explosion, Disaster Relief
Call Number: 131.R4.3 (VF)

SCHOLARLY BOOKS

Keywords: Explosion, Marine Calamities, Historical Account, Disaster Response
Keywords: Medical; Disaster Response; Historical Account; Terrorism
Call Number: 243.W3.N8
Notes: LCCN: 2010026537
Contents:
Part I
The 1878 Yellow Fever Epidemic in Mississippi: "For God's Sake, Send Us Some Nurses and Doctors"
The 1900 Galveston Hurricane: "Unspeakable Calamity"
The San Francisco Earthquake and Fire, 1906: "A Lifetime of Experience"
The Monongah Mine Disaster, December 1907: A "Roar Like a Thousand Niagaras"
Nurses' Response Across Geographic Boundaries in the Halifax Disaster, December 6, 1917: Border Crossings
The Boston Instructive District Nurses Association and the 1918 Influenza Epidemic: "Intelligent Cooperation"
The 1921 Tulsa Race Riot and the "Angels of Mercy"
The New London, Texas, School Explosion, 1937: "Unparalleled Disaster"
The 1942 Cocoanut Grove Nightclub Fire: Out of the Ashes
The Great Alaska Earthquake of 1964: Lessons in Leadership
Part II
Gendered Notions of Exertise and Bravery: New York City 2001
A Tale of Two Shelters: A Katrina Story, 2005
Striving for the "New Normal": The Aftermath of International Disasters
Abstract: Nurses on the Front Line examines how nurses have responded to both natural and man-made disasters in the United States, Canada, and other nations over the course of the previous and current centuries. It documents 12 disasters, including the Galveston hurricane of 1900, the 1942 Cocoanut Grove nightclub fire, September 11th, and Hurricane Katrina.
More than a simple narrative, this text provides intimate first-hand experiences-through letters, memoirs, oral histories, and newspaper articles-of health care workers, survivors, and civic and private organizations that reflect on the character and speed of responders during a disaster. It illustrates how nurses can restore stability in the aftermath of a chaotic event and analyzes the nurses' role as part of a community response.

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account; Military; Disaster Response
Call Number: 280.A7.H3
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
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Contents:
Introduction: Through Sailors' Eyes
The RCN in Halifax - December 1917
Towards the Unthinkable
Halifax Tide
Through the Grim Day
Reaction and Recovery
Of Sailors, Lawyers, Goats, and Newspapers
Goats to the Slaughter
Covering the Tracks
Abstract: The Halifax Explosion of December 6, 1917 razed much of the city of Halifax. The collision of the ships Mont Blanc and Imo in Halifax Harbour triggered an eruption of almost 3,000 tons of TNT, gun cotton, and picric acid. It was the largest man-made explosion in the world to that time and it killed 1,600 people and...
wounded some 9000 others. The Halifax Explosion is a defining event in the Canadian consciousness, yet it has never been the subject of a sustained analytical history. Astonishingly, government archives that contain first-hand accounts of the disaster and chronicle the response of national authorities have never been systematically consulted – until now.

John Griffith Armstrong carefully retraces the events preceding the disaster and the role of the military in its aftermath. His compelling analysis of the legal manoeuvres, rhetoric, blunders, public controversy, and crisis management that ensued reveals, for the first time, the rationale behind the public inquiry findings. The disturbing conclusion is that federal authorities knew of potential dangers in the harbour before the explosion, took no corrective action, and kept that information from the public. The result was the scapegoating of a Halifax naval officer and the lasting – and mostly undeserved – vilification of the navy.


Keywords: Explosion; Social Movements; Social Response; Disaster Recovery; Physical Health
Call Number: 150.B6.E5
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family
Contents:
- Introduction
- The Development of the Social-work Profession to 1917
- Social Conditions in Pre-explosion Halifax
- Early Social Welfare in Halifax
- "The Hinges Blown Off Hell": The Explosion
- The Relief Effort and Social-work Response
- Pensions, Property, and Oppression
- The Successes: Child Welfare and Public Health
- The Legacy

Abstract: Focusing on the days and months following the Halifax explosion of 1917, this study takes a look at the role of social workers in the wake of the disaster, as well as the class relations of the time. Exhaustively researched, this history clearly identifies the direct correlation between many of today’s inherited social-work practices and attitudes with the social climate of that early relief effort. Marking the transition from charity work—where traditionally well-off volunteers passed judgment on their poorer neighbors—to professional social care, this analysis reflects on the lessons learned when newly arrived workers had to navigate the prevailing class structures while attempting to rebuild the lives of the Haligonians.


Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamity; Historical Account; Disaster Response; Disaster Recovery; Reconstruction
Call Number: 150.F5.E8
Notes: Canadian Catalog No. C2004-904428-1
Contents:
- Setting the Scene
- December 1917
- Devastation, Death and Survival
- Rescue and Recovery
- Recrimination and Reconstruction
- Legacy
- Explosion Sites

Abstract: On the morning of December 6, 1917, the residents of Halifax’s North End witnessed first-hand the terrifying destruction of the First World War. A fully loaded munitions ship collided with a larger vessel the resulting fire sparked the largest man-made explosion prior to the
detonation of an atomic bomb in 1945.
In Explosion in Halifax Harbour, David B. Flemming gives a complete account of life in Halifax before, during and in the aftermath of this catastrophe. The historical images, along with present-day views, vividly recreate the scene on the water when the ships collided, and on the waterfront where people watched the fire.
In the hours after the explosion, survivors faced terrible hardships as the temperature dropped and a blizzard followed. Already stretched to the limit by wartime demands, doctors and nurses treated thousands of civilian victims. In the aftermath an official inquiry raised its own controversy, and Halifax slowly rebuilt its devastated North end.

Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account; Disaster Relief; Fatalities; Scapegoating; Disaster Recovery
Call Number: 150.K5.S4
Notes: Contents:
Shattered City, Shattered Lives
Prelude
A New Day
The Nightmare Begins
"They're All Gone"
The Road to Recovery
Initial Rescue, Initial Relief
No Rest for the Battered City
Relief from Near and Far
What about the Children?
Identifying the Dead
Christmas
Medical-Social Service
The Relief Commission Arrives
One Apartment Every Hour
Appraisals and Claims
It Must Have Been the Germans
Fixing Responsibility
Sabotage?
The Return to Normal
"Relief, Not Compensation"
Breaking New Ground
Guardians of the Pension

Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamities; Tsunami; Fatalities; Emergency Response
Call Number: 150.M3.C8
Notes: Regarding the Halifax explosion of 1917
Contents:
A Short History of Halifax
Wednesday
December 6, 1917: Winter Morning
Black Smoke, White Smoke
A Word on Explosions
Minutes Later
Far From the Harbor
Scramble at City Hall
The First Responders
Duggan Walks Home
Nightfall
Friday Night and Folly Mountain
Saturday: Reorganizing the Relief
Duggans Reunited, If Briefly
The End of Emergency Relief
Cap Ratshesky Says Good-bye
Playing Solomon
Proper Burials, Private Services
Monday, December 17, 1917
Rules of the Road versus the Law of the Land
The Tree at Boston Common

Remes, Jacob A. C. DISASTER CITIZENSHIP: SURVIVORS, SOLIDARITY, AND POWER IN THE
Keywords: Explosion; Organizations; Fire-Case Studies; Historical Account; Disaster Relief;
Religion
Call Number: 150.R4.D5.1
Notes: LCCN: 2015019369
Contents:
   Introduction
   "Organization without Any Organization": Order and Disorder in Exploded Halifax
   "A Great Power Had Swept Over It": Politics and Power after the Salem Fire
   "It Is Easy Enough to Establish Camps": Geographies of Community and Resistance in Burdened
   Salem
   "The Relief Would Have Had to Pay Someone": Halifax Families and the Work of Relief
   "A Desirable Measure of Responsibility": Halifax's Churches and Unions Respond to the
   Progressive State
   "The Sufferings of This Time are Not Worthy to Be Compared with the Glory That Is to Come":
   Salem Workers Build Power in the Church and Factory
   Conclusion: Cities of Comrades
Abstract: A century ago, governments buoyed by Progressive Era–beliefs began to assume greater
responsibility for protecting and rescuing citizens. Yet the aftermath of two disasters in the United
States–Canada borderlands--the Salem Fire of 1914 and the Halifax Explosion of 1917--saw
working class survivors instead turn to friends, neighbors, coworkers, and family members for
succor and aid. Both official and unofficial responses, meanwhile, showed how the United States
and Canada were linked by experts, workers, and money. In Disaster Citizenship, Jacob A. C. Remes
draws on histories of the Salem and Halifax events to explore the institutions--both formal and
informal--that ordinary people relied upon in times of crisis. He explores patterns and traditions of
self-help, informal order, and solidarity and details how people adapted these traditions when
necessary. Yet, as he shows, these methods--though often quick and effective--remained illegible to
reformers. Indeed, soldiers, social workers, and reformers wielding extraordinary emergency powers
challenged these grassroots practices to impose progressive "solutions" on what they wrongly
imagined to be a fractured social landscape.

Ruffman, Alan and Colin D. Howell (Eds.). GROUND ZERO: A REASSESSMENT OF THE 1917 EXPLOSION
IN HALIFAX HARBOUR CANADA'S MOST TRAGIC DISASTER. Halifax, Canada: Nimbus
Keywords: Explosion, Emergency Medical Services, Law/ Legislation, Reconstruction, Marine
Calamities, Disaster Relief, Reconstruction, Historical Account
Call Number: 150.R8.G7
Notes: LCCN: 94-950252-9
Historical Views, Literary Expressions Relief and Medical Responses, Scientific Aspects, Legal
Issues, Reconstruction

Keywords: Earthquake-Case Studies; Explosion; Historical Account; Terrorism; Hurricanes-Case Studies; Floods-Case Studies; Social Factors; Disaster Response; Disaster Recovery

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Contents:
- Prelude: Falling Together
- I: A Millennia Good Fellowship: The San Francisco Earthquake
  - The Mizpah Cafe
  - Pauline Jacobson's Joy
  - General Funston's Fear
  - William James's Moral Equivalents
  - Dorothy Day's Other Loves
- II: Halifax to Hollywood: The Great Debate
  - A Tale of Two Princes: The Halifax Explosion and After
  - From the Blitz and the Bomb to Vietnam
  - Hobbes in Hollywood, or the Few Versus the Many
- III: Carnival and Revolution: Mexico City's Earthquake
  - Power from Below
  - Losing the Mandate of Heaven
  - Standing on Top of Golden Hours
- IV: The City Transfigured: New York in Grief and Glory
  - Mutual Aid in the Marketplace
  - The Need to Help
  - Nine Hundred and Eleven Questions
- V: New Orleans: Common Grounds and Killers
  - What Difference Would it Make?
  - Murderers
  - Love and Lifeboats
  - Beloved Community

Epilogue: The Doorway in the Ruins

Abstract: What most people believe and what actually happens in the aftermath of a disaster are two different things. The movies, the media, and the authorities have too often insisted that we are a chaotic, selfish species and ought to fear each other. Yet in the wake of almost every major disaster a wave of altruistic and brave improvisation saves lives, forms communities, and shapes many survivors’ experiences.

The most startling thing about disasters, according to award-winning author Rebecca Solnit in her new book, A Paradise Built in Hell, is not merely that so many people rise to the occasion, but that they do so with joy. That joy reveals an ordinarily unmet yearning for community, purposefulness, and meaningful work that disaster often provides. These spontaneous acts, emotions, and communities suggest that many of the utopian ideals of the past century are not only possible, but latent in everyday life. A disaster can be a moment when the forces that keep these ideals from flowering, those desires from being realized, fall away. Solnit’s book points to a new vision of what society could become one that is less authoritarian and fearful, more collaborative and local. A Paradise Built in Hell travels through five major North American disasters, from the 1906 earthquake in San Francisco and the 1917 explosion that tore up Halifax, Nova Scotia, to the 1985 Mexico City earthquake, New York’s 9/11, and Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, and reveals little-known but well-documented patterns of institutional failure, destructive beliefs, and extraordinary human achievement. In passing, the book also visits the London Blitz, Argentina’s 2001 economic upheaval, Nicaragua’s politically profound 1972 earthquake, other forms of social disruption from carnivals to revolutions and Hollywood’s comically problematic take on disaster and heroism. Solnit has won acclaim for her ability to consistently locate unseen patterns and meanings in broad cultural histories, from her history of walking to her exploration of the world made by nineteenth-century technologies. This new book investigates the moments of joy, resourcefulness,
and generosity that arise amid disaster’s grief and disruption and considers their implications for everyday life and for the coming era of increasingly common and intense calamity, natural, seminatural, and man-made.

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES, MANUSCRIPTS, AND REPORTS

Tooke, Frederick T. AN EXPERIENCE THROUGH THE HALIFAX DISASTER. The Canadian Medical Association Journal. 1918; 8:308-320. ISSN: 0008-4409.
Keywords: Explosion; Medical
Call Number: 152.T6.E8 (VF)

Keywords: Explosion, Chemical Disaster, Marine Calamities, Statistics
Call Number: 152.W4.E8

HALIFAX DOCUMENT PREPARED FOR SAMUEL PRINCE. Canada: Halifax Relief Commission; 1920.
Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: 154.H3.3 (VF)

Keywords: Explosion
Call Number: 154.K5.H3 (VF)

Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamities
Call Number: 154.S4.7 (VF) (ELQ RC Annex)
Notes: File contains a list of the ships involved in the Halifax Harbour explosion of December 6, 1917 including the two ships that collided as well as the others affected by the explosion. The list includes the ship's name, under what country's flag the ship was sailing, the type of ship, it's location within the harbour area and the impact the explosion had on the ship.
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Keywords: Explosion, Marine Calamities, Disaster Recovery, Emergency Response, Mental Health, Disaster Relief, Economics, Organization, Law/ Legislation, Reconstruction
Call Number: 945.P7.C3
Notes: Library owns 2 copies

T. JOSEPH SCANLON PUBLICATIONS - HALIFAX

The literature available on how communities deal with mass death, in particular body handling procedures, is sparse. Describes the actions of the various people involved in the immediate aftermath of the Halifax (Nova Scotia) 1917 explosion. Also, but in less detail, examples the Rapid City flood, the Gander air crash, the Zeebrugge ferry disaster, the Tangshan earthquake, the Texas City explosion and the Kobe earthquake. Highlights the problems of handling bodies after a mass fatality incident: respect accorded to the dead individual; whether skilled individuals are there to take on the tasks, the tagging and identification procedures required and the setting up of temporary morgue facilities.

Scanlon, Joseph and Gillian Osborne. DWIGHT JOHNSTONE AND THE HALIFAX EXPLOSION: AN HISTORIC DISCOVERY OF A MANUSCRIPT ABOUT AN UNREPORTED RISK. Keywords: Explosion; Risk Analysis; Historical Account
Call Number: 157.S3.D8
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family

Keywords: Explosion; Theory; Emergency Medical Services
Call Number: 157.S3.E5.3

Keywords: Disaster Research; Theory
Call Number: 157.S3.H3
Abstract: Samuel Henry Prince wrote that major catastrophes lead to change. Despite his status in the field, there have been few attempts to examine empirically Prince’s ideas about change. In this paper the authors describe a massacre in Port Arthur, Tasmania, in 1996 in which a man armed with automatic weapons killed 35 persons and injured 19 others. As a result of the massacre, changes occurred in Australian gun-control laws. The fallout from the massacre is examined in light of Prince’s thesis about change following catastrophes.

Keywords: Explosion; Marine Calamity; Disaster Response; Transportation
Call Number: 157.S3.M3.5
Abstract: On December 6, 1997, at about 9:05 A.M. it will be exactly eighty years since Canada's worst disaster; the Halifax Explosion. There are few people around who remember it first hand, but to those that do, it is likely the most dramatic event of their lives. Five years ago, on the 75th anniversary, we had a major article on the subject, describing the effect the
Explosion had on the railways. Today we have another article which treats the subject from a
different perspective; the contribution of the railways to the relief of the sufferers and the
propagation of the news. In this article, Mr. Scanlon brings out aspects of the story which have
tended to be overlooked by other accounts. Mr Scanlon is just completing a book on the response to
the 1917 explosion. There are two working titles: one is "Explosion", the other is "Within Living
Memory". To commemorate the eightieth anniversary we are privileged to present this highly
informative article, which is an excerpt from the forthcoming book.

Scanlon, Joseph and Gillian Osborne. THE MAN WHO HELPED SAMMY PRINCE WRITE: DWIGHT
JOHNSTONE AND THE HALIFAX EXPLOSION. Keywords: Explosion; Historical Account
Call Number: 157.S3.M3.9
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family

Scanlon, Joseph. MYTHS OF MALE AND MILITARY SUPERIORITY: FICTIONAL ACCOUNTS OF THE 1917
Keywords: Explosion, Marine Calamities, Social Factors
Call Number: 157.S3.M8.1

Scanlon, T. Joseph. REWRITING A LIVING LEGEND: RESEARCHING THE 1917 HALIFAX EXPLOSION. 
Keywords: Explosion, Historical Account, Methodology
Call Number: 157.S3.R4

Scanlon, T. Joseph. REWRITING A LIVING LEGEND: RESEARCHING: RESEARCHING THE 1917 HALIFAX
EXPLOSION. Stallings, Robert A., editor. METHODS OF DISASTER RESEARCH. Xlibris
Corporation; 2002; pp. 266-301.
Keywords: Explosion; Disaster Research
Call Number: 157.S3.R4.6

Scanlon, Joseph. REWRITING A LIVING LEGEND: RESEARCHING THE 1917 HALIFAX EXPLOSION. 
Keywords: Explosion; Research
Call Number: 157.S3.R4.8
Notes: Gift of T. Joseph Scanlon Family

Scanlon, Joseph. SOURCE OF THREAT AND SOURCE OF ASSISTANCE: THE MARITIME ASPECTS OF
THE 1917 HALIFAX EXPLOSION. Ottawa, Canada: ECRU, Carleton University; 1999.
Keywords: Marine Calamities; Explosion; Disaster Relief
Call Number: 157.S3.S6
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