

TITLE.:- GREAT FIRE.

Picture. :- Just a short while ago Vazec was one of those picturesque villages which lie at the foot of the Tatra mountains

But disaster came! A small fire broke out, but, fanned by the wind, it resisted all efforts to extinguish the flames. They soon spread to engulf the entire village!

An awful tragedy for the folk of Vazec! Five hundred houses were destroyed, leaving nearly four thousand people homeless.

A remarkable feature of the conflagration was the fact that the church survived the holocaust.

Scores of the inhabitants lost their lives before the raging fire burnt

itself out Now the village looks as though

it has passed through a terrific bombardment by a particularly ruthless enemy force It conjures up horrible memories of Flanders in the

war A pathetic side of the tragedy is brought home to us by the lonely wandering of this poor old fellow who just can't make it all out It'll take a

long time to put the one-time picturesque village back on the map again.