

AN APPEAL FROM KEY WEST.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 4.—At a meeting of merchants held here the following appeal was issued:

THE RELIEF COMMITTEE OF KEY WEST, FLA.

To the Citizens of the United States:

A large portion of our city having been swept away by the flames, our industrial occupations entirely ruined, and thousands of our people left in utter destitution and distress, we find ourselves compelled to appeal to the benevolence of our country, and request that the leading papers receive subscriptions in our behalf and forward the same to M. L. Kellings, Esq., our Treasurer.

WILLIAM CURRY, Chairman.

Through Ramon Rivero, the Secretary of the Cigarmakers' Union of Key West, the Chairman of the Relief Committee has received \$480, the union having already distributed \$901 among its distressed members. The mail steamer Lizzie Henderson brought about \$1,000 worth of necessary articles which had been given by the citizens of Tampa, and 20 barrels of provisions have been sent from the United States frigate Powhatan. The Captain, passengers, and crew of the Morgan steamship Whitney, which arrived here to-day from New-Orleans, subscribed \$70 75. Indications of rebuilding appear in various portions of the burned district, and larger orders for lumber have been sent off. The wharfs will probably be the first structures completed, as without them the commerce of the city cannot be handled nor even necessary supplies be lauded.