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Windows were shattered and many buildings were damaged or destroyed, including the and parts of the Starr Manufacturing Company. Dazed survivors immediately feared that the explosion was the result of a bomb dropped from a German plane. Von Steuben arrived a half-hour later.

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The physical structures of the settlement were obliterated by the explosion and tsunami.

Indigo

He was honoured with a in the 1990s, inducted into the in 2004, and a new was named for him in 2018. An additional 9,000 were injured. Construction of temporary shelters to house the many people left homeless began soon after the disaster.

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Africville received little of the donated relief funds and none of the progressive reconstruction invested in other parts of the city after the explosion.

Halifax Explosion

The American steamship Old Colony, docked in Halifax for repairs, suffered little damage and was quickly converted to serve as a hospital ship, staffed by doctors and orderlies from the British and American navy vessels in the harbour. The lack of coordinated care in such a disaster was also noted by , a surgeon from Boston who had arrived to help.

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