

## NANTUCKET FOUND TO BLAME FOR THE SINKING OF THE MONROE

Report on Friday's Accident is Prepared and Will Fix Responsibility for the Disaster—High Praise for Officers and Crew of Wrecked Steamer.

(Special to The Toronto World.)  
WOLFOLE, Va., Feb. 1.—Blame for the ocean disaster which sent the Old Dominion liner Monroe to the bottom of the Atlantic with nineteen of her passengers and 22 members of her crew, seems likely to be fastened on the steamship Nantucket of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, which ran the Monroe at 130 o'clock on Friday morning and sent her to the bottom in ten minutes.

This expectation is based upon the preliminary hearing held last night at which Robert E. Tapley, the inspector of steam vessels for this federal district, examined officers and men of both ships at great length, and upon the testimony which could be transcribed, Mr. Tapley forwarded it to Washington for review by the chief of the bureau of steam navigation and department of commerce and reference later to Secretary Redfield.

The testimony of the witnesses tends practically to clear the Old Dominion officers. It shows that the Monroe, a comparatively heavy seas, had been proceeding at reduced speed for several hours. Thrice before the collision she had blown two long blasts of her whistle and had come almost to a full stop.

In the pilot-house of the Nantucket were Captain Berry, his second officer and the quartermaster. The vessel was proceeding at slightly reduced speed. She is not a fast boat under any circumstances, but the witnesses were in practical agreement that she was going at the rate of ten or twelve knots per hour, at the time she struck the Monroe. The impact was terrific. The heavy cutwater of the Nantucket plowed thru the Monroe and diagonally thru the very heart of the vessel almost to her engine room. So close did the Monroe and Nantucket come to the engine room of the Nantucket that the electric lighting in the ship was wrenched out of place and immediately put out of commission.

**Suits for Damages.**  
The voluminous report of Inspector Tapley gives first-class information to the department of commerce from officers of both ships who were on duty at the time and corroborative testimony from members of the deck crew, the steward's department and the engineers.

A libel was filed late this afternoon against the steamer Nantucket on behalf of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, owners of the sunken steamship Monroe. Damages of \$800,000 are asked by the plaintiff. This is the

estimated value of the Monroe and its cargo. The Nantucket left this morning for Newport News to discharge the remainder of her cargo, and today a survey of the damage was begun by the vessel's officers, who will have to finish their work before the extent of the injury to the ship is made public.

Edward E. Fellen, assistant general manager of the Old Dominion Steamship Co., said today: "The Monroe is in 15 fathoms of water and there is no hope of ever raising her. The ship was valued at about \$500,000, and her cargo at from \$400,000 to \$500,000, making the total loss in the vicinity of \$1,000,000, which is largely covered by insurance."

**Praise for Crew.**  
After a day of rest and recuperation from the exhaustion and excitement of the rescue of the passengers of the Monroe unite in praise of the gallantry, the bravery and the universal coolness of the officers and crew of the sinking ship. Not a word of criticism can be heard. Even the few excited and overwrought passengers who last night imagined that perhaps they had been a bit roughly handled, have come today to the belief that it was only the wonderful coolness and the self-sacrifice of the crew of the Monroe that saved a full two-thirds of the passenger list.

The negroes are highly praised for their fortitude and unselfish daring.

**Places Blame on Monroe.**  
BALTIMORE, Feb. 1.—(Can. Press.)—The steamer Nantucket, that was in collision with the steamer Monroe Friday morning, docked here today. In a written report to the officials of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, Capt. Berry said that in an endeavor to avoid a collision with the Monroe the Nantucket's helm was hard a-port to keep to the right, but the Monroe proceeded at full speed and the Nantucket's stern struck the Monroe's bow, the Nantucket's stem striking the Monroe forward of the pilot-house, but at right angles.

The Monroe passed under such great speed, according to Capt. Berry's report, that the stem of the Nantucket was bent sharply toward her starboard side, and the Nantucket slowed around so that her portside was scraped by the Monroe's crushing one of the Nantucket's port boats. The Monroe passed on out of sight.

At the time of the collision the Nantucket's engines were running at full speed astern, and had been so running for some time previous to the collision.

## DO WIRE MAKERS HAVE A COMBINE?

Question is Worrying the Hydro-Electric Commission of Hamilton.

### CAMPAIGN OF Y. M. C. A.

Hundred Thousand Dollars is Needed for Modern New Building.

(Special to The Toronto World.)  
HAMILTON, Jan. 31.—Charging that a combine exists among Canadian manufacturers of copper wire, the Hydro-Electric Commission at its meeting Saturday morning, moved for an immediate investigation. Every wire manufacturing concern in the Dominion was asked to send in their prices, and when these were received by the commission it was noticed that the price submitted by every company was exactly the same. This is taken as first-class evidence that an agreement exists among the different concerns to maintain a fixed price on all wire.

T. J. Stewart, M.P., will urge that an immediate investigation be started, and upon his motion a letter will be sent to him in his official capacity as a member, setting forth all the facts concerning the supposed combine.

**Works Estimates.**  
The estimates of the works department for 1914 have been prepared, but the heads of the department refused to make the report public on Saturday. Acting Mayor Cooper would not state the amount of the estimates, but did say that they would have to be reduced considerably.

**Y. M. C. A. Campaign.**  
A campaign will shortly be started for the purpose of raising \$100,000 for the erection of a new Y. M. C. A. building in the east end of the city, to replace the present building, the old Barton Street Methodist Church, which has been used as a Y. M. C. A. for the past four or five years. A dormitory will also be erected in connection with the Y. M. C. A. for the housing of young men who work in the factories throughout the city, and come from the old country and the towns and villages surrounding Hamilton.

## RAISED AMOUNT OF BANK CHEQUE

Thomas Roy of Earlscourt Charged With Defrauding Sick Man Who Trusted Him.

Charged with defrauding Thomas Thompson, 49 Carlton street, out of \$270, Thomas D. Roy of Bird avenue, Earlscourt, was arrested at his home by Detective Taylor last evening.

According to the police, the fraud was committed when Roy was a boarder at Thompson's home. Thompson was in poor health, and a week ago, when sick in bed, he asked Roy to make out a cheque for him to sign, as he was in need of some cash. He told him to make the amount \$30. Roy made out the cheque, which the sick man signed, after which the accused offered to go and get him the money. He went to the bank, returning with \$30 which he handed over.

Shortly afterwards Thompson discovered that the cheque the bank received and cashed was for \$200. According to him, Roy took advantage of his illness and made out the cheque for \$200, retaining \$270.

### PEACE COMMITTEE IS SEEKING CO-OPERATION

Niagara Frontier People Asked to Assist in Carrying Out Plans for Celebration.

(Special to The Toronto World.)  
NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Jan. 31.—The executive committee of the Niagara Falls One Hundred Years' Peace committee issued an address to Niagara frontier people today. In it the committee asks for the general co-operation of all in carrying out the plans for the peace centenary celebration to be held here next year.

The address gives the history of the movement for an appropriate celebration, and touches upon the historic events of 100 years ago. It does not go into the particulars of the Falls celebration. It had been planned to have a meeting of the peace committee to draw up plans for the celebration, but the smallpox epidemic in the American city has delayed the meeting, and it is unlikely that definite plans will be made for the next two months.

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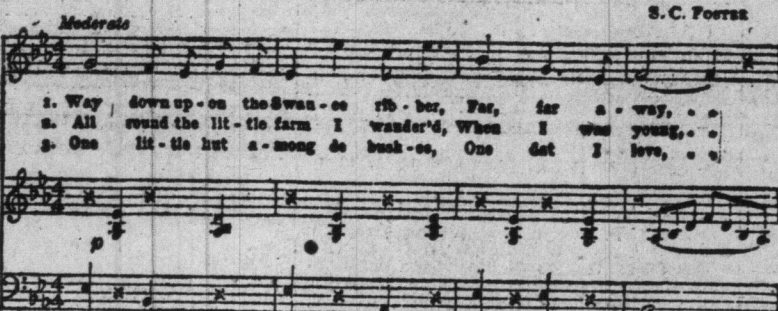
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(Found on page 120 of Heart Songs)

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## A Letter to the Publishers

New York, Nov. 20th, 1913.  
Heart Songs came Saturday. The girls were away, so they didn't get into it until Sunday afternoon. That H.S. is some book!

I was upstairs writing some dull stuff for a magazine when the old melodies came floating up into my den. I couldn't write any more, so my wife and I stole down to the parlor and sat by the grate.

We have not had such a treat in years. The very air blossomed with melody.

These songs took us in memory back to the old farm, back to the double log house in the Southland, sweet with the honeysuckle and the jessamine.

They took us to the battlefield and colored it with glory and set the roar of the cannon and the crash of musketry to music.

They told us the pathetic tale of the black man, and the black mammy torn from all they loved, and we felt more humane and more sympathetic.

They bore messages of love from mothers and sweethearts to wandering boys, and brought back the vows of "ever true to you, ever true."

They kindled anew the fires on the family hearthstone, and their light shone back to the very cradle.

Heart Songs seem to sweep every string on the harpsichord of human emotion.

One page would lead us gaily through fields of flowers, and the next one would moisten our eyes with the dew of tears. I can see why this book was called "Heart Songs."

We all thank you for Heart Songs.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) EUGENE CHRISTIAN.

[The above letter explains itself. Dr. Eugene Christian is one of the best known authorities on scientific eating in the world today. His numerous articles, contributed to the press, and his many public lectures on this subject, have given him a standing second to no other in the chosen field of his life work.]

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## WHITEWASH BRUSH USED BY BISHOP, STATE SUFFRAGETTES

Prelate Accused of Having Allowed Government and Holloway Prison Officials to Hoodwink Him so That Diabolical Methods Would Be Kept Hidden.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—(Can. Press.)—The militant suffragettes are very angry with the bishop of London, the Rt. Rev. Arthur Foley Winnington Ingram, over his report that there was no truth in the allegations of excruciating torture being inflicted on their comrades who are subjected to forcible feeding in Holloway jail. They accuse the prelate of being an ally of the government and Mrs. Dacre Fox, one of the leaders of the Women's Social and Political Union, wrote to him today as follows:

"A whitewash brush has been placed in your hands, my lord bishop, by the authorities in order that the public shall remain ignorant of the diabolical methods used by the government in its desire to terrorize the militant women."

The writer adds: "The whole truth of the matter is you have allowed the government and the prison officials to hoodwink you. We hold letters from Mrs. Rachael Peace, now an inmate of Holloway jail, describing the torture she has undergone. She has, on two occasions, to our knowledge, broken down under the supreme suffering involved."

### INTERRUPTED CHURCH SERVICE

LONDON, Feb. 1.—(Can. Press.)—Aroused by the Bishop of London's letter, declaring "that there is no truth

in the allegations that the suffragettes in Holloway Jail are subjected to torture while being forcibly fed," suffragettes today repeatedly interrupted the consecration service conducted by him at St. Michael's Church. The women sang up a chant, in which reference was made to forcible feeding, and they called upon the bishop to put a stop to "the torture of women in English prisons."

The disturbers were quickly removed. An attempt made by the women to reach the bishop as he left the church was frustrated by the police, who were present in force in anticipation of trouble.

### DISABLED STEAMER IS TOWED SAFELY TO PORT

British Vessel Hit Submerged Wreck in South American Waters.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—(Can. Press.)—The British steamer Sallust, Rio de Janeiro to New Orleans, struck a submerged wreck about four hundred miles south of Trinidad, and on Jan. 23 was taken in tow by the steamship Vestris and pulled into Port of Spain, Trinidad. The Vestris arrived here today from South American ports and brought the story. Her captain reported that the Sallust was in a disabled condition when the Vestris came along. The propeller was gone and the tall shaft broken.

Four times the liner that was passed to the British vessel snapped when the two ships crept into Port of Spain, where the Sallust was left to drydock for repairs.

## That Son-in-Law of Pa's

