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MORE VICTIMS OF SHIPWRECK

British Steamer Lima Stranded Near Straits of Magellan—Fifty of Her Passengers and One of Her Officers Drowned

MANY TAKEN OFF BY ANOTHER VESSEL

Rescuers Unable to Transfer Eighty-Eight People, Who Are Left on Lima Without Supply of Water

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 12—The Pacific Navigation company's steamer Lima is ashore on one of the islands of the Huambline passage, off the straits of Magellan, and will probably be a total loss.

The Chief pilot and fifty passengers were drowned.

The British steamer Hatumet rescued 205 of the persons aboard the steamer, but was forced to leave 88 aboard.

The Lima is a British vessel, owned in Liverpool and plying between that port and the ports of South America. She was last reported as sailing from Bahia Blanca, Argentina, on Jan. 26, and was on her way to Chilean and Peruvian ports.

Left Without Water.

ANCUD, Chili, Feb. 12.—The British steamer Strahurst has arrived here with 188 men and women and 17 of the crew of the steamer Lima, which is on the rocks in West Huambline passage, straits of Magellan. The steamer went ashore in a storm.

The Strahurst's officers report having left 88 persons on board the Lima, their rescue being impossible. They had no drinking water, the tanks having burst.

The first mate of the Lima and fifty passengers were drowned.

Doubt as to Rescuer.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—There seems to be some doubt according to the despatches from Santiago and Anuid respecting as to the steamer which rescued the 205 persons from the stranded Lima. The Hatumet is given in the shipping register, while the Strathurst is not listed there.

THE ART OF d'ANNUNZIO

Works by Night and Prizes Archaic Forms and Vocabulary

ROME, Feb. 12.—Gabrielle d'Anunzio has been revealing some of his methods of work. His most recent novel—"Perhaps yes, Perhaps no," has been written entirely during the night. When he is not actually engaged upon a work, d'Annunzio lives by day like the rest of the world; the dawning of a novel or play in his mind, is a sign for the exact reversal, which becomes the normal till his work is finished. He sleeps from nine in the morning till four in the evening; then he breakfasts, and his nocturnal day begins. He prides himself—whatever his secret agonies may be—on giving his publisher a manuscript absolutely faultless, not a spot or blot, not an erasure, not an addition.

Still he does not profess to write easily. He complains that many distinguished writers manage to say all their thought and do all their word-painting of scene and type with a poor palette of 800 words. He says his new novel uses no less than 15,000. He loves to bring up old words that have rusted in forgotten books and to set them in his modern prose; he is a voracious reader of old texts, and special vocabularies wherefrom to enrich his "linguistic treasure." And a charge made against him he accepts as glory. "How many words have I not put into new uses by giving them a new sense. D'Annunzio is very modern in his impatience with the tedious, worn phrases that beset all languages that have classics.

Licenses in Hamilton

HAMILTON, Ont., Feb. 11.—The board of control today decided to limit the number of licenses to 66, the number at present issued. This is the first time in the city's history the number has been below one license to each thousand of the population.

Committed For Trial

VANCOUVER, Feb. 12.—Dominick Martsen, Italian, who shot T. Brune, a countryman, a few weeks ago, this morning in the police court was committed for trial on a charge of attempted murder. It is alleged that the trouble arose out of so-called Black Hand differences, that Bruno had attempted to obtain some money from Marston, and when the latter refused, a fight followed, and Bruno was shot in the neck. He has been in St. Paul's hospital up to yesterday.

Finding in Corinthian Case.

HALIFAX, Feb. 11.—The wreck commissioners, Captains Lugar, Hall and Cole, gave a decision on the stranding of the steamer Corinthian on George's Island on December last. The decision in part states: "The stranding was caused by an error of judgment on the part of the master in estimating his distance from a schooner showing no lights, and also from the shoal on the northwest point of George's Island. A correct judgment of distance was probably prevented by the strong glare from electric lights on the wharves. We are of the opinion that the master, Captain Alex Rennie, was fully justified in manoeuvring the Corinthian in the manner he did, and therefore should be exonerated from all blame for the stranding of his vessel."

PROBABLY DROWNED

John Dorsey, of New Westminster, Thought to Have Fallen Into Fraser River.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 12.—John Dorsey, uncle of Premier McBride, and father of Mrs. W. C. Marshall of Beach Avenue, Vancouver, is missing, and it is feared that he was drowned in the Fraser river late yesterday afternoon, an unidentified man having been observed to fall from the railway bridge into the water. He never came to the surface. The man's hat was recovered near the point where the body went down. On the band of this hat appears the initial "D."

This morning Mrs. Dorsey, filled with anxiety because of the non-appearance of her husband at his home last night, went to the police station to make inquiries concerning him, and she was shown the hat. Mrs. Dorsey declared the hat to bear a striking resemblance of the one worn by her husband.

Yesterday afternoon Capt. Myers of the tug Chemainus noticed a man standing on the bridge, and a moment afterwards, hearing a splash he again looked for the man on the bridge, but he was not to be seen. Just then the hat was observed floating on the surface, and it was recovered. The body went down between a bridge pier and a boom of logs.

Dorsey was employed at the asylum for the insane, and he was director of the band at that institution.

Escapes Imprisonment.

HAVANA, Feb. 12.—Former Postmaster General Nodares, who yesterday began serving a sentence of four years' imprisonment, was today released by order of President Gomez, "On account of eminent services in the war of the revolution." Nodares was convicted on his own plea of shooting Senor Torriente, editor of the Politica Comiaon, on acount of the publication of an offensive cartoon.

Killed His Baby Daughter.

BEAUMONT, Texas, Feb. 12.—Backing his automobile out of his garage today, William Crook, a lawyer, felt the machine strike an obstacle, and putting on more power, forced the car backwards. Alighting, Mr. Crook found that he had run over and crushed to death his 16-months-old daughter. The child had followed its father to the garage without his knowledge.

WHERE VATICAN DRAWS THE LINE

Methodist Organization in Rome Is Referred to by English Catholic Paper Published There

ROME, Feb. 12.—The Weekly Review, the organ of the English-speaking Catholics here, today publishes a long editorial on Chas. W. Fairbanks, which is believed to have been inspired by the Vatican. The editorial says:

"Mr. Fairbanks' Protestantism is broad and logical, and allows him to put his stalwart shoulder to the wheel to help on every good cause. Though a strong party man in politics, his devotion to party does not make him desire the disappearance of all parties but his own, and he has the same theory with regard to religion. He is a Methodist, but he has no wish that Methodism should be the only religion in America. Mr. Fairbanks is a type of millions of good Americans, friendly to the Catholic church and believing that it makes little difference what a man's religion is, providing he does his best to live up to it."

After reviewing the incident between the former vice-president and the Vatican, the Review emphasizes the tolerance of the Vatican and points out that a man may spend his whole life working in the Vatican, archives and galleries without even being questioned as to whether he is a Turk or an athiest. He may even be a diplomatic representative to the Holy See without being a Catholic.

"But the all-embracing liberality of the Vatican," continues the Review, "cannot include the Methodist organization here, which entered Rome through the breach made on Sept. 10, 1870, with Garibaldi's red shirts. Many animosities have resulted in the forty years, but they have made no change in the spirit or the system of the Methodists. Their organization as established does not minister to the wants of visiting Methodists here, but is directed towards perverting the faith of the people.

"Not only that, but the Methodists have always been bitterly and avowedly anti-papal, eagerly welcoming every opportunity to discharge their venom against Catholicism and the Holy See. Statistics, compiled by themselves, show that the cost of making a single Roman Catholic a Methodist averages seven thousand francs ($1,400). During the last forty years they have spent twelve millions in this unholy work of proselytzing Catholics, especially Catholic children.

"Mr. Fairbanks did not know these facts, or he would not have given his promise to speak in the Methodist church 24 hours before the time fixed for his audience with the Pope. Otherwise, he would have understood how incompatible was his public appearance in this hotbed of anti-Catholic proselytzing and anti-papal bitterness, with an audience with the Holy Father."

Relief Work in Sicily

ROME, Feb. 12.—The vatican has published an interesting illustrated account of the earthquake disaster in Sicily, showing how the relief funds amounting to nearly $1,400,000 were collected and disbursed by the Holy See. The publication has been translated into English by Abbott Gasquet, who is engaged here in the revision of the Vulgate.

MUCH HOSTILITY TO REGULATIONS

Business Men and Fishermen of Royal City Protest Against Fishery Rules Proposed by International Commission

WOULD WORK HARM TO FRASER INDUSTRY

Fishermen Propose Postponement of Opening Date and Doing Away With Present Close Season in August

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 12.—Acting for the city council and the board of trade, Mayor Lee has forwarded to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the minister of marine a formal protest against the proposed international fisheries regulations. This action practically means that the Government has been asked to allow no further steps to be taken toward the drafting of the regulations until a general expression of opinion has been heard from the Pacific Coast.

Today a mass meeting of fishermen was held and a delegation of three appointed to present to the board of trade at a meeting called for next Tuesday resolutions embodying the views of the Fraser river fishermen.

Since Thursday several deputations representing Canadian fishing interests have conferred with Secretary Wade, of the board of trade, and it has been proposed by the fisheries committee of the board that the date of the commencement of the sockeye fishing should be changed from July 1 to July 10. Generally the first run of the salmon up the Fraser river takes place between July 5 and 8, and the changing of the date from July 1 to July 10 would permit of the first run of sockeyes passing up to their spawning grounds. In other words, the close season would be switched from the middle to the first of the fishing.

The fishermen who have conferred with the secretary of the board of trade are almost unanimously against a close season between August 25 and September 15, as they believe this will take the bread out of the mouth of the Canadian fishermen and operate most advantageously to the American interests. The fishermen believe that with the fishing commencing on July 10 and with fishing prohibited between 6 a. m. on Saturday and 6 a. m. on Monday ample protection will be given the salmon. They urge that the Government should vigilantly patrol the fishing waters and see that every pot is lifted during the prohibited hours. It has been emphatically stated that the use of fish traps is the sole cause of the depletion of the fisheries, and that the majority of the traps are American owned.

The destruction of the salmon by seals is also being discussed by the Fraser river fishermen. It is pointed out that the regulation which provides against the laying of unbaited hooks has worked to the disadvantage of fishermen. Where these lines have been in use they have, it is said, destroyed hundreds of seals and saved a rich harvest of salmon for the fishermen.

BRITISH SOCCER FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The results of today's Soccer fixtures are as subjoined:

Scottish League—Hibernians, 0; Clyde, 1. Dundee, 2; Morton, 1. Pt. Glasgow, 0; Falkirk, 1. Motherwell, 1; Patrick T., 2. Hamilton A., 1; Kilmarnock, 7.

First Division—Astonvilla, 3; Sunderland, 2. Liverpool, 0; Everton, 1. Middlesborough, 0; Bury, 5. Newcastle, 3; Manchester U., 4. Notts County, 3; Bradford C., 2. Preston N. E., 1; Sheffield, 0. Sheffield W., 1; Nottingham F., 4. Tottenham H., 3; Bristol City, 2.

Second Division—Bradford, 2; Barnsley, 0. Burnley, 2; W. Bromwich A., 3. Fulham, 1; Oldham A., 1. Leicester F., 3; Blackpool, 2. Gainsboro 2., 1; Stockport C., 0. Grimsby T., 1; Derby County, 1. Leeds City, 2; Birmingh, 1. Manchester C., 3; Hull C., 0. Hampton W., 3; Glossop, 1 Lincoln City, 4; Clapton Orient, 0.

Southern League—Norwich C., 5; Brentford, 1. Brighton H., 1; Southend W., 1. Bristol R., 0; Coventry City, 1. Queenspark R., 4; Croyden C., 4. Crystal Palace, 1; Leyton, 2. Exeter C., 3; North Brompton, 2. Luton, 3; Southampton, 4. Northampton, 2; Millwall, 1. Swindon T., 4; Plymouth A., 1. Portsmouth, 3; Watford, 0. Westham U., 1; Reading, 1.

Fire in Vicksburg.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Feb. 12.—Fire which originated in the dry goods establishment of Kuhn Bros. in the most central section of the business district of Vicksburg, at noon today destroyed that building and an adjoining structure occupied by the Valley Dry Goods Co., besides damaging other buildings in the immediate vicinity, causing a loss aggregating $300,000.

Newfoundland Railways.

ST. JOHN, Feb. 12.—The construction of 250 miles of branch railway as an extension of the present system in Newfoundland is authorized in a resolution passed by the colonial assembly today. The vote on the resolution stood 23 to 5.

Switchmen to Arbitrate.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The possibility of a strike of four thousand switchmen employed in the Chicago switching district of 18 railroads was believed to have been averted tonight when the parties at dispute agreed to submit the question to the Illinois State Board of Arbitration. The switchmen demanded an increase of wages of five cents an hour and time and a half for overtime. Both sides signed an agreement to arbitrate. The men last Tuesday voted for a strike, but F. O. Mether, vice president of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, and chairman of the general managers committee, says no strike is now possible.

More Poison Charges.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12.—That poison had been found in the contents of the stomach of Miss Margaret H. Swope, and that Christman Swope went into convulsions, according to Miss Anna Houlehan, his nurse, a few minutes after she had given him a capsule at the direction of Dr. B. C. Hyde, were two statements made under oath by John G. Paxton, executor of the Swope estate, today. These new features in the Swope mystery were revealed by Mr. Paxton after he had been threatened with commitment if he refused to answer the questions concerning these phases of the case, asked him by Frank P. Walsh, Dr. Hyde's attorney. Mr. Paxton was giving his depositions in the slander suit for $100,000 brought against him by Dr. Hyde. The grand jury summoned to investigate the case will begin its hearing on Monday.

MASS MEETINGS TODAY IN BERLIN

Socialists Decide to Call Attention to Need of Suffrage Reform in Prussia—Authorities Prepared for Trouble

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The Socialists have called forty-five mass meetings for tomorrow in Berlin and vicinity to discuss suffrage reform in Prussia. Members of the Reichstag and the Prussian Diet will deliver addresses.

The chief of police has issued a curt proclamation, which has been posted in every public place, saying: "I warn curiosity seekers that the streets are only for traffic. In the event of opposition being made to the authorities of the state weapons will be used."

The authorities are actively preparing to suppress any attempt at a demonstration. Every available policeman has been ordered on duty, and most of the troops are confined to the barracks, ready for an emergency.

Explosion on Battleship.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—An explosion which resulted in the injury of two gunners' mates, occurred yesterday on board the United States battleship Virginia while the vessel was firing a salute off Guantanamo, Cuba. A charge which was being hoisted into one of the Virginia's guns exploded as it was being placed. Third class gunners' mate J. Irben, who was working at the gun, had his right hand badly mutilated and the surgeons found it necessary to amputate the arm above the wrist. L. W. Drunner, another third class gunners' mate, was severely burned about the face. No others were injured so far as is known, by the navy department.

CONSERVATIVE ANNUAL MEETING

To Be Held Thursday Week—Will Elect Officers and Name Delegates to the Dominion Convention

The annual meeting of the Victoria Conservative association will be held on Feb. 24, in the A.O.U.W. hatt at 8 p.m.

By a resolution of the organization of the last annual meeting the date was changed from June to February. At the session on the evening of Thursday week, officers for the year will be elected and twenty delegates to the Dominion Conservative convention to be held in Ottawa next June, will be appointed.

Hon. Richard McBride, the local members and a number of the members of the provincial legislature, it is expected will attend.

New Tennis Asociation

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A new Lawn Tennis association of National scope, to be known as the American Association of clay court players, has been formed to take over that branch of the sport. The announcement was issued by Dr. F. R. Hawk, of the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., who is president of the new association. Dr. Hawk said today "The organization is an association of individuals, not an association of clubs, and therefore is of an entirely different character from the United States Lawn Tennis Association." It was stated in no manner would the American Association be antagonistic to the United States National Lawn Tennis Association.

NEW HAVEN, Conn, Feb. 11.—The gift of $100,000 to Yale University by Alfred G. Vanderbilt was made known tonight. The gift will be applied towards the general university endowment, and is part of a subscription of $250,000 for this purpose.

MUST ENFORCE ANTI-TRUST LAW

President Taft Answers Wall Street Panic Talk in Lincoln Day Speech at New York—Government's Course

NOT INTENDING TO HURT BUSINESS

Tariff Is Defended and Assertion Made That Republican Platform Is Being Faithfully Adhered To

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—"If the enforcement of the law is not consistent with the present method of carrying on business, then it does not speak well for the present methods of conducting business, and they must be changed to conform to the law." This was President Taft's answer to Wall street and its cry of "panic." It was made to a cheering audience of hundreds of prominent Republicans gathered tonight at the annual Lincoln day dinner of the Republican club of this city, held at the Waldor-Astoria. Governor Hughes shared the honors of the evening with the president. Mr. Taft adhered to his purpose of discussing platform pledges and how they should be kept. It was at the conclusion of a detailed argument as to how the Republican party is redeeming its pledges that he came to a discussion of the anti-trust law and Wall street, on which his utterances had been awaited with the greatest interest. The president declared that the administration would not foolishly run amuck in business and destroy values and confidence just for the pleasure of doing so.

"No one," he continued, "has a motive as strong as the administration in power to cultivate and strengthen business confidence and property. But there was no promise on the part of the Republican party to change the anti-trust law except to strengthen it. Of course the government at Washington can be counted on to enforce the law in the way best calculated to prevent a destruction of public confidence in business, but that it must enforce the law goes without saying."

President Taft did not hesitate to discuss the attacks that have been made on the administration and the party, or the danger to future success in the insurgent movement and other dissensions. Republicans who feared defeat at the polls in November, he declared, however, should take courage from the demoralized condition of their opponents, the Democrats. "It was Grant," said the president, amid a whirlwind of laughter, "who banished his own fear in battle by thinking how much more afraid the enemy was."

Mr. Taft again came to the defense of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. He did not hesitate, he said, to repeat that it substantially complied with the party pledge for tariff revision, and that, through this bill, the party had "set itself strongly in the right direction toward lower tariffs." The president brought statistics into his argument to demonstrate that during the first six months of the new tariff law here has been shown a 12 per cent. reduction in the percentage of ad valorem duties that have been paid on imports and a 12 per cent. increase in the percentage of imports admitted free. Time and a wider knowledge, he thought, would serve to justify the bill. Reviewing the party platform, the president spoke of postal savings banks, amendments to the inter-state commerce law, the anti-injunction plank, statehood for Arizona and New Mexico, and the conservation of natural resources, bills to carry all of which promises into effect were pending in Congress, and he believed would be passed.

In the opinion of Charles E. Hughes, governor of New York, President Taft will be re-nominated and re-elected as president of the United States. In closing his address at the Lincoln day banquet in New York tonight Governor Hughes said: "The American people are far enough to recognize a great man filling a great position, and doing his duty with absolute fidelity, and for that reason, President Taft will be re-nominated and re-elected."

OTTAWA TOOK RENFREW'S SCALP

MONTREAL, Feb. 12.—Ottawa's hockey team today succeeded in trimming Renfrew's "All Star" aggregation, in a fast game, to the tune of 8 goals to 5. Phillips brothers, well known on the Pacific coast, played well for the visitors.

Shamrocks vs. Haleybury, at Haleybury; Final score: Shamrocks, 6; Haleybury, 12.

The Wanderers defeated the Canadians here tonight at the Jubilee rink by a score of 9 to 4. The score at half time was: Wanderers, 6; Canadiens, 3. The first 15 minutes play was the fastest kind of hockey and the Canadiens scored the two first goals in less than five minutes.

Captured Steamer

MANAGUA, Feb. 12.—The steamer Managua, which was forcibly taken at her wharf by a group of thirty young men of the Conservative party yesterday afternoon, was recaptured at San Ramon, on the northern shore of Lake Managua, according to an announcement made by the government tonight. The vessel had been abandoned by the captors. The body of the steamer's commander, Captain Toruno, was found in the vessel.

BACK TO LIFE

Apparently Dead Man Resuscitated Through Vigorous Efforts of Doctor and Nurse

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Breathing and pulsation ceased entirely in the body of Frederick McNear at the Chicago Baptist hospital last Thursday morning for about ten minutes, and today he is clamoring for a beefsteak.

McNear was brought to the hospital last Wednesday night, suffering from neurotic oedema. His feet and neck had been badly swollen, while he was at his home, and when his tongue, glottis and larynx began to swell, he was rushed to the hospital. He was hardly able to breathe, and through the greater part of the night a nurse had to hold his tongue out of his mouth with a pair of forceps. Dr. Francis W. McNamara was at his bedside almost continuously.

Towards morning he seemed improved, and Dr. McNamara and the nurse, Miss Anderson, had both left the room for a few moments. Returning with an oxygen tank, Miss Anderson was horrified to find McNear apparently dead. She screamed for Dr. McNamara, and a hsty examination showed that McNear had ceased to breathe, and that his heart was not beating. Miss Anderson again seized his tongue with a forceps while Dr. McNamara began to massage his breast. An attendant brought a loaded hypdermic needle and the oxygen tank close to the bed. Injections of atropine and nitro-glycerine were hastily administered. Dr. McNamara continued his efforts at artificial respiration, and at the end of about ten minutes, McNear gasped. Oxygen was then administered, and for more than half an hour the physician and the nurse continued to work over him vigorously. His breath came and then resumed a somewhat normal status, and his pulse was fairly regular. Though very weak today, he is much improved, and is considered out of danger.

Church's Interest in Canada.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—At a meeting in aid of church work in Algoma, speakers, including the Bishop of Gloucester, Canon Welch and Rev. W. G. Boyd, emphasized the need for help in Algoma as well as in Northwest Canada, and urged the importance of help from England if the new nation which is being formed in Canada is not to grow up alien from church and religion.

NEW YORK STATE BRIBERY SCANDAL

President After Conference With Republican Leaders Finds Situation Very Bad—To Be Fully Investigated

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The president of the United States came to New York today, sat for one hour and a half in conference with Republican state leaders, said little, but heard much concerning the latest scandal, the Allds-Conger bribery case at Albany, and departing confided to intimates that "the situation looks very bad."

The conference was held at the New York home of Lloyd C. Griscom, the new president of the New York Republican county committee. Besides the president and Mr. Griscom, there were present Governor Hughes, Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Timothy L. Woodruff, chairman of the Republican state committee, James W. Dadsworth, Jr., speaker of the state assembly, and Otto Bannard. Discussion centered almost solely in the Allds-Conger case, involving the two leading proposals—whether the party should investigate to the limit, or, if possible, smother it. The concensus of opinion appeared to be, on adjournment, probe to the bottom, regardless of results.

Apparently touching on this determination to investigate, although not referring specifically to the Allds-Conger case, President Taft, speaking before the Republican club at the Waldorf Astoria tonight, said: "It is well understood that with the Republican party in its present condition, with its various divisions subjected to the crossfire of its own newspapers and its own factions, any halt or failure on the part of those in authority to punish and condemn corruption or corrupt methods will be properly visited upon the party itself, however many good men it contains."

There has been a demand for the resignation of state chairman Woodruff. Mr. Woodruff was asked about this, this evening. He said: "We talked about nothing but the Allds-Conger case. No call was made upon me to resign, and you may quote me as saying so. I will not say that I shall conduct the next campaign, but I shall be chairman until the next state convention."

Death of John Charlton.

DELHI, Ont., Feb. 12.—John Charlton, who had been ill for a long time, died at his home at Lynedoch last night. Mr. Charlton was for many years member of Parliament for North Norfolk and was prominent in the Liberal party.

Robt. Ingersoll's Fee.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Legal services to the value of $177,000 rendered by the late Robert G. Ingersoll were recognized yesterday in a decree by Judge Hammond of the Massachusetts supreme court.

Mrs. Ingersoll, widow of the lawyer and orator, is benefited by the decision affirming the decree of the probate court, directing distribution of the Massachusetts portion of the estate of Andrew Davis, a former copper mine owner of Butte, Montana, by whom Colonel Ingersoll was retained as a lawyer. The case, which has been in litigation for many years, will now go to the United States circuit court.

ONLY ONE SAVED FROM SHIPWRECK

One Hundred and Fifty-Six Lives Lost When the French Steamer General Chanzy Strikes Rocks

PASSENGERS AND CREW SWEPT TO DEATH

Storm Described as Worst That Has Visited Mediterraneau Sea in Forty Years—Steamer Blown From Her Course

PALMA, ISLAND OF MAJORCA, Feb. 11.—Swept helplessly from her course in one of the wildest storms that has swept the Mediterranean sea in forty years, the French Trans-Atlantic Steamship company's steamer General Chanzy, chased at full speed in the dead of night on the treacherous reefs near the island of Minorca, and all but one of the 157 souls on board perished.

The sole survivor is an Algerian customs official, Marcel Rodel, who was rescued by a fisherman and lies tonight in the hospital at Ciudadela as a result of the tortures he passed through and unable to give an account of the disaster.

Of the ship's company there were 87 passengers, of whom 30 were in the first cabin. The crew numbered 70. The ship was in command of Capt. Cayol, one of the most careful officers of the line. He never before had met with an accident. He was soon to have retired from the service.

The passengers of the Chanzy were mostly French officials and officers returning to their posts in Algeria, accompanied by their wives and children, and a few soldiers, some Italians and Turks and one priest. The only Anglo-Saxon names on the passenger list were Green and Stakely. They were members of an opera troupe of eleven who had been engaged to sing at the casino in Tangiers.

The steamer sailed from Marseilles on Wednesday at noon, and was due to arrive at Algiers on Thursday afternoon.

Total Wreck.

The Chanzy is a total wreck. Steamers have been despatched from Spain and from points in the Belearic islands to the scene of the wreck.

Among the victims was the celebrated Parisian music hall singer Francis Dufor, as well as other prominent music hall favorites.

The General Chanzy struck at nine o'clock Thursday night. Other ships in the neighborhood had safely ridden out the storm, but the Chanzy was lifted off her course through the Balearic archipelago and brought up on the coast of Minorca in the vicinity of Ciudadela. Fishermen at daybreak picked up Rodel clinging to a piece of wreckage.

Wild Tempest.

ALGIERS, Feb. 11.—Ships arriving here today report that a wild tempest is raging in the Mediterranean. The steamer Charles Roux, which came into port today, was forced temporarily to take refuge in the harbor of Barcelona. Her captain declared that the storm was the severest that he had seen in the Mediterranean in many years. The gale suddenly swept from the northeast to the northwest, and his steamer was nearly engulfed. Large crowds line the waterfront today awaiting the details of the wreck of the General Chanzy.

MARSEILLES, Feb. 11.—It is now believed that three American vaudeville players hailing from San Francisco were on board the steamer. Their names are Elsie Henry and Messrs. Irne and Delyma. The French line authorities say that they have hopes that some of the passengers have escaped and landed on other parts of the island of Minorca.

The French consul at Ciudadela reports that large numbers of bodies are floating at sea, but that the storm continues making impossible their recovery.

The General Chanzy was a steel screw steamer with one iron deck, and with floors, beams and keelsons of iron, a vessel of 639 tons gross, 237 tons net, built at Sunderland by the Sunderland Shipping Company in 1888 for the Soe Caennaise of Caen, France. She was a vessel of 189.7 feet, 30 feet beam and 13.9 feet deep.

Montreal Man Dies Suddenly.

MONTREAL, Feb. 12.—Daniel Hatton, one of the best known fish merchants in the city, died suddenly this morning of heart failure. He was 65 years old.

Wage Increase Granted.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 12.—There will be no strike of telegraphers and station agents of the Queen and Crescent route, wage agreements having been signed here today. The men receive an increase in wages of 10 per cent. at once.

Drowned at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 12.—A laborer named Fitzgerald, who was employed loading steel rails off the steamer Propea onto a flat car for Evans, Coleman & Evans, about 8 o'clock this morning lost his balance and pitched suddenly headlong off the end of the car into the water, where his head struck a boomstick and he sank out of sight. He has not been seen since. From the man's actions an instant before he lost his balance it is believed he was seized with an epileptic fit. He has been employed for several days loading cars and his fellow workmen know nothing about him or where he comes from except that he was an old countryman.