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STEAMER RETLAW AND THE CREW MISSING

Thirty men, the crew of the British steamer Retlaw, are believed to be somewhere off Halifax harbor in the ship's boats or, if not in the boats, to have gone down with their ship. At one o'clock yesterday afternoon the Retlaw, bound for Halifax, wireless to Camperdown that she had struck five miles south of Sambro Island, a half-hour later she flashed an "S.O.S." call, saying that the crew were taking to the boats, the message ending with the ominous words "Good-bye." Since then there has been no word of either the steamer or her boats.

A flotilla of tugs answered the steamers call for help and combed the position which she had given, but could find no trace of her. Inquiries made of lighthouse keepers and shore residents from Pennant to Jeddore have failed to produce any information of either the steamer or the crew and there can be no certainty of their fate until with the morning steamers from Halifax take up the search.

Hard Night at Sea.

Shipping men while regarding the matter in a serious light do not think that all hope for the crew should be given up. The fact that a half hour elapsed between the first and second messages would indicate that the crew would have plenty of time to clear away the boats and leave the ship before she sank. There was a fairly strong wind last night and it would be a hard night at sea in open boats but there was time for the crew to take with them plenty of supplies and clothing and it is hoped here that the search this morning will result in the finding of the entire ship's crew, worn out but otherwise none the worse for their exposure.

That the steamer's position was wrongly given is evident. Five miles south of Sambro



"I Owe My Life To Gin Pills"

Every one who has suffered from Kidney and Bladder trouble should read this letter from a gentleman in Port Maitland:

"I was once a terrible sufferer with Kidney and Bladder troubles and at times got so bad that I would lose the use of my legs. I could not go away from home without someone with me. My son advised me to take Gin Pills and after taking the first two or three doses I got relief. I continued to take them until I got completely well. I owe my life to Gin Pills.

Yours very truly,
P. M. Kempton.

Gin Pills
FOR THE KIDNEYS

50c a box, or 6 boxes for \$2.50 at all Druggists, or a free sample will be sent on request to NATIONAL DRUG & CHEMICAL CO. OF CANADA, LIMITED, Toronto, Ont. U. S. Address—NADRU CO., Inc. 202 Main St., Buffalo, N.Y.

Island there are no rocks, the chart showing thirty fathoms of water; and it is thought that the Retlaw may have struck a ledge to the eastward, possibly Brig Rock, off Egg Island, and that her skipper, not knowing exactly where he was, concluded that it was Sambro Island that was ahead of him. When the first message was received, however, it was believed that the Retlaw had struck on "The Sisters" one of the outer Sambro ledges, or on "Southwest Ledges" further inshore, and tugs were immediately despatched thither.

For several hours the naval boats cruised off Sambro and later one was despatched to the eastward and one to the westward, but nothing has been learned since. At a late hour Monday night neither the naval authorities nor Mr. Harvey of the Marine and Fisheries Department, had any word of the steamer.

Tuesday morning the Government steamer Lady Laurier will put out to the Sambro lightship to see if the crew of that craft saw anything of the distressed steamer and a search was made for the boats.

Halifax, Feb. 7.—The officers and crew of the lost steamer Retlaw were taken off Long Island yesterday afternoon by the D. G. S. Acadia and landed at the dockyard.

The steamer was 14 years old and was owned by the Imperial Oil Co. Her registered tonnage was 2626 and was laden with 23,000 barrels of oil from New York to Havre. Captain Hiscock, who resides in Havre, but is a native of Trinity, Newfoundland, had been in command of the Retlaw for four years and has had some narrow escapes from submarines since the commencement of the war. Several days out from New York he received wireless instruction to proceed to Halifax and await

Seventy-three lives and fourteen vessels were lost on the Great Lakes during the season of 1916, according to the annual report of the Lake Carriers Association made public at the annual convention of the organization. This heavy casualty record is the most serious since 1913. Three weeks last year caused the death of sixty-seven seamen.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

REVIVAL IN SHIPBUILDING.

There is a great revival in the construction of wooden ships. Builders in the State of Maine are turning out five and six-masted ships. These cargo-carrying vessels have brought large returns to their owners. One of these ships, for a trip and a return from South America, brought \$180,000 more than the original cost of building, and netted \$120,000. The high rate of freights, owing to the scarcity of steamships, which have been commandeered by the Allied Governments, and losses by the submarine warfare, have given an impetus to wooden shipbuilding. Nova Scotia ought to benefit by this demand for freighters. The year of 1874 was the greatest in the history of wooden shipbuilding. In this year the ship "W. D. Lawrence" was built at Maitland. She was the fifth largest sailing vessel at that time afloat. Her length of keel was the largest ever built in the all 272; tonnage 2858 1-2. She was the largest ever built in the Dominion of Canada—"Occasional" in Acadian Recorder.

France has followed the example of England and Italy in restricting meals in restaurants. Diners in restaurants are hereafter restricted to hors d'oeuvres or soup two other dishes and cheese or dessert. Public opinion generally recognizes the importance of stopping the waste in food.

Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, declaring that the high cost of living is largely due to American extravagance, has been citing figures to show that Americans spend \$13,000,000,000 annually for liquor, tobacco, automobiles, and "other amusements."

Genuine Butter Parchment just received at Advertiser Office

DON'T LOVE ANY TIME

in useless experiments with ordinary and out-of-date ointments. If you have any skin trouble whatever, use Zam-Buk in the first place, and save yourself needless suffering and unnecessary expense.

For two years Mr. E. E. Gardiner, of Marquis, Sask., suffered with salt rheum. Then he used Zam-Buk and was cured. He writes:—

"I had salt rheum on my feet for two years, and the pain I suffered at times was indescribable. I tried all kinds of so-called remedies, but nothing brought me relief until I used Zam-Buk. After the first few applications I noticed a distinct improvement, and after persevering with Zam-Buk completely cured me."

Zam-Buk is also unequalled for ringworm, scap sores, old wounds, abscesses, boils, pimples, blood-poisoning, piles, scalds, burns, cuts, and all skin injuries. All druggists and stores, or Zam-Buk Co., Toronto. 50c. box, 3 for \$1.25.



POINTED PARAGRAPHS

You can't always judge a woodchopper by his axe.

Love conquers all things — but poverty and toothache give it some pretty hard falls.

Son, learn wisdom from the tailor. When he transacts business with a man he starts by taking the man's measure.

Some people don't know very much and what they do know they are not altogether sure of.

The mill may be unable to grind with the water that has passed, but the hand organ grinds the same old air over and over.

Some clergymen deal in rhetoric, some in logic, and some in common sense. The first is popular with women, the second with most men, and the third with but precious few of either sex.

Solomon could afford to say that a "good name was better than riches," because he was a millionaire.

When a girl sees a handsome young man for the first time she wonders how she can help him get acquainted with her.

Never court a girl whose father is a pessimist, for he always has a kick coming.

Though you may be satisfied to carry a rabbit's foot, your wife will require a set of furs.

Though the sun shines for all, the moon is reserved for spoony couples.

Optimism consists in asking for cream at a boarding house.

Sprinkle a little salt of economy on the tail of riches and they will not fly away.

As long as you refrain from saying anything you keep the other fellow guessing.

Frauding your rival may be "good Christianity," but it's poor politics.

Love may be blind, but it's foolish to attempt to work off a paste diamond on a girl under the impression that you have her hypnotized by your good looks.

Even though your congressman is a vegetarian, he may have a hankering for "pork."

A laborer makes a bargain for the price of his work, but a lawyer sizes up your pile and charges accordingly.

If it is true that children get their growth while asleep, it's no wonder that some babies grow slowly.

WHY HE SHOULD STUDY LATIN

Mrs. Timmins was taking her son to school for the first time, and after impressing the school master with the necessity of his having a thorough education, finished up by saying, "And be sure he learns Latin."

"But, my dear madam," said the schoolmaster, "Latin is a dead language."

"All right," said Mrs. Timmins, "he'll want it." He's going to be an undertaker." — The Hibernian.

Wanted—A capable woman to wait on an invalid. Address P. O. Box 310, Kentville, ... swtf

Your Local Newspaper

Perhaps you haven't been thinking much about it — just taking for granted that \$1.00 a year is a right price for the ADVERTISER year after year, let other things cost what they may. But you are a reasonable being, and so can see that the price of a semi weekly or weekly newspaper should no more remain "fixed" year after year than the prices of such common things as:

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| Beefsteak | Wheat | Motor Cars |
| Sugar | Eggs | Lumber |
| Coal | Potatoes | Horses |
| Boots | Cloverseed | Land |

Can you think of any other commodity except newspapers and their like whose price has remained unchanged and unchanging year after year? Why then, should your newspaper's price remain forever the same — the same for example, as when you could buy:

- A Cord of Wood for \$2.50
- A bushel of Wheat for 50 cents
- A common Fowl for 25 cents
- A dozen Eggs for 10 cents
- A pound of Butter for 18 cents
- A cow for \$25.00.

The war has brought to a crisis a condition of things which has vexed publishers for years; the selling-price of their newspaper. It has sent prices of paper, ink, type and supplies skyward. It is costing us many more dollars a week now to produce The ADVERTISER than before the outbreak of war. Where do we get off at? in the slang language of today. The answer is: We must get more for The ADVERTISER. And so on and after January 1st, 1917, the subscription price of this paper has been raised to \$1.50 per year.

You are reasonable, and so we count on you to meet the necessities of the situation cheerfully. Three Cents a week for your local newspaper received twice a week—it is worth the price, is it not?

Less Than the Price of a Smoke

HUN STEAMERS IN BAY ARE SEIZED BY UNITED STATES

Seventeen Vessels Have Been Seized

Manila, Philippines, Feb. 8.—The naval authorities here this evening seized seventeen merchant vessels anchored in Manila Bay. German crews were released.

All Ships Damaged.

Manila, Feb. 5.—Customs officers, aided by navy gunboats, have discovered that every one of the seventeen German vessels anchored here has been severely damaged.

Manila, Feb. 4.—Customs officers here completed the examination of the interned German boats here, on instructions from Washington. Nine had their engine rooms and several had fires under empty boilers.

Customs launches and gunboats will act as a patrol around the steamers. It is estimated that some of the boats have explosives on board and that they may be seized.

URGES ACTION BY CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 31.—Congressional action to speed the setting of all clock country one hour ahead to present standard time commended to the Commerce of the United States today at the opening of annual meeting, which included Friday night, by committee on "daylight saving." As an alternative the committee suggested the plan for the months between October 1 and December 1. Eight national and local organizations were represented at the meeting.

Will Lessen Tuberculosis

The committee report light saving said: "Considerations supporting daylight saving are physiological and social. It will give a cool morning work in summer for a warm noon hour. Increased in the hours of greatest will tend to lessen tuberculosis. It will increase personal and materially lessen the accidents in cities. The danger of having the 'rush' hour when transit facilities are taxed, daylight is apparent."

"The use of facilities would be increased, and would be large savings in expenditure and artificial light. It will have an opportunity in the market their product thus offering it in better condition and gaining an advantage for other workers." The report cites the examples of the saving plan were shown in Austria, England, France, Germany, Holland, Norway, and Sweden where clock turned ahead uniformly.