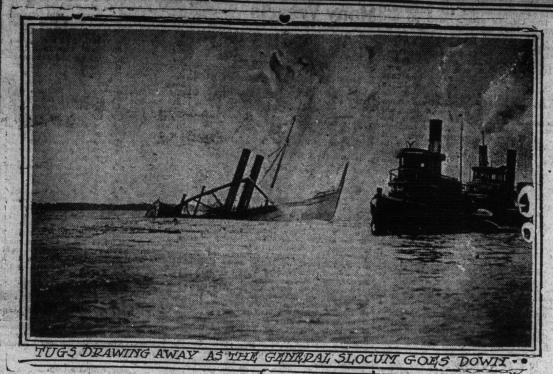
Life Belts Worthless

Deck Hand of Slocum Declares That Many Had Holes. In Them.

Company Admit No New Ones Had Been Bought Since

A House to House Canvas to Learn Exact Number of Missing.

New York, June . 22 .- The Knicker bocker Steamboat Company conceder formally that since 1895 no new life confession because they were unable to prove to the contrary. Former Judge Dittonhoffer, personal counsel for President Barnaby of the company, said he could not make the confession beyond



that the officers were trying to shirk their responsibilities and place it on the corporation, when the allegation was made by Mr. McManus

and disgrace through the act of another, we too often try to impress upon the minds of our friends that there was never anything serious between us. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, a clever American poetess, who has written many good things; says that "the chivalry of a man consists in protecting a woman from every other man but himself," and she is more than one-half right.

The girls lost their sweethearts; but they preserved their self-respect. In spite of all they stood by their unfortunate father during the year that be remained in gaol. Their home and household goods were seized and sold; their former friends ostracized them. From the list of eligibles for parties and balls their names were stricken, and every day, in some marked way, they were made to feel that their social career was at an end. In spite of the humiliation and disgrace the true-hearted girls and their mother stood by the husband and father until he was liberated. Then the family went away to California, There they were reduced to great poverty and the last I knew or heard of two of the girls they were playing on a low variety stage. Apparently they had become discouraged and lost their moral hold. That was 38 years ago and if alive now they must be old women.

The last occasion upon which I saw Aubrey was at Portland Create was a proportions of a trunk four four feet in diameter with the was liberated. The the family seen should be a seen since.

Well, I'm a bummer. I stand around till some one asks me to drink and then I get a free lunch. A nice position, truly, for an ex-officer of Her Britannic Majesty Castoms who reared a large and ungrateful family to be in!"

"And Mrs. Aubrey: I asked.

"Oh, she—she lives in luxury with the besotted with the girls while I—I am turned out to starve on the streets."

I saw that there would be no use in arguing with the besotted with the girls with the besotted with had been forced to cast him off, so I let I im find the post of the humiliation and disgrace the them. The majesty of the poison with the post of th

The last occasion upon which I saw Aubrey was at Portland, Oregon, in 1868. I was on my way to a steamer, sack in hand, when I encountered him. He was much intoxicated and held on to an awning post to steady himself. He informed me that he was not drunk, only weak in the legs, the result of his unjust confinement at Victoria.

"Where are your family?" I asked.

"My family," he muttered bitterly, "I have none. I disown them. They threw me off when ill luck came upon me."

Inside Of **Port Arthur**

merican Newspaper Man Gives Further Details of a Foolhardy Expedition.

General Stoessel of Opinion that the Correspondents Must Be Crazy.

Eye Witness of Japanese Attack on Fifteenth Says Results Were NII.

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SOCIAL WRECKAGE

How the Crime of a Father Dragged His Family
Down.

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VOL. XLVI., NO. 5 **Wild Rumors**

St. Petersburg Full of Report of Heavy Fighting But Definite News Lacking.

Of A Battle

General Oku's Army Continue to Advance But Kuroki is Checked.

Three Ships of Baltic Fleet Commission and Remainder Preparing.

St. Petersburg, June 25.—Major Gereral Mistchenko, commander of the eastern Cossack brigade, according preports received at the war office, date yesterday, attacked the Japanese at vance posts on the Sinyen-Tatchekia road, resulting in a sharp engagemen in which artillery was brought up and the Japanese forward movement was arrested. On this road the Cossack lost seven men killed and three officer and eleven men wounded.

The position of ceneral Kuroki's men on the Sinyen-Kaichou road is unchanged.

General Oku's army continues to ad vance from Senuche, traveling six mile per day and marching in order of bat the evidently expecting momentarily at attack from the Russians. Oku was about ten miles from Kaichou yester day.

Anent the naval battle off Por Arthur June 23rd, the only sister ship of the Peresviet are the Pobieda, the Diana, the Pallada, the Sevastepol an the Poltava. At transpires that the En peror received the news last night, a though through what agency is a mystery, possibly from French sources a Tokio.

basins after dask. Lieut. Vavillor, charge of the naval laboratory, was rested recently and confined in a tress for bringing his relatives to laboratory without permission.

SUICIDE WAS ON MURDER BENT

Man Who Jumps From Building In Detroit Left Tell-Tale Letter.

Detroit, June 25.-That Charles Swayse intended to kill Miss Effie Alvord when he asked her to meet him at the insurance office in the Chamber of Commerce building where vesterhimself, is believed to be proved by a letter which he left for his wife, which was not made public yesterday. This letter is addressed to "Darling wife and children" and opens as follows: "For-give me for this last terrible act of my life. God knows I love you dearly, but our once happy home is ruined by my own weakness and the plotting of my own weakness and the plotting of malicious enemies."

The letter then tells how friendship failed him and curned the cold shoulder," and says that "she" was only a tool in the hands of his enemies."

Miss Alvord who was shot by Swayse before he plunged from the eleventh storey window, is doing satisfactory at the hospital and is in no danger:

SOMETHING DOING. Chefoo, June 25.—There was firing at Port Arthur last night. une 24th, and tonicht. The booming of big guns was distinctly heard here tonight. Eighteen Japanese transports have been seen going west along the Korean coast. Steamers arriving at Chemulpo, from Moji, Japan, report that a large number of Japanese troops and horses are waiting transportation at Japanese ports. The loss of life resulting from the attack of the Russian Vladivostock squadron on the Japanese transports Hitachi and Isumi is now placed at 1,500 and many horses were drowned.

JAIME AT THE FRONT. New Chwang, June 24.—Don Jaime, son of Don Carlos, the Spanish nretender, who has accompanied the Russian army, arrived here yesterday and went on to the front where he now is,

THE THIBETAN MISSION. was received here today announcing that the second principal Llama had been instructed to leave Lhassa, the capital of Thibet, to confer with Col. Younghusband, the political agent the head of the British mission.

DEATH OF CLEMENT SCOTT. London, June 25.—Clement Scott, the dramatic critic, died in London this morning after a prolonged illness. A matinee which was civen at His. Ma.