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Perils of the Deep

The Safety of Vessels and Sailors is not Endangered by Rough Seas Only—The Terrors of Certain Cargoes.

It is said that "only those who go down to the sea in ships know the dangers of the deep," but an underwriter is probably a good deal better acquainted with some of the perils than the average mariner, says an expert at Lloyd's. Many dangerous cargoes are carried on vessels, and the seaman on the deck is often not aware of the little is wanting to send him to another world.

Various cargoes have their particular dangers, some being especially liable to fire, some actually causing fire, and others being totally spoiled by sea water. Strangely enough it is not the goods considered most dangerous ashore which are the greatest sources of peril at sea; gunpowder or dynamite, owing to special precautions, is by no means unsafe to carry.

Goods, which most folk would consider safe to carry in any vessel, are some of the greatest causes of disaster to sailing vessels. With a steamer coals are a very good cargo, because they are not liable to damage by sea water, but in a sailing vessel the voyage is very much longer and the coals are particularly liable to spontaneous combustion.

One of the largest markets for British coal is on the west coast of South America, and the premium on the cargo of Cardiff or Tyne coal, which is least liable to catch fire is double what would ordinarily be charged on goods for the voyage, while every month there are records of sailing vessels on this route either reported missing or abandoned to their fate, while the crew have been taken off by a passing vessel. Some coal is so fiery that underwriters absolutely refuse to insure vessels carrying it.

Some cargoes are bad because, should the vessel spring a leak or water in any way get into the hold, the cargo itself is ruined and in some cases also destroys the ship. For instance, cement solidifies in these circumstances and the weight of water and cement will prevent the vessel being refloated, while it is practically impossible to remove the cement from the vessel at all. In the same way grain is a bad cargo, if water gets in, for the grain sprouts, and unless removed very quickly, it will cause the sides of the vessel to burst open.

The dangers of a cotton cargo are very similar to those of coal, and a cargo of cotton goes by without fire arising in these cotton steamers—there have been more than a dozen during the present season.

But the worst cargo in the world is, almost without doubt, "naval stores." Under this heading are shipped petroleum, pitch, tar, naphtha, and other inflammable articles of the same kind.

How the fires which destroy so many of these vessels arise can only be a matter of supposition. Smoking, or a lighted match thrown down may do it. The fumes given off by naphtha are so inflammable that they will catch fire from a lighted match. It is imperative to keep all naked lights away and fires which arise spread with such swiftness that the crews are powerless and usually perish with their vessel.

No one who was near the "Hesperus" in October, 1898, will forget the shock of the explosion from the ship, which was a bright light to the tremendous report; the

mediately a mass of flames from end to end, and the captain, the officers, and the captain's wife and child perished, a tragical end, and in receiving a few of the crew. In an hour or two nothing remained of the vessel but her burnt out hull, which drifted on to the Margate sands. It can be understood that when the same thing happens in the middle of the Atlantic there is no hope for those on board.

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Sunlight Baking Powder, 1 lb. can 10c.
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7 Dozen Pails of Jam, 50c.
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MUSICAL.

THE WELSMAN-JARVIS RECITAL.

The name of Miss Carrie Estelle Williams is synonymous with all that is admirable, praiseworthy and charming. Miss Williams is of rare beauty, style has a sort of queenly bearing, and her circle of admirers is large and enthusiastic.

To the above endowments are added gifts for understanding vocal production and of imparting the science given to few vocalists at home or abroad.

Last summer while in Europe she was urged to sing at Corfu, Greece, also at Brindisi, Italy, under the direction of Signor Scialoja.

Although thoroughly at home in the school of operatic dramatic action Miss Williams refused all inducements along that line, preferring concert work.

Miss Williams came into the professional field at the age of seventeen, and no one so young and unaffectedly artistic has been heard on the concert stage for many a season. Criticism accords her the sweetest voice, the purest style and the finest artistic instincts all agree that in brilliancy of execution, purity of intonation and exquisite timbre of voice, she is without a rival.

Miss Williams' first appearance before a large audience in Chatham will take place at the Opera House, Chatham, in conjunction with Frank W. Welman and Harold Jarvis, Friday, March 25th.

A talented pupil of Evans Von-Klenner, Miss Williams will present the advanced products of her training to the appreciation of a large audience, the first selection will be from the domain of oratorio and the latter will be given to opera and lyrics.

Miss Williams has met with very great success abroad, announcements of the same having appeared in this paper before.

It will be the greatest concert at popular prices that has ever been given in Chatham. Mr. Welman has made the prices popular because he wants to place the hearing of these artists within the reach of all.

Coughs, colds, soreness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Eucalypti tablets, ten cents each. All druggists.

WORLD OF SPORT

FOOTBALL.

A meeting of those interested in football is called by the President, Mr. John Piggott, for Monday evening, March 22nd, at 8.15, in the Rankin House parlors.

There are several new players in the local team, and the eleven, if they will be in the game, and it is hoped that Mr. Kellington will be induced to don his uniform again, so that excellent football is assured.

It is hoped that the meeting will be large and representative.

District Dashes.

A Rodney bartender has been fined \$40 and costs for selling liquor to Indians.

Miss Gertrude Steel spent last week in Chatham, the guest of Mrs. McCormick—Ridgeway Dominion.

Encouraged by the success of the temperance people in Blenheim, where local option was carried by a majority of six, it is said the council will be asked to submit the question to Leamington and Mersea.

DEATH OF MRS. HARRIET SCANE.

Another old and respected resident passed away on Friday in the person of Harriet Spence, widow of the late Joseph Scane. Mrs. Scane, who was aged 67 years, had been ill a long time, going last October to California in the hope of deriving benefit from the change. She returned here about seven weeks ago, taking up her residence with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Laing, at whose home she died. Besides Mrs. Laing she leaves five daughters and one son, viz.: Mrs. Wm. Thorold, Mrs. A. Savage, and Mrs. Roy Gummage, of this town; Mrs. A. Ordean, of London; Mrs. Jas. Craig, of Chicago; and Jas. Scane, Jr., of Howard. Mrs. Jas. Scane, Sr. is a sister, and Mr. J. Spence, of Botany, a brother of the deceased, who was widely known and highly respected. The funeral took place on Monday to the Methodist church, where service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. Wilson, thence to Greenwood cemetery. The pall-bearers were Charles W. Harry and Walter Scane, John Robert and John Spence, six nephews of the deceased.—Ridgeway Dominion.

POPULAR AND EDUCATIONAL.

Will be the trip this summer to the Great West and Fair at St. Louis. No young man or woman or any business man can afford to miss the Fifty Million Dollar Exposition. The Grand Trunk will be the popular route, and tickets allow stop-over at certain points in Canada and at Detroit and Chicago. \$16.05 round trip from Chatham, good 15 days or \$19.75 for 30 days. Full information at Grand Trunk Offices, 115 King street, W. E. Rispin, Agent.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

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NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to The Revised Statutes of Ontario, chapter 129, section 38, that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Thos. Reams, who died on or about the fifth day of February, A. D. 1904, are required to send by post, prepaid, or deliver to J. W. White, solicitor for the executors, on or before the 15th day of April, 1904, their names, addresses and descriptions, and a full statement of particulars of their claims, and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, duly certified, and that after the said day the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

Dated this 18th day of March, A. D. 1904.

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