

SHINANO MARU FROM FAR EAST

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With U. S. Passports Per-
mitted to Land

MUST REMAIN IN CANADA

Stormy Passage of Japanese
Liner—Cingalese Among
Steerage Passengers

(From Friday's Daily)

The steamer Shinano Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, Capt. K. Kawara, reached port yesterday morning after a stormy passage. She had five saloons, 16 second class, and 258 steerage passengers and 5000 tons of general freight, of which 720 tons were landed here. The ship had large shipments of Japanese oranges, matting, tea, rice, silk, curios, etc. Stormy weather was encountered throughout the passage, but on Saturday last when the glass dropped to 27.85, a hurricane was encountered. The steamer driving into a furious head sea at full speed, but logging only four knots an hour. Big seas swept her and she was severely buffeted, but sustained no damage.

She was not delayed here as a result of the recent dispute regarding the landing of steerage passengers. There were 106 Japanese, 17 Chinese, two Russian Poles, three Cingalese and one Hindu booked for Victoria. The Canadian immigration officers instead of ruling as previously that the Japanese steerage passengers who were booked to this port but had passports made out to the United States could not land allowed them to choose. It was explained to them while assembled on the steamer's deck that the United States immigration officers would not allow them to be passed here and consequently would be prevented from going to the United States if they debarked here instead of proceeding to Japan. The steamer to Seattle. Notwithstanding this 89 left the steamer here. Seventeen elected to remain on board, three women bound to Seattle to join their husbands, and 14 men. The result of the new order will be to force more Japanese than otherwise would have done so to remain in Canada.

Among the steerage passengers were the first representatives of another Oriental colony to land here. Ceylon. Three Cingalese, all Parsees, wearing the skirts affected by their countrymen, but otherwise clad after the fashion of the west, debarked some months. They decided to turn their journey from Ceylon to Canada, and will probably start business here or at Vancouver, selling jewelry.

There were but four European passengers included in the 278 passengers on the Shinano Maru, two from Russia traveling in the steerage. The saloon passengers, five in all, included three of Japanese, Commander Y. Matsumura on a mission to the Imperial railway bureau and S. Mabe, now going to the consulate at Rio de Janeiro. Y. Kurikawa, who debarked here is bound to Iowa to purchase some thoroughbred cattle to be shipped to Japan, and Mrs. S. Nishimura came to join her husband in Seattle. The sixteen second class passengers were all Japanese, mostly of the merchant and artisan class.

One stayaway Japanese was given in charge to the local police by officers of the vessel and will be held pending deportation.

The Shinano Maru left early this morning for Seattle. A fight took place on board the Shinano Maru between a Japanese stoker and an ex-sailor of the steamer prior to her departure from Yokohama for Victoria. The latter sustained serious injuries. The stoker was immediately arrested by the water police. It is stated that the ex-sailor proceeded to the steamer and asked the stoker for the redemption of a loan alleged to have been advanced to him. The stoker denied the existence of the loan and struck him with a lead pipe. The steamer left the stoker in the hands of the police.

Fierce Atlantic Storms
Plymouth, Eng., Dec. 12.—Capt. Smith, of the White Star liner steamer Adriatic, from New York for Cherbourg and Southampton, was delayed here today, reported that fierce storms were encountered on the voyage delaying the Adriatic's arrival here sixteen hours.

Southern Sultan Retires
Paris, Dec. 12.—In a despatch from Casablanca, General Druce, the French military commander in Morocco, gives a report that Sultan Hafid the "Southern Sultan," has withdrawn to the direction of Morocco City, and at the same time ordered his forces near Sidi-el-Aiss and Mogador also to retire.

Saskatchewan Coal
Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 12.—Preparations are being made for the operation of the new coal mine in the Eagle Lake district. J. J. Davies, Superintendent of Mines, at Regina, has been out to the mine, and states that the deposit will supply the country for a large radius. Fifteen teams and material leave tomorrow. It is expected that the first coal will be mined by February 1st. Operations will be carried on by two or three carloads of the mine, which is about a hundred miles west of here.

Royal Wedding at Athens
Athens, Dec. 12.—With the splendid and elaborate ceremony of the Greek church, the religious ceremony uniting in marriage Prince George of Greece, second son of the King of Greece, and Princess Marie of Romania, was performed at the cathedral here today in the presence of the King and Queen of Greece. The civil marriage ceremony took place in France on November 21. This was the first time that a royal wedding ceremony was performed in the Greek church does not recognize the validity of civil marriages.

YOUTHFUL THIEF

Rainy River, Ont., Dec. 12.—The mystery surrounding the many thefts from local stores which have occurred within the past month was cleared up this morning with the arrest and conviction of Alfred Warren, a 12-year-old boy. Last evening he was seen by A. F. Gormley, of the firm of A. F. McDonald & Co., to be acting suspiciously in front of the store where some goods were displayed. A clerk secured the boy and brought him into the store where, after close questioning, he confessed that he had stolen articles from other stores in town.

A search warrant was secured and the house of his uncle, Wm. Brendell, with whom he lived, was searched, which disclosed what was believed to be the results of months of stealing. Dry goods, clothing and articles of almost every description, valued at several hundred dollars, much of which was claimed by local merchants.

The boy was this morning sentenced by Magistrate Gormley to three years in the provincial reformatory. Brendell, who has lived in town for the past three years, and who had never been suspected, is under arrest for complicity in the thefts and will come up for a hearing before the police magistrate this afternoon.

Killed at Crossing
Moorefield, Ont., Dec. 12.—Jas. Woolner, an old man who lived near Drayton, was killed by a train on a road crossing today.

Ontario May Appeal
Toronto, Dec. 12.—The Ontario government is considering the question of appealing from the exchequer court decision awarding \$380,000 damages against the province in the matter of the Indian driving into a furious head sea at full speed, but logging only four knots an hour. Big seas swept her and she was severely buffeted, but sustained no damage.

Defaulting Postmaster
New York, Dec. 12.—Geo. P. Nichols, former postmaster of Rye, N. Y., who absconded on Nov. 11, leaving a shortage in his accounts of \$1,200, and who was arrested in Indianapolis last week, pleaded guilty to the U. S. District Court today and was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

TIME FOR CHANGE SAYS SIR CHARLES

Veteran Conservative Leader
Points to Party's Strong
Position

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—In an interview today Sir Charles Tupper, who has a strong opinion that the Liberal party having had its innings, the Conservatives should be in power. "No one in Canada pretends to say that we would have attained to the position of the Liberal party if we were in power," he said. "The Liberal party has been in power for a long time, and it is time for change. The Conservatives are in a strong position, and it is time for them to take power."

KOOTENAY VIEWS

Nelson Board of Trade Passes Resolutions for Associated Boards to Deal With

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 12.—At a meeting of the Nelson board of trade, held today, resolutions were passed, both of which will be considered at the annual meeting of the associated boards of Kootenay. The first deals with the lead bounty and asks for an extension on the same terms of that bounty. The second, in June next, for another term of five years.

FIRE STOPS SEARCH
Bodies Recovered From Monongah Mines Now Number 320—Work is Suspended

Monongah, W. V., Dec. 12.—The search in mines six and eight of the Fairmont Coal company for victims of last Friday's explosion was suspended early tonight. Further search had broken out again in the mine and partly because every section of the two mines has been explored and distribution centres. Further, as the lowering of freight rates is often bulked by raising the classification, and so on, the whole system of classification is objected to.

Extensive Art Theft
Amiens, France, Dec. 12.—Five of the most valuable pictures, works of Fra Angelico, Boucher and Van Loo, have been stolen from the Musée de Picardie, together with collection of coins and art objects, valued at \$60,000. The thieves did their work so skillfully that the police are convinced they are members of an international gang, which it is thought, is responsible for the theft of Vandike's masterpiece, "The Descent from the Cross," from the church of Notre Dame at Courtrai, recently, and also valuable ensembles from the national museum at Rouen.

The Late King of Sweden
Stockholm, Dec. 12.—The general public here admitted to the funeral of the late King Oscar II. from 10 to 1 p. m. to the chapel in the palace where the body of King Oscar lies in state. A general holding of the coffin was held at the royal stand of Sweden, while at inter-alia the king's grand chamberlain, heralds, and other officials will take their positions. The funeral will take place at the cathedral here today in the presence of the King and Queen of Sweden. The civil marriage ceremony took place in France on November 21. This was the first time that a royal wedding ceremony was performed in the Greek church does not recognize the validity of civil marriages.

U. S. BATTLESHIPS READY TO START

Long Voyage to Pacific to Be
Commenced Off Norfolk
Today

ALL PREPARATIONS READY

Chart Provision Indicates That
Return Route May Be
Different

Old Point Comfort, Va., Dec. 12.—The fleet of the United States navy, which is to be sent to the Pacific, is ready to start in the morning on their projected cruise to the western seas, but the return route is not yet decided.

This signal meant that the sixteen most powerful armaments of the American navy are ready not only to start in the morning on their projected cruise to the western seas, but also to return to the United States by a different route. It meant that the hulls are clean, that the giant compound engines are restive to be at their work, that officers and men are trained to the hour, and that the fleet is ready to start in the morning on their projected cruise to the western seas, but the return route is not yet decided.

One of the points of complete readiness making the present status of the fleet is to be found in the chart houses of the navigating officers, where the fleet was ordered to prepare for the Pacific voyage, the navigators of each ship were supplied with especially made charts leading down the south Atlantic coast, through the treacherous waters of Magellan, and along the Pacific Coast to San Francisco. Several weeks ago these charts were supplemented by then more recently by the charts of the world, which are capable of guiding the fleet in any direction. The fleet is now ready to start in the morning on their projected cruise to the western seas, but the return route is not yet decided.

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**NEW PROJECT FOR
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IN DRUNKEN ROW
Winnipeg Man Receives Injuries and Has Narrow Escape With His Life

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SENTENCE COMMUTED

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More Bank Irregularities
New York, Dec. 12.—Attorney-General Jackson today called the attention of the District Attorney Jerome to the irregularities of the Hamilton bank, and he is to be held responsible for the loss of the goods of the Union Pacific Railroad company.

**CENTRAL AMERICAN
PERMANENT COURT**
Little Republics to Try Peace
Plan for Settlement of
Disputes

Washington, Dec. 12.—The first formal outcome of the Central American peace conference now in progress in this city, and which is the most important to result from the conference, was made public today in the form of an abstract of the general treaty, which is to be signed by the delegates, providing for the establishment of a permanent court to settle all disputes that may arise between the countries of Central America in the future.

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NEVADA MINERS APPEAL TO LAW

They Contemplate Proceedings
Against Mine Owners'
Association

ALLEGED STATUTE VIOLATION

Gen. Funston Threatens Military Control if Outbreak Occurs

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 12.—General Funston arrived here at 12.30 p. m. today and was driven directly to the Nevada Hotel, where he went at once to a conference with Governor Sparks. General Funston stated to the governor that he would remain until the labor situation had cleared up, and there was no longer danger of trouble. General Funston said he is determined to take control of the camps under martial law upon the first outbreak of serious violence.

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HOTEL HELD LIABLE

Must Compensate Owner of Overcoat That Was Stolen From the
Cloakroom

Calgary, Dec. 12.—Mr. Justice Harvey gave judgment this morning in the case of W. N. Tompkins, of Okotoks vs. the Calgary Hotel Company, Limited, which is of more than passing interest to the public. The plaintiff in the month of March last was a guest of the Royal Hotel, Calgary, and while at the hotel left a fur coat in the cloakroom provided for that purpose. Later when he came to get his coat he found it had disappeared. Efforts were made to find the coat, but without avail. Tompkins brought action against the hotel for the value of the coat. The hotel people denied their liability. Judge Harvey in giving his judgment laid down the principle that an innkeeper is responsible for goods left in the hotel by guests, unless they are able to establish that the guest was guilty of negligence. Proof of negligence entirely failed in the present case, and judgment was given for the plaintiff for the full amount sued, \$109.

Money for Missions

London, Ont., Dec. 12.—At a mass meeting of the churches last night it was resolved that all should unite in an effort to raise \$50,000 to assist in the mission movement and to assist in the movement for evangelistic work.

Toronto Fire

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Fire this morning did damage to the extent of \$2,500 to the store of A. K. Jeffries, furrier, Conmee street. Adjacent firms suffered to the extent of \$5,000. Covered by insurance.

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Returns for Prairie Crop This
Year Greater Than in
Last Year

DEPRESSION ONLY FANCIED

Action of Banks in Currency
Over-Speculation Had
Good Effect

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—It is in the opinion of many farmers that the actual stringency exists throughout the country when one is brought face to face with the undeniable figures as to the amount of money in circulation. They say that money is not so scarce as it was last year, and that the situation is not so bad as it was last year.

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