

BOSTON TO CALCUTTA.

Semi-Monthly Steamers to Run via Suez Canal.

Arrival of the First Vessel at the Massachusetts Hub.

(Boston Globe, 18th.) Boston is now linked with far-away India by means of a regular direct steamship service.

Negotiations looking to the establishment of such a service have been under way for two or three months between the American representatives of the Bucknall steamship lines, limited, of London and the Boston & Maine railroad, and the first tangible result of the new arrangement was the arrival at this port yesterday of the steamship Bucentaur from Calcutta and Colombo.

The arrival of this vessel marks the beginning of a line which, it is hoped, will inaugurate semi-monthly sailings, and what this will mean to Boston and New England in a commercial sense is sufficiently obvious to every business man.

It will give the merchants and manufacturers of this section direct access to the great Indian empire, and the zone of Boston's commercial influence, already extended as far as Alexandria by the inauguration of our new Mediterranean service, will be carried several thousand miles farther east, almost to our new possessions in the Philippines.

The range of our regular steamship service, therefore, will extend to Copenhagen in the north of Europe and to Calcutta in Asia. The latest acquisition will restore to Boston, in a measure (if the hopes of the steamship and railroad people are not misplaced), her old-time prestige in the Calcutta trade, which she lost to New York during the '60s.

The preliminaries looking to the establishment of this new line have taken much time and correspondence and called for many conferences between the interested parties.

Second Vice-president William F. Berry and Export Traffic Manager A. S. Crane have represented the Boston & Maine railroad in the negotiations, and Norton & Sons of New York, the American agents of the American and Indian line, have been represented by Skeffington Norton, who has made many trips to this city.

The establishment of the line is the most important result that has been accomplished by the export department of the Boston & Maine road since its creation. The line, it is thought, will have direct communication with that road and the permanent berthing place of its steamships will probably be Pier 3, Hoosac tunnel docks, Charlestown.

The Bucknall Company, of which Bucknall Bros., of London, are the managers, is one of the largest steamship companies in the world, owning a fleet of over 100 steam craft, and operating regular lines to India, Australia and various other points in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans.

The steamships which will be assigned to the Boston service will probably be between 3,000 and 4,000 tons, the Bucentaur being of 3,583 tons gross.

They will come direct to Boston from Calcutta, touching at Colombo and Bombay en route, and for the present will call at other ports to finish loading on the outward trip. However, if the company receives sufficient support from the merchants and manufacturers of New England the service will eventually be made direct each way.

In addition to 4,977 bales of hemp consigned to the Ludlow Manufacturing Company, the Bucentaur brought from Calcutta, 47 chests, 33 half chests, 13 boxes, 501 packages of tea and a quantity of dry and salted calskins, pith goods, gunnies and salted kips. From Colombo, Ceylon, she brought 1,910 cases of tea and a large quantity of cinnamon.

In addition to this there is in her hold a considerable amount of general merchandise for New York. Most of the tea, after being discharged here, will be forwarded to Chicago and Montreal and other Canadian ports, possibly meeting en route shipments of China and Java tea coming eastward from the Pacific.

In speaking of the new service yesterday, Export Traffic Manager A. S. Crane of the Boston and Maine said that his company is very sanguine of the success of the new enterprise, although much will depend upon the extent to which the line is supported by the shippers of New England.

The steamships engaged in the new service will be obliged to steam over 20,000 miles in making the round trip, the voyage in a single direction consuming about a month. The Bucentaur sailed from Colombo for Boston Dec. 30 and called at Port Said to replenish her coal.

CAPTAIN AND MATE DIED.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—Word was received here today of the death at sea of Captain T. J. Geisge, commander of the Boston barkentine Arlington, which arrived at Rufisque, Africa, yesterday, from this port. The second mate of the vessel, A. Lannits, also died on the passage. The cause of the deaths of the two men was not contained in the cablegrams received by the owner of the vessel, and a cable has been sent to the African port for further particulars.

Captain Griggs was one of the best known master mariners sailing out of this port. For years he has been in the employ of John S. Emery & Co., and has commanded many vessels. He was 71 years of age and belonged in South Portland, Me., where he left a wife and two daughters.

The second mate, although a native of Russia, was a naturalized American citizen. He joined the vessel before she left on her present voyage, and is highly spoken of by the owners of the craft.

Upon the death of the captain command of the Arlington devolved on first mate Lemuel Fickett, who navigated her to her destination.

YORK AND SUNBURY BAPTISTS.

MAUGERVILLE, Sunbury Co., Feb. 17.—The York and Sunbury County Baptist quarterly meeting have just closed their sessions, which were held on Friday and Saturday in the Lower Maugerville Church, and on Sunday in the new church at Upper Maugerville. The business sessions were marked by unusual enthusiasm.

The consecrated young pastors have caused unusual encouragement among the church members, the reports from the churches were in the superlative sense most hopeful.

Rev. F. B. Seelye preached on Friday evening. On Saturday he delivered a most inspiring address on "The Sixth Century Fund Movement." On Sabbath morning Rev. E. H. Thomas of Rochester, N. B., an ex-pastor of the dedicatory sermon at Upper Maugerville to a gathering that taxed the large new audience room. Text: Exodus 31: 18: "Thy people have found favor in Thy sight." Subject:—No advance without God. In the afternoon another great audience was present and listened to an address by Rev. W. R. Robinson of Gibson.

An appeal was made for an offering of \$100 to cancel the indebtedness against the house by Rev. E. H. Thomas and J. W. Spurdon of Fredericton. The cash offering was quickly taken, amounting to \$104.4. The congregation immediately arose and sang the doxology.

The Rev. Mr. Thomas then extended the right hand of fellowship to four new members, including the young pastor Rev. E. B. Rogers.

At the evening meeting, Rev. H. F. Adams preached a powerful evangelistic sermon. Rev. Mr. Thomas conducted the after meeting, at which to the joy of many, nearly a score of persons expressed a desire to live and lead the Christian life. The meetings were being conducted this week, Revs. Adams and Thomas assisting.

A BAG OF TURKEYS.

On Saturday last three men belonging to Washington, N. B., called on Market Clerk W. H. Dunham that a bag containing eight turkeys belonging to them had been stolen from the country market. They said that they had brought some produce in about half-past eight o'clock on Friday night and left it with the night watchman at the market. On going to the building on Saturday morning they found this bag of turkeys missing. The men were positive in their statement that it had been left there and that it disappeared. Mr. Dunham referred them to Director Wisely, who advised them to make out a certified bill for the turkeys, which would be paid.

Yesterday Mr. Dunham received a letter from C. H. Akerley, one of the three men, to the effect that he had been mistaken about the loss of the turkeys, that they had turned up all right and that he was very sorry for having caused so much trouble. He does not explain where the turkeys were found, but does remember that they were never brought to the city at all.

THE ASYLUM INQUIRY.

The charges which Dr. Travers, assistant superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, has made against the superintendent, Dr. Hetherington, and which will be investigated by the attorney general is understood to relate to the purchase of supplies. The reports are that Dr. Travers, during the absence of Dr. Hetherington, made a purchase of some drugs which he considered were required, and when Dr. Hetherington returned he objected strongly to the purchase and ordered that the goods be returned. Dr. Travers refused to do this, and insisted that under the rules he had power to make the purchase in the superintendent's absence. As a result of the disagreement over the matter, Dr. Travers made a complaint to the commissioners, and the inquiry by the attorney general was ordered.—Globe.

DEATH OF J. W. SLIPP.

The death occurred Tuesday morning at his home, Hampstead, Queens county, of John W. Slipp. Mr. Slipp was about thirty years of age, unmarried, and has been ill for some time. One brother, Duncan, living at Wickham, survives him.

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ABOUT HEAVEN AND HELL.

Learned, Eloquent and Deeply Interesting Lecture by Rev. H. F. Waring.

The reputation of the speaker and the interest of the subject drew a large audience to Brussels Street Baptist Church last evening to listen to the lecture by Rev. H. F. Waring upon "The Truth About Heaven and Hell." They were rewarded by an address carefully prepared, showing evidences of deep research, elegant literary style and delivered with a dramatic force that held their closest attention to every sentence.

In opening, the lecturer after sketching the plan which his address would follow, dealt with the significance of the various references to a future state in the Old Testament and showed that no evidences of a belief in a personal resurrection were found among the Hebrews until after their return from the great exile, during which they had come in contact with the religions of the East. The first clear note in the Bible song of resurrection, he said, was found in Isaiah, chap. 24-27, and that was a note of joy.

In passing to the New Testament, the speaker dwelt on the necessity of a study of those extra-canonical writings covering the period of two centuries between the old and the new, for a proper understanding of the beliefs of the Jews at the time of Christ, and of the significance of some of the terms used in reference to the future state. The words translated "Heaven" in the authorized version of the New Testament were Hades or Sheol, signifying only the unseen place of the departed; Tartarus, signifying the place of the fallen angels, and Gehenna, which denoted a place of future punishment. This word was so used by Christ eleven times. "So," he said, "those who say that a God of Love and a Hell are together unthinkable, should remember that Jesus Christ, God's revelation of Love, taught of future punishment. And however much men may quibble on the translation of the word interpreted as 'eternal,' there is nothing to show that the thought of the punishment as ever coming to an end. Any foundation for such a belief may only be found in His general teaching of hope and love. Christ was a practical, not a theoretical teacher. Life here, He taught, determines destiny beyond. He does not get into Heaven who does not get Heaven into himself. Hell begins here and the brimstone of Hell is sin. Hell and sin with Jesus Christ were relative; one implied the other. The essence of Hell is separation from God.

The doctrine of an intermediate state, purgatory, future probation and final restoration were carefully discussed and asserted to be not a part of the direct teaching of Christ, whose attitude toward them was one of reserve. He quoted the famous texts used in affirmative argument on the questions and impartially discussed the various views. In speaking of the doctrine of final salvation for all, he drew in eloquent language the conventional picture of the scathed few progressing heavenward and the countless millions of all generations descending to hopeless and eternal woe, and asked "What think you? Is it true? If there be no final restoration nor future probation, is that true? Scripture in its definite teaching supports neither doctrine. If there be foundation for them it is in the inference from the revelation of God as Grace and Love, so that all is love, even if all is law. Do I believe that only a few shall be saved and that hardly? I answer by telling you that Christ was asked that question and did not give a direct answer. He gave a direct message for the heart instead: 'Strive to enter in at the narrow door.' That is what I have for you. Strive to enter. If you have not the spirit of striving I can give you no hope."

The doctrine of the millennium was then taken up and pronounced without foundation in scripture except the partly figurative passage in Revelation. The belief in Satan was discussed in Old and New Testament light, and the silence, of higher religious circles on the question today

contrasted with the general belief of the early Christians. In place of a personal devil the doctrine today emphasized was that of a personal Christ.

In summarizing, the speaker quoted as the one abiding principle through it all, that "true and lasting life consists only in oneness with God." He traced briefly the effect of that principle upon man's view of death from Old Testament days, when it was dreaded, down to Paul, who could look upon it as a gain, because his life had been with Christ in God. The truth about Heaven and Hell to Paul was that to be with Jesus was heaven and to be without him hell.

Recorder Skinner, who presided, voiced the feelings of the audience in a brief tribute to the strong reasoning and deep penetration exhibited in the lecture.

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JOKE WAS EVIDENT.

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"Why so?"

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Chicago News.

THE LESSON OF THE BIDDLE TRAGEDY.

The chief lesson of the Biddle tragedy at Pittsburg would seem to be that a jail is no fit place of residence for a family. It too frequently happens in our prisons that a place which is designed for the sequestration of criminals become the homes of the wives and children of the officers in charge. It is not a fit nor a pleasing spectacle to see the children at play in the corridors or court-yards of the jails, and it certainly is no proper occupation for the warden's wife to be acting as a servant to those incarcerated within. The influence of such a contact upon the youthful mind is hardening and evil. The influence of so much visible suffering upon the mind of a woman, preying, as such spectacles do, upon the active sympathy of a sensitive organization, is subversive of that rigorous discipline which should prevail if these institutions are to be made effective. To guard against a repetition of the Pittsburg horror, by which a revolting tale of murder, betrayal of trust, and domestic dishonor was spread in nauseating detail before a public eager for unhealthful sensations, every jail-yard used as a play-ground and every prison tenement used as a home for individuals possessing no official connection with the administration of the law should be cleaned out, and only those actively in the service of the state as guardians of these institutions permitted to remain in them.—Harper's Weekly.

THE STOWAWAYS.

The parents of the five Lower Cove lads who stowed away in the steamer Baroda, which left here early in December for South Africa with hay, received letters from the lads this week. They were at Port Elizabeth staying at the Seamen's Institute and Mission. It appears from one of the letters that when the youngsters went on shore they were arrested on placed in jail. The man in charge of the mission paid their fines, and it is understood secured places on a vessel going to Australia for two of them. The young chaps seem to like the country, but probably would be better pleased to be at home again. Letters were written to Capt. Davies of the Baroda from St. John, in which it was agreed that he would be paid for the trouble the boys put him to, and suggested that the young fellows be placed on a steamer coming this way. These letters evidently did not reach home. The Baroda is now at Algoa Bay.

Pilot Doherty received a letter on Tuesday from his son, who with four others, went to South Africa on the str. Baroda. On the arrival of the steamer at Cape Town the lads were transferred to the seamen's home. Two, Murray and one of the Rogers boys, had shipped in a vessel bound to Australia. The others were at the home at the time of writing.

Mrs. James Murray, of No. 25 Harding street, also received letters from her boy, Samuel, one of the stowaways. He relates how when they got to Port Elizabeth, South Africa, he and his mates were twice arrested as tramps, for the place was under martial law. Their fine was ten shillings, or ten days. They were in jail two days when the Seamen's Mission people there got two of them, Rogers and Murray, berths on shipboard, Murray getting a sight on a square-rigged vessel bound for Australia.—Globe.

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