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TWO BIG OCEAN STEAMERS ON THE ROCKS SIDE BY SIDE

Within Sight of Each Other White Star Liner Suevic, and the Elder Dempster S. S. Jebba are Ashore—The Passengers Have Been Safely Landed

LONDON, March 18.—Details received this morning of the disaster to the White Star Line steamer Suevic, homeward bound from Sydney, N. S. W., via Cape Town with nearly 600 passengers and crew on board, show that she struck the Brindles rocks close under the Lizard Light-house at about 10.30 last night, and will probably be a total wreck. Life boats and tugs from the Lizard and Palmouth soon reached the scene, and together with the Suevic's own boats, commenced landing the passengers. The women and children were first sent ashore. There were no fewer than 150 children on board, many of them being babies in arms, whom the local fishermen and their wives lifted out of the boats and carried through the surf to the nearby cottages.

A fresh wind, rough sea, and fog hindered early landing operations, but the fog lifted about 7 in the morning and from the forward boats loaded with passengers were sent ashore in quick succession.

By 1 p. m. all the passengers had been landed but the crew were still standing by the vessel. The North German Lloyd line steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II. during the morning passed close astern of the wreck, which was then thronged with passengers. The wrecked steamer's bow was low down in the water, her fore compartments were full and she seemed to be pinned on the rocks. As plenty of assistance was standing by the Kaiser Wilhelm II. proceeded. Steamers some of which are described as being large are ashore near Rye, Dungeness, Dover and Cuckmere. The vessel ashore off Cuckmere is the British steamer Nevestad from Novorossiysk, Black Sea. Her position is serious.

LONDON, March 18.—Almost within sight of the White Star steamer Suevic, the Elder Dempster Line steamer Jebba, from Calabar, Lagos, and other West African ports, ran on the rocks under the cliffs near Prawle Point early this morning. Her 70 passengers, many of whom were soldiers, and the crew, were safely taken ashore by the breaking over the steamer, rendering the life boats which are standing by the vessel, useless. The Jebba will prove a total loss.

BOSTON PROFESSOR HONORED WITH KNIGHTHOOD

BOSTON, March 18.—Prof. Gaetano Lanza, head of the mechanical engineering department of the Massachusetts Institute of technology, has been honored by King Victor Emmanuel, that ruler having conferred upon Prof. Lanza knighthood in the order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus. The decorations were sent to Ambassador Des Planches and delivered to Prof. Lanza by Consul Tosti. The Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus is one of the most important in Italy. Its membership is small and is made up of men of signal ability who are of Italian descent. Prof. Lanza was born in this city of Italian descent.

FOUND THE BODIES OF FLOOD VICTIMS

PITTSBURGH, March 17.—The bodies of J. M. Johns, brakeman, Wm. Cantwell, stevedore, and W. B. McKel, who were drowned last Wednesday when a freight train plunged through the West Pennsylvania R. R. bridge at Harmsville, which was weakened by flood, were recovered today by a diver. All three bodies were found tightly wedged against the boiler in the engine cab and were unrecognizable. A large part of the north water street in West Bridgewater, near here, slipped into the Beaver River tonight. A number of houses, street car tracks, trolley and electric light wires were injured. A row of 25 houses are in danger of collapsing and have been deserted.

ADVISES IRISHMEN TO FOLLOW BOTHA'S EXAMPLE

WOLVERHAMPTON, England, Mar. 17.—Speaking at an Irish demonstration here today, John Dillon asked the young men to sit at the feet of Generals Botha and Delarey. He said the South Africa people had conquered their conquerors. Botha was now a minister of the crown (being premier and minister of native affairs of the Transvaal) and that Irishmen might see the time when John Redmond would be the premier of Ireland. He said that he believed that in the victory of the Boers the Irish policy had been vindicated.

PIKE COUNTY WEDDING BELLS GEASE TINKLING

No Licenses Issued This Year—Authorities Investigating Conditions.

STROUDSBURG, Pa., March 18.—In a charge of having murdered his friend and next door neighbor, John Hoffman. According to Stanhoff's story, he was returning home just after midnight when he came on Hoffman man beating two boys in front of his house. Hoffman was in a fearful rage, he said, and when he interferred, turned upon him, Stanhoff said he was compelled to protect himself. His blows knocked Hoffman down and his head struck the stone curb, fracturing his skull, and he died soon after being taken to the hospital. Stanhoff was immediately arrested.

It is said a crowd of boys have been annoying Hoffman for some time, and it is supposed the two he was beating when Stanhoff interferred, were members of the gang whom he had caught.

MEN FIGHT FOR LIFE AGAINST 1,000 BATS

Cornered in Granary Room, the Drove Fiercely Attacks Its Would-Be Executioners.

WATERBURY, Conn., March 18.—With their backs against the wall and their clubs flying like hail, Charles Wheeler and William Wess, fought their lives with 1,000 gray granary rats. The men had planned a slaughter of the rats, but when the animals were cornered they came precious near devouring the men. Wheeler and Wess killed 200 rats in the brief but deadly combat which ended when only other men went to the rescue.

A horde of greedy rats infested H. R. Stone's and Co.'s grain warehouse at Woodbury and devoured much grain. Wheeler and Wess, clerks there, determined to exterminate the pests. For days they plugged various rat holes, then by sprinkling grain temptingly they finally lured the rats into a small room where brain is stored. While the big drove ran here and there the men plugged the rat holes in the little room and attacked the rats with clubs. But the rats, cornered, did not want to be clubbed. No sooner had Wheeler and Wess slammed the door behind them than a great lean rat, squealing, jumped at Wheeler's face. Behind it came the rest of the drove. They writhed at the men's feet, swarmed up their legs, bit savagely at their shoes and sprang high in the air in an effort to get at their unprotected hands and faces.

The men wielded their clubs like mad men and yelled for help, but the squealing animals only attacked them the more furiously. One worked his way inside Wess's trouser leg and tore it at the ankle. Another sank his teeth into Wheeler's hand. The two might have been eaten alive had not another employe heard their shouts and thrown open the door. The rats scurried out of the building and the two executioners dropped exhausted.

DRILL CASE SETTLED, ABSENTEES WERE FINED

Members of the Militia Must Attend Regularly—Important Decision Today.

A long delayed case brought by Capt. Smith, of G. Co., 62nd Fusiliers, against two members of that company, Walter Coleman and James Stevens, for not attending drill was concluded in the police court this morning after having been before the courts for the past seven or eight months. The charge was that on July 15, 1906, these two men had remained away from the drill, contrary to the regulations. The case has been postponed frequently, and when it was called on today, neither the defendants nor their counsel, J. King Kelley, were present. Col. J. R. Armstrong appeared for the prosecution. Evidence of a more or less technical nature with regard to the regulations was given by Col. Edwards, Major Magee and Captain Smith. It was shown that the men had taken their uniforms, had agreed to comply with the regulations, had been directed to attend drill, but did not do so. The magistrate accordingly imposed a fine of \$5 or 30 days imprisonment on each. This case was taken up chiefly as a test, and the decision by the magistrate will be of far-reaching importance to all who are in any way interested in the militia.

In probate court this morning letters testamentary in the estate of the late D. A. Gibson were read. The estate is valued at \$1,500 real and \$4,000 personal.

Harley Nobles, aged 67, of D. L. Nobles, Wright street, is seriously ill with typhoid fever at his parents' residence.

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MURDERED MAN WHO WAS BEATING BOYS Brooklyn Citizen Interfered in Behalf of the Lads.

Was Attacked by His Friend and in Defending Himself Caused Death

NEW YORK, March 18.—Some mischievous boys were indirectly responsible for the arrest early today of David Stanhoff, Jr., of Brooklyn, on a charge of having murdered his friend and next door neighbor, John Hoffman. According to Stanhoff's story, he was returning home just after midnight when he came on Hoffman man beating two boys in front of his house. Hoffman was in a fearful rage, he said, and when he interferred, turned upon him, Stanhoff said he was compelled to protect himself. His blows knocked Hoffman down and his head struck the stone curb, fracturing his skull, and he died soon after being taken to the hospital. Stanhoff was immediately arrested.

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ANOTHER MASSACRE OF JEWS IN ROUMANIA Whole Town Destroyed and Population Ruined.

Consternation Among the People of the District Who Fear Another Kshineff Horror

NEW YORK, March 18.—The cable despatches received last night by the Jewish Morning Journal, of this city, reporting that terrible massacres had occurred at Podhilio, Roumania, have caused consternation among the Roumanian Jews in New York. They fear another Kshineff affair, in which so many Russian Jews perished. Podhilio is only about thirty miles from Kishineff, which is in the province of Bessarabia, across the Russian frontier. All of the Roumanian societies in New York have been notified to attend a mass meeting from 8 to 10 o'clock, in the heart of East Side Ghetto, in order to devise measures for relief.

According to the cablegram received here, the Jews' merchants' stores were robbed and many persons were murdered. The cablegram follows: "Massacre going on since last Saturday. Town totally destroyed. All Jewish population ruined and houses destroyed. We ask help."

BENEDICTINE PRIEST ACTED STRANGELY ON STEAMER

NEW YORK, March 17.—After the clock in a steamship Troquois had docked at the foot of Clarkson street today, Father Roman, of the Benedictine Order of Priests, at San Antonio, Fla., was taken from his stateroom where he had locked himself in, by detectives and hurried in an ambulance to St. Vincent's Hospital. During the voyage of the steamer the priest had acted in a peculiar manner, and for two days the captain had watched him. Before entering the monastery to visit his sister, and on Thursday he boarded the Troquois at Jacksonville.

When the boat reached Charleston Cichester said that Father Roman left the boat. On his return the captain says he acted in a peculiar manner and on Friday the captain says that priest asked that some one remain with him in his stateroom. When the steamer docked today Captain Cichester went to the priest's stateroom and found the door locked. Though he rapped repeatedly the priest refused to open it. Detectives were then sent for and the door was forced.

NOTHING DOING AT FREDERIGTON TODAY

So Many Members Were Absent that the Committees Did Not Meet

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 18.—No business was transacted in the house this morning, owing to the absence of so many members. The municipalities committee met at 11 o'clock, but adjourned over until Wednesday, when further consideration of the Frederiction Assessment Act will be taken up. None of the other committees met.

LABOR UNIONS THE GREAT INFLUENCE FOR GOOD TODAY

TO PROTECT THE BRITISH IN PERSIA

Indian Government Will Send Troops if Developments Make it Necessary.

LONDON, March 18.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Bombay says that owing to the unsettled condition of the Persian government the government of India is negotiating with the British legation at Teheran regarding the protection of the British consulates in Persia. Troops will be in readiness to be dispatched, but developments will be awaited before sending them lest the Persian population be inflamed and the Persian government embarrassed. The correspondent instances the unrest in the Urgui district, where the governor has been removed, owing to the protest of the British and American ministers.

The Teheran correspondent of the Mail, recording the persistence of lawlessness, says that the parliament sent ten delegates to the Shah to tell him the anarchy in the country was due to his wilful opposition to parliament, which disclaimed responsibility in the event of "interested neighbors" taking advantage of the chaos in Persia.

STILL ANOTHER WEEK OF THE THAW TRIAL

NEW YORK, March 18.—When the Thaw trial opens today the question of admitting the Hummel affidavit will be taken up. The outlook is that the sensational document will be admitted, read and spread on the records. This work, it is expected, will be concluded at the morning session, and will probably complete the state's rebuttal.

Both District Attorney Jerome and the Thaw lawyers seemed to be agreed yesterday that, unless something unexpected presented itself, Mr. Delmas would begin calling his witnesses in rebuttal this afternoon. Evelyn Thaw will probably be the first witness called by him. His testimony will be a contradiction of that given by Lawyer Hummel regarding the affidavit. Whether Dr. Britton, Dr. Evans and Charles Wagner, the defense's experts, will be called again, the Thaw lawyers did not seem sure yesterday, although it is their intention to call Dr. Grace Lyocum, in the heart of East Side Ghetto, in order to devise measures for relief.

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BAPTIST MINISTERS IN REGULAR SESSION

The United Baptist ministers met in weekly session this morning. Those present were: Rev. A. B. Cohoe, E. C. Jenkins, P. J. Stackhouse, A. J. Prosser, W. Camp, Gideon Swin, W. W. McMaster, J. Harry King and Dr. Manning, Rev. A. B. Cohoe presided.

Rev. P. J. Stackhouse reported that he had handed in his resignation from the pastorate of the Tabernacle Baptist church, the same to take effect on the first Sunday in May. Several of the ministers present spoke in high terms of Mr. Stackhouse's work during his pastorate of six years in this city. He will succeed Rev. B. H. Nobles in Campbellton, N. B. Mr. Nobles is to accept the pastorate of Victoria street Baptist church, this city.

Rev. E. C. Jenkins reported one baptism yesterday morning. Rev. P. J. Stackhouse reported that he had conducted special services in West Lester, N. S., last week. Thirty persons joined the Baptist church during the progress of the meetings. Rev. W. Camp read a review on Dr. Dale's work on the Atonement. Rev. A. J. Prosser, former pastor of Waterloo street Baptist church, but now of Port Maitland, N. S., was present at the meeting. He stated that he was enjoying his new pastorate very much.

SUFFRAGETTES' SUPREME OFFER

Willing to Sacrifice Their Hair to Gain Entrance into Commons.

LONDON, March 18.—When the suffragettes proclaimed their readiness to die for the cause some thought the scheme of renunciation had been reached, but Mrs. Martin, secretary of the Women's Political Union, propounds a deeper sacrifice which they are prepared to make. She says that in order to facilitate

William J. Bryan Says They Have Done More for the Country Than Any Other Institution—Women Benefitted as Much as Men.

CHICAGO, March 18.—Wm. J. Bryan at the closing conference yesterday in connection with the industrial exhibit, expressed the opinion that trades unions have done more good for this country than any other force in the country.

Although he disclaimed any scientific knowledge of the question, Bryan's remarks were received with satisfaction by the audience of union men from the Federation of Labor, who attended the meeting. "The unions have made some mistakes, but they have accomplished more good" was the keynote of his speech. He paid a tribute especially to the organizations of women in this connection.

"When we consider that through trade unions, wages have been increased, hours shortened, and comfort afforded the working men in greater measure," he said, "it is not too much to say that the benefits resulting from these unions cannot be over-estimated. Perhaps no other force in the country ever has been so effective for improvement in the citizenship and general moral qualities of our people. The Australian ballot system, for one thing, is largely due in this country to the agitation of the trade unions. I almost feel safe in saying that it had not been for the interest in this reform by this organization we might still be employing the old system of voting. If the labor union had never done anything else than raise the age limit for the employment of children in the mines and factories of the nation, I would think that accomplishment alone would justify its existence. No influence in this country has ever been so evil in their effects as the tendency to crowd our worksheds with children of tender years. It is a most destructive tendency, and one that public conscience should protest against."

Referring to female industries Mr. Bryan said he believed women might benefit as much as men through organizations and unions.

NEARLY THREE HUNDRED MEN STUDY THE BIBLE

Wonderful Success of the Class Now Being Conducted in St. John's Stone Church

A year ago last October a men's class was formed in St. John's (Stone) Church. All interested in the class meant to make it a success, and today their hopes have been realized, as the class is the largest and one of the most successful that has ever been formed in this city.

Rev. Gustav A. Kuhring, whose efforts have been the cause of much of the success, stated that in October, 1905, it was announced that a man's Bible class would be started in connection with the church. Gentlemen from other churches were invited to attend. The first meeting was attended by about sixty men. The membership soon increased and when the class closed last spring there were 290 names on the roll. The class reopened in October last. Eighty attended at first, but the membership soon grew and today 274 citizens of St. John are members. Professional men, merchants and younger clerks, are represented in the 274 members. The subject taken up by the class this year is the Epistle to the Romans.

Mr. Kuhring has arranged all the meetings to be interesting and instructive, and new members are seen nearly every Monday night. Mr. Kuhring wishes it understood that the class is free to all. Members of churches of other denominations are made welcome, but Mr. Kuhring declines to receive as members of his church any who are already members of other churches. Not one man has left one church to join his, and Mr. Kuhring is pleased to be able to note this.

TO FACILITATE SHIPPING OF PULP WOOD FROM CANADA

PORTLAND, Me., March 18.—By the leasing of the wharf property in this city for a long term of years, arrangements have been completed for a new line of steamers to run between this port and the St. Lawrence river. The line will be used to bring down large quantities of pulp-wood from the Canadian provinces.

their entrance into the House of Commons in men's clothes without detection so that they may make a demonstration they are willing to have their hair shorn. An irreverent reporter asked Mrs. Martin if she had ever worn male clothes. She replied that she should not think of answering such a personal question.