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STEAMER LOST WITH 24 ABOARD

German Freighter is Driven Ashore on Spanish Coast

A MINE HORROR

Twelve Entombed Men Fighting for Life in Burning Shaft—Can be Heard as They Struggle to Get Out—Riot and Death in Chicago Strike

London, Dec. 15—The German steamer Palermo is a total wreck off Cape Corrubodo on the West Coast of Galicia, Spain. Her five passengers and crew of nineteen were lost.

Advices today state that the vessel struck and went to pieces during a fierce gale last Sunday night.

The Palermo was a freight and passenger vessel of 686 tons.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 15—Twelve men are reported entombed in Shaft No. 2 of the Leyden Coal Company at Leyden, Colo., fourteen miles west of Denver. The fire started about 9 o'clock last night, the result of an explosion and the timbering of shaft was ablaze in a moment, cutting off escape in that way.

Shaft No. 1 is separated from shaft No. 2 by a narrow wall. A rescue party under the direction of Samuel Perry, president of the Leyden Coal Company was endeavoring early to break down the wall and the twelve emprisoned men could be heard working madly in their efforts to gain freedom. There is no hope of stopping the fire at present and every effort is being made to gain an entrance to the entombed men through shaft No. 1.

Chicago, Dec. 15—In a clash between striking garment workers and police today one workman was shot dead, another fatally wounded and several combatants on both sides seriously injured. Non-union tailors employed by B. Kuppenheimer & Co., were being escorted to a shop and had been assailed by the strikers.

Charles Werneck, one of the policemen injured, may die. A striker, Mark L. ewiss, shot through the lungs by one of the police guards of the non-union workers, is reported dying in St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

BATTLE IS RESUMED

Mexico City, Dec. 15—A special to the El Heraldo Mexicano from Chihuahua says that the main body of revolutionists who retreated upon Cuidad Guerrero after Sunday's battle, were attacked at that place yesterday and that the conflict was still in progress at the time of the filing of the despatch. It is known, the despatch says, that for three hours after Sunday's rout of the rebels the federal forces pursued them, capturing many prisoners.

The revolutionists are estimated to be about 900 strong and are said to be making a stubborn resistance.

GETS $4,000 PENSION

Minneapolis, Dec. 15—Cyrus Northrop, on Jan. 1, on his resignation as president of the University of Minnesota, will be eligible for a pension under the Carnegie fund. He says he will accept it "as an honor." He will receive $4,000 annually, the maximum.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES

Golden Gate, Wn., Dec. 14—Louis R. Glavis, principal witness in the Pinchot-Ballinger hearing, was acquitted today on the charge of having started a forest fire.

Washington, Dec. 14—The offer of Glenn H. Curtiss, to instruct a naval officer in the operation of the aeroplane, will be accepted by the United States navy department.

Newpora, Ky., Dec. 14—William C. Cleborne, who surveyed the original route for the Union Pacific Railway through the wilds of the far west, died today, aged 73. He was a brother of General Patrick Cleborne, a noted confederate officer.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14—The bubonic plague is disappearing from Manchuria. No new cases have been reported for three days.

Rome, Dec. 15—There have been three new cases of cholera and two deaths since yesterday morning.

Madrid, Dec. 15—P. Diaz Cessio, Spanish consul general at Constantinople, has been appointed consul general at New York.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15—Major John F. Hanson, president of the Central Georgia R.R. and one of the best known railroad officials in the south died today of heart trouble.

Jamestown, N. Y., Dec. 15— By the burning of a farm house near Russell, Pa, last night, the five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson was burned to death and two younger children will probably die.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15—Congressman Joel Cook, died today of apoplexy. He was sixty-eight years old.

SCHR. WILLIAM L. ELKINS.

J. Willard Smith, St. John agent of the schooner William L. Elkins, which put into Machias, Me., leaking, has received word from the captain of the vessel to the effect that repairs were made and the Elkins had proceeded for St. John. She is expected here any time.

THE WEATHER

Winds increasing to strong breezes and gales, shifting to northwesterly and northerly, light snow; colder on Friday.

CAN DO AS WELL HERE AS IN WEST

This is Burden of W. B. Snowball's Speech to Chatham Board of Trade

Annual Meeting Elects D. P. MacLachlan, M. P. P., President—G. Stead is Vice-Chairman—The Business Outlook—Head of Pulp Company in Chatham Looking Into Affairs

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 15—(Special)—The annual meeting of the board of trade was held last night. W. B. Snowball, referring to the work of the year regretted that as much had not been done in the way of progress as perhaps might have been, but the prospects looked bright for the coming year. Many people had got into the way of thinking that the west was the only place where money was to be made, but he felt sure that if the same amount of energy was put forth in New Brunswick as would be necessary in the west, equally profitable results would follow.

He referred particularly to the products of the forest and the mine, which were now being rapidly developed, and spoke of the bright outlook for Chatham as a shipping centre. While he would be glad to welcome new industries to the town he was opposed to the principle of bonuses or exemptions as any concern that was worthy of existence should be able to stand its own share of local burdens.

D. P. Maclachlan, M. P. P., was appointed president and Geoffrey Stead, C. E., vice-president. The treasurer's report showed a balance of $33.19.

George Keyes, of Pepperell, Mass., president of the Miramichi Pulp & Paper Company, is in town to look into the company's affairs. Asked if he had any information as to the future of the industry or if the mill would be opened again, he said he had nothing to give [illegible] the present time.

WERE SUSSEX PEOPLE

Young Grand Opera Singer in Boston Daughter of Prof. MacVane

The Boston Journal of Monday says:—"True to her native land, the country of the Stars and Stripes, Miss Dorothy Alastair Macvane, the Boston girl who has come forth as a full-fledged singer in grand opera after three years of study, is waiting in Rome for engagements in the United States, ignoring a number of very flattering offers to sing in France.

"Miss Macvane is the daughter of Professor S. M. Macvane, of Harvard. She took lessons in the Boston Conservatory of Music and then went to Paris to complete her singing education. In the French capital she was told by those who were competent to pass judgment that she had a voice well worth cultivating and this fired her with an ambition to go upon the grand opera stage.

"Becoming a pupil of Signor Baldelli, who predicted great success for her, she studied hard for two years. At the end of that period her instructor informed her the time had come for her debut and he proceeded to arrange for it through his particular friend, Signor Ricordi of Milan. The American girl got an enthusiastic ovation on the night of her opening appearance at the Adriano Theatre in Rome.

"Miss Macvane will continue to sing in Italy, meanwhile biding her time in the expectation she may in the near future come back to the United States and show her fellow countrymen and women that she has made full use abroad of all her opportunities as a vocalist."

A Boston correspondent of the Times writes that "the young lady is about as much of a Canadian as she is American. She may have been born here, but her father and mother (who was a DeMille) came from Sussex, and must have relatives in St. John.

HALF MILLION NEEDED TO SWING DEAL FOR CONTROL OF ST. LOUIS BROWNS

New York, Dec. 15—The American League did not conclude its business yesterday and adjourned till today. The problem of St. Louis remained to be settled but president Ban Johnson and his associates were reported to be confident today would see a transfer of control in the club effected. One forecast was for the retirement of President Hedges and the passing of his control to the other interests.

Backers of Jas. McAleer, manager of the Washington Club and former manager of the Browns, were thought to have the best chance of securing the club. In this event the plan was to put McAleer again in charge of the team with which he made a strong bid for pennant honors in 1908. It was said that $500,000 would be required to swing the deal.

The American League has passed favorably on the petition of the Western League and the three I League to retain their present classifications. The National League laid the petitions of the minor organizations over until today.

NEWS OF MONCTON

Moncton, Dec. 15—(Special)—The death of Silas Cole, occurred this morning aged eighty-nine years. He is survived by three sons, E. C. Cole, merchant, of Moncton; Charles, of New York and Fulton, of Hamilton, Ont; also, one daughter, Mrs. Frank Tay, of Malden, Mass. The funeral will be on Saturday morning to Dorchester. He was a native of Dorchester Cape.

Thirty-five officers and men from H. M. S. Egeria passed through Moncton today on the Maritime express from Vancouver for St. John. They will sail for England on three months' furlough.

COALITION MAJORITY IS NEARING THE 100 MARK

Only 64 More Seats Remain to Be Decided

NO CHANGE YET

Liberals Have Net Gain of One in The 606 Places Now Polled—Sons of Former Premiers in Contest—Asquith Calls on Balfour to Apologize

Associated Press

London, Dec. 15—Only sixty-four seats in the new parliament remain to be filled and the coalition parties already have a majority of ninety-two, although the Unionists as a homogenous party still have the largest majority with a total of 257 elected to date.

The supporters of the government are as follows: Liberals 236; Irish Nationalists 64; Independent Nationalists 9; Labor members 40; an aggregate of 349.

The Laborites have held their own and thus far have secured the same number of seats that they held in the last parliament. Two Liberal and one Unionist gain in the returns known today give the Liberals a net gain of a single seat in the 606 constituencies now polled.

The Dartford division of Kent and Kirkeudbrightshire returned to their old faith of Liberalism while the Unionists turned out the Liberal member. H. C. F. Luttrell for the Tavistock division of Devonshire, electing J. W. Spear.

There was much interest in the fight between the sons of two former premiers for the seat for the Wisbeck division of Cambridgeshire, but Neil Primrose, the sitting Liberal member, easily staved off the attack of Lord Robert Cecil, the Unionist candidate and increased his former majority of 200 to 540.

The final polling in England will be on Saturday. A few Irish and Scotch constituencies will vote on Monday and those returns will complete the elections.

Times' Special Cable

London, Dec. 15—Hon. Mr. Asquith at Glossop last evening intimated, as already anticipated by the Canadian Associated Press, that the plural voting bill will be passed immediately after the parliament bill. He invited an apology from Mr. Balfour for the latter's allegation that he kept home rule in the background until a majority of the elections had been decided. He referred Balfour to his speech of November 25 in Hull.

Mr. Balfour at Haddington said that Hon. Mr. Haldane had observed with apparent complacency that the prophecies that commerce and industries would diminish unless the electors voted for protection had been falsified. He (Balfour) quoted that for the purpose of showing that anybody who supposed that good times or booming trade were contemplated by those who called themselves, as he called himself, tariff reformers showed complete ignorance of tariff reform. They would have an alternation of good and bad times under any system. "To tell me that, because in the eleven months which have elapsed since I last addressed you in this hall trade has improved and that that therefore prophecies that the tariff reformers have been falsified is to show complete ignorance of the whole case of tariff reform whether that case be good or bad." (Cheers).

Results Yesterday

Somerset South, Strachey, 4,784; Hebert 4,317.

Holderness, Arnold, 4,480; Wilson, 4,861.

Wisbech, Primrose, 5,401; Cecil, 4,857.

Eastbourne, Morrison, 4,920; Gwinne, 6,873.

Somerset, North, King, 0,299; Beauchamp, 5,378.

Midlothian, Elibank, 8,837; Hope, 5,680.

Rye, Pearson, 4,927; Borwick, 4,157.

Antrim, North, MacAfee, 2,974; Smiley, 3,557.

Kircudbrightshire, McInkery, 2,817; McNeil, 2,625.

Stroud, Allen, 5,051; Fitch, 4,849.

Wexford South, French, 3,578; Cummings 1,164.

Dartford, Rowlands, 9,152; Mitchell, 8,918.

London (Norfolk East), Price, 5,265; Meyer, 3,865.

Nuneaton, Johnson, Lab., 8,199; Maddocks, 7,501.

Hyde, Neilson, 5,562; Smith, 5,268.

Chesterfield, Haslam, 7,283; Radford, 5,055.

Eddisburg, Stanley, 5,023; Barnston, 5,312.

Isle of Wight, Ralli, 6,969; Hall, 7,192.

Caithness—Harmsworth, 2718; McLeod, 2081.

Tavistock—Luttrell, 6919; Spear, 6,409.

Tyrone North—Barty, 3170; Hamilton, 3038.

Kerry South—Boland, 2395; Cronin, 451.

Waterford West, O'Shea, 2402; Healy, 727.

Latest Picture of Chancellor Lloyd-George

MARKET CLEAN-UP

The New Broom is Sweeping—Committee to Consider Lease of Some Stalls, Also Forestalling, This Afternoon

There have been few idle moments for the employes in the country market since the new clerk was appointed. Two or three cartloads of rubbish that had accumulated for months in the side aisles have been removed, benches that had not seen brush or water for a long time have been scrubbed and the whole aspect of the market seems to have undergone a change for the better.

This afternoon the market committee will visit the building and discuss with Mr. Howe, the clerk, several matters concerning the institution. There are several stands at the head of the building that have been idle since the late clerk removed those who were holding them under lease from Mr. Potts, and transferred them to the lower end of the market. Since that time, it is stated that these dealers have not been paying Mr. Potts, and as they are anxious to get back to the old stands the committee will take up the matter this afternoon and consider whether or not they will rent them the stands and at what price.

The new clerk is preparing to have all the meat racks and counters thoroughly renovated, and he has also had the hallways and stairs in the upper portion of the building in Charlotte street, cleaned up. The rooms in that portion and also in the lower end in Germain street, will also be thoroughly cleaned and an endeavor will be made to put the building in better shape than it has been for a long time.

The forestalling law will be considered this afternoon and a decision reached regarding its enforcement.

A LONG TIME AWAY

George Gosline Pays Visit Home After 46 Years' Absence

An interesting visitor to the city yesterday was George Gosline, who at the age of eighty years, has been on a visit to his old home at Smith's Creek, for the first time in more than forty-six years. He left home when quite a young man, and since then has travelled extensively, but of late has been living with his son in Presque Isle, Me. For some years he was owner of hotels in Bangor and Houlton, but retired from business a few years ago.

This is the first time he has taken a holiday to re-visit the scenes of his boyhood days since he was a very young man, and with the exception of a very few faces he remembered not many of those who live in the vicinity of Smith's Creek at the present time.

Mr. Gosline, who is an uncle of policeman Jas. H. Gosline, returned to his home in Presque Isle last night.

WEALTHY MERCHANT IS HELD FOR RANSOM

Cuban Bandit Makes Third Capture—Secured $5,500 from Other Two

New Orleans, Dec. 15—A special to the Picayune from Havana, Cuba, says:

"Senor Peres, a wealthy merchant of Sancti Spiritus was kidnapped by the bandit Inocent Solis and $6,000 is being demanded as the price for the restoration of the prisoner.

"Senor Rafael Benin, a merchant of Havana, was captured by bandits in Remedios, Santa Clara province, Monday and was only freed after $1500 had been paid. He was badly treated and when returned to his friends was wounded.

"Inocent Solis is a notorious bandit Last summer he obtained $4000 as ransom for a son of Manuel Lopez of Ciego De Civida."

EXPECTS MILLION

Calcutta in India Believes Census Will Show Even More Than That

Calcutta, Dec. 15—Elaborate preparations are being made for the approaching census and as many as 4,000 enumerators are being employed, as against the 3,000 who were considered sufficient at the census of 10 years ago. It is expected that the returns for 1911 will show a population for Calcutta of more than 1,000,000 inhabitants, and not a little interest is being taken as to the numbers which the census will disclose.

The census in India arouses feelings which are probably absent in the vast majority of other countries, and in the census of 1901 such excitement prevailed in the northern quarter of Calcutta that it was thought advisable to hold three public meetings for the purpose of making clear to the people that the questions put to them had no sinister purpose behind them.

DIPHTHERIA QUARANTINE IN UPPER SACKVILLE

Crystal Babcock Dies—School Closed for the Present

Sackville, N. B., Dec. 14—(Special)—Owing to an outbreak of diphtheria in Upper Sackville several houses have been placed under quarantine by order of Dr. H. R. Carter of Port Elgin, health officer, who visited Upper Sackville on Tuesday.

A. Chase Fawcett has been appointed to take charge of the quarantine. The school has also been closed for the present. No services will be held in the Methodist church for some time. It is thought that a second case of the disease has appeared.

At the home of Albert Fawcett, Upper Sackville, on Monday the death of Crystal, Babcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Babcock took place. Death was due to diphtheria. She leaves several brothers and sisters.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

A FISH STORY.

There is a curious error in a news item in one of the morning papers, upon which the editor of the Chatham World will doubtless have something to say. The item states that one Albert Bass broke through the ice while skating on the Miramichi river. What really happened was that a Miramichi black bass humped himself and broke through the ice from the under side. It is a well known fact that the Miramichi bass is the finest in the world, and the most gamey fish that swims. There is more joy in playing a Mirimachi bass than in any other pastime short of a cruise with Commodore Stewart on the Oriana, in half a gale, off Chateau Anthony Adams. The particular bass referred to in the newspaper item doubtless found life rather dull, and just ripped up a section of ice to get some fresh air and find out how the Scott Act was getting on in Newcastle.

The angling editor of this paper also points out that it is absurd to talk about an Albert bass being found in Northumberland. The Albert bass is not a game fish, but a sluggish fellow who does not know what the name Bass stands for on the Miramichi.

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NO DANGER AT ALL.

Timid persons who fear that something will happen some day when a leak breaks out in the water main and the supply is shut off have no good ground for their fears. The water will never be shut off for more than a day or two at a time, and all the people need to do is to sit on the roof with a pail of harbor water to put out any fire that may occur.

MUST PAY $10,800 IN DUTY ON GEMS

Mrs. Theodore P. Shonts Does Not, However, Lose the Jewels

Seized at New York But There Was no Intent to Defraud—Were Exchanged in France For Others on Which Duty Had Already Been Paid

New York, Dec. 15—Mrs Theodore P. Shonts, wife of the president of the Interborough & Metropolitan Railroad Companies, will have to pay $10,800 duty on $18,000 worth of jewelry which she failed to declare on her arrival from Europe last week.

Mrs. Shonts was one of the passengers who came in on the North German Lloyd liner the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen, Cherbourg and Southampton. Soon after the liner docked it was announced that jewels, roughly estimated to be worth $20,000 had been held for appraisment, and that Mrs. Shonts would have to explain to Collector Loeb why she had failed to mention them in her customs declaration.

Mrs. Shonts called at the customs house and had a long talk with Gen. Nelson H. Henry the surveyor. Deputy Surveyors Razkiewicz and Smyth and Mark P. Andrews, head of the legal division of the customs, took part in the conference. Mrs. Shonts said that she had exchanged jewelry previously bought in Europe and on which duty had been paid, for the jewels which she brought in and that when she made the exchange she had been assured by legal counsel in France and also by the jeweler with whom she had traded, that the goods could be brought into this country free of duty. The gems that were under consideration consisted of a diamond collar, a pearl and diamond set La Vailiere, and a beautiful gold link chain set at intervals with perals.

The surveyor's investigation showed that there was no concealment of the jewelry and that the failure of Mrs. Shonts to declare it was not wilful. The customs regulations provide that "no seizure should be made in the absence of evidence of fradulent intent." and Collector Loeb cited this in giving his decision.

TO FORM COLONY FOR DRUNKARDS

Toronto to Secure Power to Expropriate Land to Establish Farm

Toronto, Dec. 5—That the City of Toronto will probably have in the near future a municipal "farm colony," to which cases of inebriety will be sent, in place of the present system of sentencing the unfortunate drunkary to jail for 30, 60 or 90 days, is the interesting announcement made by Property Commissioner Harris, at a meeting of the Ontario Society for the Reformation of Inebriates.

Under present legislation, Mr. Harris explained, the city has only the right to buy property for such a purpose, which, of course, would leave an opening for the rapacity of real estate speculators; it has, therefore, been decided to make application at the coming session of the legislature for power to expropriate or acquire land for a farm and to issue debentures to cover the cost of equipment.

Mr. Harris is confident that the sentiment of the ratepayers is strongly in favor of better treatment of inebriates, and that the issue of debentures will consequently be approved; while he sees in the establishment of this farm a distinct movement towards a day when it will be possible to use it for the reformation of all first or minor offenders against the law, so that it will no longer be necessary to maintain a city jail.

Prof. George M. Wrong, the president of the society, said that he thought this proposal afforded grounds for hope that conditions in Toronto, as regards the drink question, were on the verge of a change for the better; and he added that the farm was a practical certainty, as the leaders of the legislature were all pledged to obtain the power of expropriation.

TWO OF THE KAISER'S FLEET IN COLLISION

Kiel, Germany, Dec. 15—The German battleships Schwabon and Elsass collided in the bay last night. The former was considerably damaged and her repairs will require several months. The Elsass escaped injury.

UPRISING OF BEDOUINS IS SERIOUS

Many Turkish Officials Massacred and Troops Are Annihilated

REVOLT WELL PLANNED

Arabs Objected to Disarmament and Made Simultaneous Attack on Companies Sent Out to Force Them—Elkerak Scene of Massacre, Looting and Burning

Jerusalem, Dec. 15—Reports from the Syrian vilayets where the Bedouin revolts have been recently reported, indicate that the uprising is a serious one. Many Turkish officials have been massacred and at several military posts the troops were annihilated.

An Englishman who was an eye witness of some of the scenes of the uprising, brings a detailed account to this city Several companies of troops, he said, had been sent out with field guns to effect the disarmament of the Bedouins. The troops were scattered in small companies among the various tribes in the district east of the Jordan when the revolt broke out.

The revolt was carefully planned and executed. The Bedouins were led by Chief Mejilla of Elkerak, whose father was a desert cheftain of international prominence. The Bedouins, objecting to the disarmament programme, planned an armed resistance and attacked the troops simultaneously at all the stations north of Maon.

They were successful at every point, completely annihilating the troops, capturing sixteen field guns and killing many of the Turkish railway employes. The victorious revolters then moved on Elkerak, which is a town of about 2,000 inhabitants, located twenty miles east of the Dead Sea. Here, too, they were successful. They massacred the government officials and their families, looted and burned the government buildings and schools and robbed a party of tourists. The latter, however, suffered no personal injury.

It is asserted that the Christian residents and their buildings were spared. The garrison of Elkerak, consisting of a full battalion of infantry, is blockaded in the castle awaiting relief from Damascus.

MILLIONS OF ACRES IN NEW ZEALAND TO BE OPENED FOR SETTLERS

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 15—The premier of New South Wales, Mr. McGowen, announces that the government intend to make exhaustive investigations as to the crown lands that were available and held under improved laws and for short tenure suitable for settlement. They expected in this way to make many millions of acres available for settlers, a large portion of which would be in the great wheat growing districts.

The question of irrigation would also be carefully considered and works would be pushed forward, and it was hoped that within a year there would be large areas of permanently watered land to meet the needs of 5,000 families. It was, he declared, further proposed to arrange for advances to be made to settlers by the state bank.

NEW PORCUPINE FLOTATION

Toronto, Dec. 15—(Special)—The first big flotation in Porcupine came to the surface yesterday and went with a rush. It has been understood among brokers for some time that a new flotation, to be known as "Hollinger Gold Mines Limited," would be out about Dec. 15 and many of their clients in Toronto, Montreal and New York and also in London had placed orders for shares.

The stock opened on the Toronto market at $4 but advanced to $4.70 before the close of the morning session. The Hollinger Company which owns four claims in Porcupine has a capital of $3,000,000 of which $500,000 remains in the company treasury. The shares have a par value of $5.

Discount Rate Unchanged

London, Dec. 15—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged at 4½ per cent today.

FLOOD SITUATION DESPERATE

Crops in Large Part of Spain Ruined and Famine Threatens—Steamers Go Ashore With Loss of Life—Better in Italy

Barcelona, Dec. 15—Storms of a cyclonic character are flooding a large part of the country and the situation is becoming desperate in the provinces of Malaga Seville, Valladolid, Badajoz, Zamora, Ovideo and Corunna. Practically al the crops in these districts have been destroyed, and the people are threatened with famine. Many villages are now submerged, and countless bridges have been swept away.

Railroad and telegraphic communications are broken everywhere and it has been found almost impossible to send assistance to the sufferers.

The British steamer Gravina dragged her anchor at Corunna and was dashed against a jetty. The Norwegian steamer Tifli, chartered by the Royal Mail Steamship Company, is reported ashore at Oratava Teneriffe, and is regarded as a total loss. Four of her crew perished.

Rome, Dec. 15—The weather was improved today and the flood situation appeared less serious. In the district of the river Tiber much damage has been caused to crops and there has been a heavy loss of live stock.

Genoa, Italy, Dec. 15—Railway traffic along the Riviera is still interrupted by the floods. The postal service has been entrusted to torpedo boats.

Turin, Italy, Dec. 15—Following a hail and snow storm the weather moderated today. The river Po is falling at the rate of two inches hourly.