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Murray, Once Captain Of 'Empress of Ireland' Speaks Out For Crew

States That It Is Absolutely Unfair To Criticise Them Adversely; That They Acted As Brave And Well-Disciplined Sailors Should.

Quebec, June 5.—A strong word of protest was uttered by Capt. Murray, harbor master of Quebec, who for various years was commander of various C. P. R. vessels, and until her final fatal voyage, was captain of the Empress of Ireland, against criticism of the crew of the Empress of Ireland in the recent catastrophe.

Good Word For Crew

"I hear that there has been a lot of adverse criticism regarding the number of the Ireland's crew saved," said Captain Murray, "and I want to say a word for those good fellows. It is hard for a landsman to understand the exact circumstances, but there are standing orders that in any emergency such as a collision the crew must immediately hasten to their stations at the boats. My information is that the instant Captain Kendall saw that a collision was inevitable he gave the order to the second officer to call all hands to the boats.

Instant Obedience

"This order was instantly obeyed and that is why the men were saved. They rushed to the upper decks in an effort to launch the boats and were tipped off into the sea when the Empress careened after the other vessel lacked away.

"The spirit of both officers and crew was shown by the work of the chief officer, Mr. Steade, who marched up in his pajamas and started chopping the boats free. He was crushed to death by the fall of boxes hurled down as the ship lurched, but before he was killed he got several boats cut loose, which later saved a number of people."

Captain Murray stated that there was no doubt many of the Ireland's crew got to their stations and were thrown into the water while trying to do their best to save the passengers. Mr. Jones, the first officer, and Mr. Fife, the third officer, were actually cutting the lifeboat grips clear with axes when the final plunge came. Both went down with the ship but late came up and were saved by the lifeboats they had released, which rescued many others.

Good Bunch of Men

"The Empress had just as fine a crew as ever stepped on a ship's deck," said Captain Murray. "They were all Britishers and from what I can find they behaved as British sailors always do on such occasions. In fact, it was their quick response to duty that saved their lives, since the disaster came so suddenly that although they were at their posts they could do nothing more for the passengers."

Captain Murray's tribute to the Ireland's crew was endorsed by Mr. J. W. Langley, an Englishman now resident at Camford, B.C., who said that the men did everything possible in the few minutes between the crash and the sinking of the Ireland. Mr. Langley remarked that much of the loss of life was caused by the passengers not knowing the ship and losing their way. Although he knew the vessel well he had to crawl out legs first through a porthole, dropping clear over to the sea and at moment later was sucked down by the sinking vessel. Being a strong swimmer he rose to the surface and was saved by a lifeboat.

Refused Release Of 'Storstad'

Ship that Sunk the 'Empress of Ireland' Still Hung Up.

Montreal, June 4.—The application of the owners of the Norwegian collier Storstad, which rammed and sank the Empress of Ireland last Friday morning to be permitted to put up a bond in connection with the C.P.R. company's claim for two million dollars, and be allowed to depart from the port of Montreal, was to-day postponed until next Monday by agreement between counsel on both sides. In the meantime the Storstad re-

3-MASTED SCHR. ON BEAM ENDS

Steamer 'Halifax' Discovers a Two Hundred Ton Derelict, With All Sails Set, Off Cape Negro.—Vessel's Name Is Unknown.—Painted Black.—No Signs of the Crew.

Halifax, June 8.—A large three-masted schooner, name unknown, on her beam ends, with sails set, and abandoned, was reported six miles off Cape Negro yesterday, by the Plant Liner Halifax.

The vessel is about 200 tons, and appeared to have been in collision. Her bow was broken and stove in. She was apparently in ballast; painted black. There was no sign of the crew.

The schooner Ella M. Storey from Rockland, Maine, for Gold River, is twelve days out.

May Be Crew Of The Derelict

Fishing Schooner Makes Rescue From Vessel Which Foundered Off Cape Sable On Thursday

Gloucester, June 9.—The fishing schooner Monitor has arrived here with the crew of the schooner Annie R. Lewis, of Boston, which foundered off Cape Sable on Thursday.

The Lewis was bound from Bidgewater for New Haven, Conn., and sprang a leak in a gale and filled rapidly.

The crew took to the boats and were picked up in an exhausted condition by the Monitor.

The Lewis is likely the derelict reported by the steamer Halifax and which is being towed into Clark's Harbor by the steamer Coast Guard.

STOREY REPORTED.

Halifax, June 9.—The Ella M. Storey, thought to have been the derelict passed yesterday by the 'Halifax,' reached port safely to-day.

SALMON PLENTIFUL

There was an abundance of fresh salmon in the market yesterday. Vendors asked 15 cents per lb. at first, but during the day it was selling at 7 cents per lb.

C. W. Post Died Worth \$20,000,000

Made His Big Fortune Manufacturing Cereals Into Breakfast Foods

Washington, June 6.—An estate valued at \$20,000,000 is to be disposed of by the will of Charles W. Post, the cereal magnate of Battle Creek, Mich., which has been filed here for probate.

Mr. Post died May 9, at Santa Barbara, Cal. He claimed residence in the District of Columbia, and so resides in his will, which was executed at Battle Creek, November 3, 1913. The estate is left to his family and business associates.

Sad Message From The Sea

Paper Picked Up in Lake Tells of Loss of Vessel With Her Whole Crew

Salute Ste. Marie Mich., June 8.—From a crumpled piece of paper bedaubed with grease prints can be worked out the story of the fate of the Henry B. Smith, which left Marquette in the teeth of the terrific storm of November last, and was never heard from again.

The paper was picked up in a bottle by some men from the Vermillion life station, and reads as follows: "Sunday morning—To the Hawgood company, Cleveland, (finder please forward)—The Henry B. Smith broke in two, opposite number two hatch, about twelve miles east of Marquette. We are having an awful time.—(signed)—Oliver."

Not a soul was saved, and only one body was found, that of the chief engineer, whose corpse was washed ashore near Michipicooton, on the Canadian shore, and was found by Indians this spring.

'Let Them Die' Is The Popular Cry In England

People Have Got Tired of Outrages and Eccentricities Of Militants—Want Them Punished.

London, June 9.—"Let them die" is becoming a rather popular slogan in connection with the hunger-strike suffragettes, since the public has become so essential of the actions of the militant women.

It was reported that the Government decided to take steps in this direction by introducing the necessary legislation to identify the prison authorities against the consequences of allowing the suffragettes to starve themselves to death while in prison.

The Standard interviewed a number of prominent people, including clergymen, on the subject. All the latter quoted express themselves as in favor of the proposal. Father Bernard Vaughan, brother of the late Cardinal Vaughan, replied there would be nothing ethically wrong in letting them die. "Let them starve at once," he said, "and make up for lost time."

Rev. Waldron, Vicar of St. Matthew's said, "If the women refuse food they should be allowed to die."

Rev. Richard Freen, Vicar of St. Clement's, Fulham, said, "I think the suggestion very good; I have advocated it for many months."

Several others interviewed denounced both forcible feeding and the hunger strike, while Dickinson, Liberal M. P., Lady Cowdray and Lady MacKenzie, dismissed the suggestion as preposterous.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERMAN DROWNED

Michael Brown, Formerly of Burin, Loses Life Fishing Out of North Sydney

WENT OUT ON GROUNDS ALONE IN SMALL BOAT

And Then Disappeared.—Dominion Steamers Sent Out to Search For Him

North Sydney, June 4.—A sensation was caused at North Sydney when it became known that a man, named Michael Brown, well known in the town, was missing.

It appears that he went out alone in a small open row boat from North Sydney about four o'clock Wednesday morning with the intention of proceeding to the Low Point neighborhood for the purpose of fishing.

Since he left North Sydney no further word has been heard of him and the worst fears are entertained to-day as to his safety.

No News of Man.

Inquiries made at noon to-day at North Sydney and at Low Point are to the effect that no news of the missing man can be obtained. The D.G.S. Stanley has been down in the vicinity of Low Point and has searched the waters generally visited by fishermen. It is stated that the search did not discover any trace of the man or the boat but that an oar had been found. Whether this is true or only a rumor could not be authenticated, and, in any case, if the oar had been found it is not certain that it was one which belonged to the boat which Brown took out.

Native of Burin.

The missing man, Michael Brown, is a native of Burin, Nfld., aged about forty to forty-five, is about five feet nine inches in height and is of a spare type of build and has a brown moustache.

He has been married for a number of years and has several children. He was one of a number of men laid off work at the steel plant at Sydney Mines recently and it is thought that he had gone out fishing to procure a little money in that way.

As there was no food or fresh water in the boat when he left, it is thought that in the event of his having drifted out to sea he will be in sore straits unless he has been picked up by some passing craft which has as yet been unable to report him.

BOLDLY INVADED QUEEN'S PALACE

One, Harry Pike, Was Caught Exploring Buckingham Palace.—Had Secured Entrance By Scaling a Ten-foot, Spike-topped Wall—Claims He Was Drunk and Irresponsible.

London, June 8.—Harry Pike, who yesterday startled the authorities and the public by invading Buckingham Palace, is not a suffragette, according to the attorney for the prosecution, who appeared against him in Bow Street Police Court to-day.

The man, who climbed over the ten foot wall, surrounded by sharp spikes, which surrounded the palace grounds, eluded the sentinels, police, guards and servants. He did so while under the influence of drink, and with no ulterior objects, said the lawyer.

After overcoming all obstacles and evading the watchers, Pike strolled about for long time in the interior of the Palace. Once he was near Queen Mary's apartments, which he explored from the basement to the sixth floor.

It was only when he entered an occupied room that he was discovered and arrested. The magistrate remanded the prisoner for a week, for further enquiries.

Logy Bay Man Met Big Loss

Mr. Luke Lambert Had Fishing Premises and Gear Destroyed By Fire

Mr. Luke Lambert, fisherman of Logy Bay, met with a serious loss during the past week, by having his fishing premises, containing his two boats, nets, lines, hooks, razed to the ground by fire.

He resides with his family on Colonial Street and on Sunday evening he visited Logy Bay to witness the ruins.

Carelessness on the part of the man in charge is the supposed cause of the damage. The price was not insured.

Lynstrose arrived at Basques at 6 p.m. yesterday.

Picked Up Many Pelts Off Lapoile

Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier had a wire from LaPoile to-day that several white coat seals which had been in the water some time, and pillows bade of brin and stuffed with straw, were picked up yesterday.

The pillows are believed to have been thrown over from one of the sealers. The pelts were probably lost in the Gulf.

Found The Boat In Shoal Water

She Was Sunk With Sails Set.—Had Evidently Capsized.—No Sign of Body

North Sydney, C.B., June 4.—Evidence that Michael Brown, a fisherman of this town, missing since Wednesday morning, has found a watery grave, was brought in by the tug Hilford to-day.

Following the Stanley's unsuccessful search all day, the Hilford this afternoon located Brown's boat off South Bar. She was sunk in about three fathoms of water, her presence being detected by the lookout on the Hilford by her spar sticking out of the water.

Was Capsized.

It was evident that the boat was capsized, as her sail was still set, and that she had taken her occupant down with her.

The boat was towed into North Sydney and identified as that of Brown's. No trace of the missing man himself has yet been found and the search will be continued to-morrow.

Brown left port early Wednesday morning to go fishing off Low Point.

It is recalled that about a year ago, Brown while coming up from Sydney Mines had his boat swamped below the breakwater and that had it not been for the timely assistance of Mr. James Welsh he would have been drowned.

Commons Re-assemble; Mood of Members Not At All Conciliatory

Speeches Of Leading Men On Both Sides During The Adjournment Have Stirred Up Fresh Trouble—Archbishop of York Appeals For Peace.

MEDIATORS FACE HARD PROBLEMS

Trouble Likely to Arise With the United States Over Huerta's Declared Intention to Blockade the Seaport of Tampico.—American Proposals to be Presented to Conference To-day.

Niagara Falls, June 8.—Storm clouds hovered over the mediation proceedings to-day.

The Mexican delegates awaited word from the mediators as to the attitude of the American Government towards the proposed blockade by Huerta's gunboats of the port of Tampico, now held by Constitution-

alist. The American delegates were informed by Secretary Ryan that the attitude of the States was ready to be formally presented at the Conference to-day.

General Huerta has withdrawn his intention to blockade Tampico, according to official advices to the delegates at the mediation conference this afternoon. This removes danger of the rupture of the mediation proceedings and will permit the Constitutionalists to land their arms.

Have Plenty Of Provisions

Bartlett and His Party are Well Supplied With The Necessaries.

Fairbanks, Alaska, June 6.—Advices from St. Michael's say that Captain Robert A. Bartlett, of the Stefansson Arctic ship Karluk is confident that the crew, which is stranded on Wrangell Island has sufficient provisions and fuel to last until a relief ship reaches them.

Captain Bartlett, who made his way over the ice from Wrangell Island to the Siberian coast with one Eskimo and a dog team, and thence was taken to St. Michael's by the whaler Hermain, expects to sail from Nome to Seattle on the first steamer.

He says that the Karluk, crushed by the ice, sank sixty miles north of Herald Island on January 16. The men provisioned sleds and fought their way over the ice to safety.

Injured Operator Peak, Doing Well

Was Badly Battered About the Face By Gunshot While On Anticosti Island

The Allan liner Victorian brought to Liverpool on Saturday a Marconi operator who, in response to a "wireless" call for help, had been taken off the island of Anticosti, dangerously ill from a gun-shot wound. Captain Cook reported that on May 13, when he was about 130 miles south-west of Anticosti, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, a call was received from the Marconi station at Heath Point that one of the operators had been shot and needed immediate assistance, there being no doctor within a very long range.

The liner was at once headed for Heath Point, but the weather was so bad and the rocks so dangerous that a landing could not be made until next morning, when the operator, William Peak, was brought off in a boat. The left side of his face had been practically blown away through

WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Moderate North-easterly winds, fair. Wednesday—Moderate winds, fair and a little warmer.

London, June 9.—Parliament re-assembled to-day with both parties in a spirit far from conciliatory, in fact the readiness to compromise, which was apparent a month ago seems to have almost disappeared.

Speeches of Lloyd George in Wales, Sir Edward Carson in Ulster, and Lord Haldane at Oxford, have all served to widen the gulf between the parties, instead of bridging the gap; yet outside of Parliamentary circles public men as well as the general public are becoming more and more impatient of the political deadlock and the spectacle of rival volunteer armies drilling in Ireland.

Archbishop's Appeal

This feeling finds timely expression from the Archbishop of York, who, in a letter to The London Times, urges that the Irish problem is, of far too great a depth to be solved by merely supporting the resistance of Ulster and discrediting the Government. The Archbishop makes an appeal on behalf of thousands of thoughtful citizens to the members of Parliament and to leaders of all parties to lift this problem out of the entanglement of party pride and factions of policy and face it afresh with a resolute determination to seek peace and ensue it.

Blames Covenanters

The Westminster Gazette blames the covenanters' oath as precluding the possibility of any settlement by consent. It demands, as a first condition of any settlement, the acknowledgment that Home Rule must come and secondly that the two Irish parties with their leaders shall be given an opportunity of considering the whole position, without any interference from English parties.

The Government will again be pressed to divulge something of its plans.

Bishops Will Not Come This Month

Proposed Delegation From Canada Has Had To Be Postponed.

Recently we announced that a prominent deputation of Canadian Bishops, Priests and Laymen would visit St. John's while the Synod is open to lay before that body an invitation for closer union.

His Lordship Bishop Jones has received information that the deputation will not come this month.

The invitation was from the Provincial Synod of Eastern Canada, but the Canadian Church has deemed it wiser to extend the invitation from the General Synod which takes place in the whole of Canada.

The General Synod does not meet until September when the invitation will be extended.

the accidental discharge of a companion's gun within a yard of his head while they were out duck-shooting. He was unconscious and very exhausted owing to shock and loss of blood.

He was given treatment on board the Victorian by Dr. G. Moffat Thompson, the ship's surgeon, and is now thought to be out of danger. Anticosti is a barren island, 135 miles long by 40 miles broad, inhabited only by lighthouse keepers and the staff of the Marconi station.

The foregoing is clipped from the Banffshire Journal, May 26.

Murdered In Drunken Row

And An Italian Is Now Held By Police On a Capital Charge at Sydney.

Sydney, C.B., June 9.—As a result of a drunken fight at New Waterford, a Frenchman, Felix Bennett, is dead. An Italian, Louis Brachelli, has been arrested on a charge of murder.