MORE BOATS IN TROUBLE AT SEA

Disabled Vessel Reported Off Scotch Coast.

PANTHER IS SAFE

Fears for U. S. Repair Ship Were Groundless.

Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—Fears that have been entertained regarding the safety of the overdue British steamship Snowden Range, which sailed from here Nov. 23 for Leith, were intensified to-day when the captain of the Swedish steamship Vesterland reported that on Dec. 19, when about 700 miles west of Scotland he saw a steamship burning blue lights and sending up rockets.

About four o'clock on the morning of [illegible] 19th Captain Christiansen, of the [illegible] said, he was in communica[illegible] vessel, w[illegible] signalled [illegible] fro[illegible] Philadelphia [illegible] to [illegible] signal[illegible] life[illegible] [illegible] naval re[illegible] which alarm[illegible] reports ha[illegible] published ever [illegible]ce the storm of last week, was sight[illegible]d off Guantanamo, Cuba, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. She did not touch at the naval station at Guantanamo, but continued on her course to the Gulf of Guayacabo, wher the vessels of the Atlantic fleet will soon engage in target practice.

In view of the persistence with which reports have been published that the Panther was lost, these reports beginning more than four days before the date she was due at her destination, brought from Assistant Secretary of the Navy Winthorp a statement urging more consideration for the relatives and friends of the officers and men attached to vessels of the navy.

The statement by the Secretary was partly due to the acknowledgment of the representative of one press association that he had orders to write alarming despatches about the Panther since the first of the week.

POTATOES FOR THE FISHES.

Rockland, Me., Jan. 13.—Driven ashore on the Fiddler, a dangerous reef near North Haven, the potato-laden schooner Lena White, bound for New York from Whiting, Me., will probably be a total loss. When the vessel struck last night her crew escaped to Brownhead Light, a short distance from the reef. They will be brought here by a tug to-night.

SINKS ON REACHING PORT.

Halifax, Jan. 13.—The British ship Evelyn, 2,300 tons, salt laden, ran ashore at St. Esperite yesterday morning during a snowstorm. Her crew succeeded in getting the ship off and made an attempt to get to Louisburg.

The Evelyn arrived at the entrance to Louisburg harbor this morning, but sank there. Her crew of 33 were saved.

SINKS TWO OTHER BOATS.

Liverpool, Jan. 13.—The Booth Line steamer Ambrose White, proceeding in the Mersey to-day, collided with a fishing smack and lighter, sinking both of them. Ten men lost their lives.

FOOD WILL RUN OUT

Fort George, B. C., Faces Famine This Winter.

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 13.—That the food supply in Fort George is running short, and that there is likely to be actual suffering there before navigation opens up there in the spring, is the word brought out by John Beck, who, in company with Henry McNeill and Henry Marchah, reached this city the other day, after a tramp of 149 miles from Fort George to mile 52, B.C., in the face of a blizzard.

Seven men set out on the perilous trip from Fort George, with the end of steel—mile 52—as their destination. The three mentioned reached their destination after a week's hard travel—the others dropped off along the line at construction camps, exhausted, and unable to continue the march.

According to Beck, the camps of the larger contractors are plentifully stocked with provisions, but the supply in some of the smaller camps is already running short, and he predicts some hard times for the men before the winter is over.

QUEBEC FENIONS RAID VTES.

Montreal despatch—A delegation of Fenian Raid veterans interviewed Sir Lomer Gouin at the Government offices to-day, asking a provincial grant for the survivors. It was argued that the Government of Ontario had shown its appreciation of the services rendered to their country by the veterans, and that the Government of Quebec should follow suit. The Premier replied that the request would receive his full consideration.

The delegates were J. J. Ulley, C. W. Cousins, C. Lavallee and Major A. P. Patterson.

THE DAIRYMEN

Kingston Convention Hears Inspector's Report.

Kingston despatch—The deliberations of the Eastern Ontario Dairymen's Association were resumed this morning with a demonstration by J. Wiggins, of Montreal, on the mechanism and operation of scales for use in chese factories.

G. G. Publow, chief dairy instructor and sanitary inspector for Eastern Ontario, submitted his report for 1912. There were in operation during the season 895 cheese factories, which is 18 less than last year. Milk was delivered to these factories in better condition than in any previous year. The number of adulterations and deteriorations in milk is becoming less from year to year. In the quality of the cheese made a great improvement was noted, but there was still room for more. May, June, October and November cheese were the best ever made in this country, but September cheese was off quality.

There were 27 creameries in operation and with one exception all were found to be kept in a clean, sanitary condition. None of the butter made was exported, as it was all required for home consumption.

The speaker said that the weakest points in connection with the manufacture of our cheese were lack of facilities for the proper control of the temperature of the curing rooms, over-ripe and tainted condition of some of the milk during the warm weather, and lack of competent and sufficient help. The greatest needs of the creamery business were greater production of milk and butter per cow, improved quality of raw material, more care and skill on the part of some of the makers and better refrigerators in some of the creameries.

A new rapid method for the estimation of casein in milk was described by the originator, Prof. W. O. Walker, of the department of chemistry, Queen's University, Kingston. The scheme as proposed would enable makers to pay for milk for cheesemaking according to both its fat and casein contents. The method consists in estimating by means of a standard one-ninth normal alkali in general use in cheese factories.

The casein and fat contents of milk at Ontario cheese factories for the seasons of 1911 and 1912 were dealt with comprehensively by Prof. H. H. Dean, of the Ontario Agricultural College.

A FATAL FAMILY

Father Follows Three Sons in Violent Deaths.

London, Ont., despatch—Harry Mahon 59 Wilson avenue, West London, an elderly man employed as crossing watchman by the Grand Trunk at Ridout street, was struck by a freight train and perhaps fatally injured to-day. His condition is reported to be extremely critical at Victoria Hospital tonight.

Mahon lowered the crossing gates at his shanty on the north side of the track and walked across in front of an oncoming outward bound freight, which was on the westbound main line. He failed to notice an incoming freight on another track, and was struck and hurled a considerable distance. His left leg was smashed until the bones protruded, while he also suffered severe injuries to his left arm, body and head.

Three of Mahon's sons have met violent deaths, two of them at railway work and the third while employed as an elevator inspector.

A DIRTY PARISH

Not One Bath in This Vicar's Living.

London, Jan. 13.—Rev. E. Stogdon, vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Notting Hill, who wrote to The London Times stating "there was not a bathroom in his parish, and that in the hot summer a man was observed bathing in a cistern," said to-day that the parish has a population of 6,000 working people, and the houses were probably built before the bathroom era.

"I know my parish pretty well," he added, "but I have never seen or heard of a bathroom, as in some cases five or six families live in one house. This is a state of things which should not exist. The man who used the cistern caused a mild sensation in the district. It was in the sweltering summer of 1910, and the cistern was on the roof of his house. I am afraid I cannot say there was any strong feeling of revolt among the older generation. Traditional instincts do not warm to the bathroom theory.'

LONDON TAXI STRIKE.

New York, Jan. 13.—A London cable to the Herald says: The Auto Cab Company of St. Pancras, as a result of the strike, offered yesterday to sell 500 auto cabs to their late employees on the instalment system. Many chauffeurs will accept the offer.

Seven hundred employees of the W. & G. Company marched to the headquarters of the corporation and surrendered their uniforms. The company will probably engage non-union men.

More auto cabs were in the streets yesterday, than on any day since the strike began, but the great body of the strikers refuse to return to work.

IN DEATH NOT DIVIDED.

St. Thomas despatch—Sydney J. Parker, of Dexter, died Wednesday morning after a long illness. Mrs. Parker, who had devotedly nursed her husband throughout his illness, took ill with pneumonia the same day and died this morning, 24 hours after the demise of her husband. The funeral will be a double one on Friday afternoon.

THE DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

The Recurrence of Symptoms of Peritonitis Has Necessitated Her Removal from Ottawa to a Montreal Hospital.

ONTARIO'S MODEL

Is Washington Workmen's Compensation Law.

Sir Wm. Meredith Hears it Explained.

Toronto despatch—A clear exposition of the State of Washington workmen's compensation scheme, which will probably serve as the motel of the system to be put into force in Ontario, was given Sir William Meredith yesterday by Mr. F. W. Hinsdale, chief auditor for the Industrial Insurance Commission of the State. Mr. Hinsdale's evidence took up an hour in the morning and the whole afternoon, and in that time he ably replied to the score of criticisms leveled against the Washington system by experts produced by the railways and liability companies, and incidentally indicated one or two ways in which the system with which he was identified could be improved.

Briefly stated, the Washington system is operated by dividing all industries that come under the heading of "extra hazardous" into some forty-eight classes or groups, in which premiums are fixed on the wage roll according to the hazard of each class. In this way each class bears its own burden of compensation. In case of fatal accidents or those which occasion permanent total disablement the Washington law provides that a reserve fund must be established to pay compensation to the dependents. With respect to temporary injuries, however, compensation is paid periodically or on the current cost basis. "Lump sum" payments are permitted for the loss or an arm or leg or other partial disablement.

The Act does not apply to occupation or indusries that have only incidental hazards. Farmers are not brought in.

The whole system is operated by a State Commission, and the cost of operation is borne by the States so that every dollar paid by the employers goes to their injured workmen and suffers none of the substractions of agents' fees, company profits, court costs, etc., that obtain under employers' liability schemes, and allow but a small fraction of the money paid by the employer to reach the workman as compensation.

LOBSTERS TO SOAR

Nova Scotia Fishermen Report Total Failure.

Halifax, Jan. 13.—The lobster season in Western Nova Scotia, which opened Dec. 15, is reported by the packers to have been an almost complete failure. A succession of storms made the taking of lobsters difficult, so that the catch was nearly nil. Added to this was the tidal wave of Dec. 27, and this year the storms have continued, and now the setting in of winter in earnest will prevent the catching of lobsters till the ice leaves the coast. Not only has the catch been light, but the fishermen's gear has been destroyed twice since the opening of the season on D. 15.

The fishermen at the beginning were encouraged by high prices, due to keen competition among packers, but their hopes have been smashed. Everything now points to a loss by both packers and fishermen.

MONGOLIANS THANK CZAR.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—A deputation of Mongolians, under the leadership of a Mongol prince, arrived here this afternoon from Urga to thank the Russian Government on behalf of the Kutuktu, or Khan, of Mongolia, for its recognition of the independence of Mongolia. It is understood that the deputation is to be received by the Emperor at the palace at Tsarskoe-Selo in few days

SHOT OPIUM SMOKER

Women First Victim of The New Chinese Law.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.—Death as a punishment for opium smoking was meted out to-day to a woman of this city who persisted in the use of the drug despite the stringent manifesto issued by the Government on Christmas Day, prohibiting people from indulging in the habit.

By order of the governor of the province, the woman was taken to a public place and executed by shooting this afternoon in the presence of a large crowd of spectators.

The manifesto issued by the Chinese Government expressed the desire for the suppression of the evil in order to save the people from a life of degradation, but at the same time voiced the fear that although the Government was in earnest the people would try to evade the law.

The probable collapse of the opium trade was foreshadowed, some time ago when it was found that Indian opium to the value of $60,000,000 was stacked in thousands of chests in Shanghai and Hong Kong warehouses without finding buyers. After the manifesto was issued by the Government it was virtually impossible to buy or sell opium in the coast provinces, or the Yangtse provinces, and it was known that the authorities had been ordered from Pekin to enforce the prohibition laws. To-day's execution, however, was the first instance in which they have been put into full effect.

CHILD SUICIDES

17 in Vienna Through School Failures.

Vienna, Jan 13.—Statistics printed to-day of the suicides in the year 1912 show that they numbered 1,558, as compared with 1,406 in the previous year. The increase was mainly among females. There was also a constant increase in the number of child suicides, the youngest of which was a girl of nine. Alienists ascribe this unhappy feature to some fault with the system of modern education and mode of living.

A curious but not a new fact in regard to these suicides is again emphasized, and that is that the bright summer months seem to be more conducive to suicides than the winter time. June, July and August lead the list for the number of cases of self-destruction, while the fewest number occurred in February and December.

The favorite form of self-murder seemed to be hanging, of which there were 633 cases, as compared with 233 by shooting and 108 by poisoning.

The most frequent motives assigned for the rash acts were ill-health, disappointment in love, and privation. Seventeen children killed themselves because they failed in their work in school.

MYSTERIOUS WINDSOR DEATH.

Windsor despatch—Considerable mystery surrounds the death at the Hotel Dieu this evening of Charles Katon, 24, of Maidstone township. Katon was brought to the hospital at three o'clock this afternoon by two men who found him lying beside a wagon loaded with hay just beyond the city limits. He was unconscious when picked up, and died without being able to tell how he met with the accident. It is thought he was thrown from the wagon and that the fall fractured his skull.

UNSOLVED MONEY ROBBERIES.

Hamburg, Jan. 13.—Although the $25,000 worth of gold on the way to Rio Janeiro was supposed to have been stolen here during its transference to the steamer Cape Blanco, the money was not missed until the ship arrived at Montevideo. The police are as far as ever from a solution of the mystery. There are now five such international robberies which have not been solved.

NEW 'GETTE MARCH

N. Y. Militants to Walk to Washington.

New York, Jan. 13.—A march of suffragettes volunteering from all parts of New York State, with "on to Washington" as the programme, will be begun in this city February 10, according to announcement made to-night by Gen. Rosalie Jones, leader of the "votes for women" band which recently carried a message for the cause" from New York to Governor Sulzer, at Albany.

Welcoming recruits in five States as they proceed southward, the women plan to reach Washington in time to add themselves to the ranks of marchers in the women suffrage parade on the day before Woodrow Wilson's inauguration.

Of the loyal few who tramped the entire distance to Albany, "Gen." Jones and "Col." Miss Ida A. Craft have promised to take the Washington journey, and one or two others are in the "probable" class to-night.

The start will be made on the New York side of the Hudson River at 8.45 a.m., one month from to-morrow. Active tramping will begin on the New Jersey side after a tube trip under the river. By easy advances each day the "army" will pass through New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. There will be campaigning for votes along the way. Rallies will be held in Philadelphia, Baltimore and other cities.

The route and the dates when the Suffragettes will reach various places have not been announced.

AN AWFUL CHARGE

Montreal Man Accused of Terrible Crime.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Living in a little cot in the General Hospital, Kate Marcovitch, twelve years old, this morning told of an assault on her, to cover up which a man, whom she claimed was Cyrillle Chartrand, attempted to thrust her in a furnace.

The little Marcivitch girl is a pupil of the Convent De Lion Seciurs. Yesterday, she says, Chartrand, who is employed in the furnace room of the convent, enticed her into his quarters, as he said "to enable her to warm herself." He then sprang upon her, and after assaulting her opened a furnace door and tried to push her through it. She screamed and struggled, and hearing somebody coming, Chartrand threw her into an ash heap and ran out of the building.

The child's hands are badly burned, while she is also suffering from bad bruises.

Chartrand was arrested this morning.

15,000 MORE OUT

Striking Garment Workers Get Big Accession.

New York, Jan. 13.—The strike order to the 15,000 white goods workers, organized as the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, to fall in line with the garment workers in the present walkout started promptly at 10 a.m. to-day. Nearly all the workers in this industry are girls, and the members of their union had been notified secretly that the strike would be called at that hour and were in readiness for the summons.

Forty thousand dress and waistmakers will strike surely next week, if not before that time, which will bring the number of strikers, including the workers on men's and boys' garments, up to nearly 200,000. There was talk of the waist-makers quitting to-morrow, but a special committee of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, which at a secret meeting has fixed the day for this strike was non-committal on the subject. They said that the balloting on this strike will not be completed before Saturday, and that when the vote is counted the date of the strike will be announced. It was said also that 10,000 members of the Children's Dressmakers' Union, which has not yet formulated any demands, are ready to strike in sympathy.

John Williams, State Commissioner of Labor, who was in this city to-day, said he will remain for a day or two to get data about the strikes. The situation is unique, he said, as the strikes involve more people than ever were in a similar series of strikes before. He will decided on what action to take when he completes his investigation of the strikes.

BONDS FOR LABOR MEN.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—Bail bonds in the sum of $240,000 for the release of Olaf A. Tveitmoe and Eugene Clancy, the convicted dynamite conspirators sentenced to six years in the Federal prison, at Leavenworth, Kansas, were accepted here to-day by the United States District Court.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 13.—Officials of the local branch of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers said to-day that they have arranged to furnish the $70,000 bail necessary to release Peter J. Smith and Geo. Anderson, the Cleveland men convicted in the "dynamite conspiracy," from the Leavenworth, Kansas, Federal prison.

A TOBOGGANING ACCIDENT.

London, Ont., despatch—Ivy Webb, an 11-year-old girl, daughter of John Webb, of 782 Hill street, East London, was severely hurt while tobogganing near her home to-night, and is now at Victoria Hospital in a precarious condition. The girl in walking up the slide did not notice the approach of a young lad downward bound. They collided, and in her fall a deep gash was torn in the girl's side.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Ten Men Drown in Liverpool Boat Wreck.

OHIO RIVER FLOOD

Queen's University Asks Whitney for Grant.

It is reported that a new daily paper is to start in Sarnia within a few months.

Interesting evidence was given as to huge profits before the United States money trust inquiry.

Mr. L. S. Levee, ex-school trustee, and his son pleaded guilty to a charge of circulating obscene literature in Toronto.

The Manitoba Grain-growers' Association elected officers and raised a large fund to campaign for freer trade in foodstuffs.

Falling from a scaffolding on the new McIntyre mill at Porcupine, one carpenter was killed and another severely injured.

Mr. R. B. St. Clair, wanted as a witness in the case against the Star Theatre, Toronto, has not yet been served with a subpoena.

Representatives of Queen's University will wait on Sir James Whitney and ask for a grant for the university from the Government.

Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey won his action against Dr. W. D. LeSueur arising out of the proposed publication of the biography of William Lyon Mackenzie.

The Booth Line steamer Ambrose, while proceeding in the Mersey at Liverpool collided with a fishing smack and lighter, sinking both of them. Ten men lost their lives.

The Ohio River reached a stage slightly under 44 feet and Wheeling, W. Va is in the midst of its most disastrous flood, with the exception of the visitations of 1884 and 1907.

The Russian Cabinet has issued an order prohibiting foreign balloonists and aviators from crossing the western frontier for six months. Anyone violating this order, it is announced, is liable to be shot dows.

The ex-Empress Eugenie of France, widow of Napoleon III., is suffering from a troublesome cold and cough, and is unable to-day to attend the annual commemorative service for the Emperor at St. Michael's Abbey Church, Farnborough.

Lloyd's and the leading underwriters have raised the premiums on shipments of specie from 6 to 18 pence per cent. This action has been taken because of the recent robbery of money boxes in transit from Great Britain to other countries.

For the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1912, the total net revenue of the Timiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway amounted to $532,033. This is made up of $322,752 net operating revenue, $135,500 on royalties, and $77,831 from the sale of townsites.

THE BEES GOT HIM

Burglar Upsets Hive and Yells for Help.

Fallsington, Pa., Jan. 13.—Driven into spasms of agony by the stings of a hive of bees, an armed burglar, trapped in the yard of the home of John Sampson, a farmer, yelled at the top of his voice for aid, and surrendered in gratitude when his tormentors were driven away.

Sampson was awakened by a man's loud screams last night. Running out with a lantern to the rear of his home, he found the man, wearing a mask, desperately fighting to get away from the swarm of bees. In one hand the man had a revolver and in the other a dark lantern, and while he used both of these in his fight with the bees, they proved but poor weapons.

Sampson, taken by surprise, stood watching the strange sight. The masked man shouted:

"For God's sake, save me! Please do something! I came to rob your house, but fell over the hive, and these devils attacked me."

After making this appeal the robber dropped his revolver and lantern. Sampson picked these up, quieted the bees, and led his prisoner to the town jail. It was necessary to call a physician to relieve the victim's agony.

RIVER BOAT EXPLOSION.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 13.—The Tombigee River steamboat James T. Staples was wrecked her captain and perhaps four others killed and eight persons severely injured when one of the boat's boilers exploded near Bladen, Ala., late to-day. It is believed the bodies of the four missing persons may be found in the ruins of the hulk which floated down the river in flames.

Rivermen note a coincidence in that the explosion occurred at the point most nearly accessible by boat to the grave of the boat's late owner, Capt. Norman A. Staples, who killed himself a week ago to-day.

FUNERAL OF LAST 'BUS.

New York, Jan. 13.—A Paris cable says: There is to be a funeral of the last omnibus on Saturday. Motor omnibuses now take the place of horse-drawn vehicles on all the city lines. The last relic of the old system will be towed to its final resting place by an auto[illegible]

The ceremony has been ar[illegible] the sporting newspaper, the [illegible] will send a wreath inscribe[illegible] Sympathy of the Auto."

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