

SEAS BREAK OVER HELPLESS STEAMER.

On Her Beam Ends on the Shoals Eight Miles off Cape Hatteras in a Terrific Sea.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 28.—Battered by heavy seas, an unknown steamer lies helpless on the inner diamond shoals, eight miles off Cape Hatteras tonight, and faint lights seen now and then carry a message to the life-saving crews on shore that there are human beings aboard the wrecked craft that cannot be saved until wind and sea have calmed sufficiently to allow the tug boats to be launched.

one of the fruit liners that ply between New York and ports and Baltimore or New York. At 7 o'clock the observer at Hatteras reported that the life-saving crews of several stations along the Carolina coast in the vicinity of Hatteras were on the beach ready to launch their surf boats the minute the wind and tide had abated sufficiently to allow them to do so.

STERN OF SEVASTOPOL IS NOW SUBMERGED.

Brave Defenders at Port Arthur Are Threatened With Famine—All is Quiet Along the Front.

TOKIO, Dec. 28, 10 p. m.—Trustworthy advices from Port Arthur confirm the report that General Kondranchenko has been killed and that General Stoessel has been injured by falling from his horse. General Smiloff is also reported wounded.

officially announced that a disease whose characteristics are similar to bubonic plague, has appeared among the Kirghiz Cossacks in two settlements of the Ural territory resulting in 180 deaths between Nov. 24 and Dec. 28. The localities have been declared to be infected with the plague.

spring, when it will be possible for both sides to throw in strong reinforcements in earnest. In the meantime the chief Japanese weakness seems to be with regard to their communications eastward. They have an unusually full equipment of narrow gauge railroads, one of which connects General Kuroki's base at Shupadi with Feng Wang Chang with a branch to Simonsan. A supplementary line is being constructed connecting Liao Yang with Haicheng.

DRUMELZIER'S CREW AT LAST TAKEN OFF.

Seas Were Running Mountains High and the Rescue Was Effected With Great Peril.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—With her signals of distress and her half-masted ensign still flying, the steamer Drumelzier was abandoned tonight as a total wreck by her captain and a dozen officers and members of the crew who were taken off the craft and landed on Oak Island by the crew of the Fire Island and Oak Island life-saving stations.

The marooned crew, who had been four days in one small deckhouse, came out on the starting life-covered deck, and seventeen of whom were boys, decided to quit the wreck. They took over an hour for the men to crawl out upon a davit and drop into the waiting lifeboat.

FRENCH TEXT BOOKS. ARE GOOD CUSTOMERS. Joint Committees Meet—Peter Clinch Inspecting Moncton Improved Water Service. Pender Co. Will Give Sydney Mills \$100,000 a Year.

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 28.—The first committee of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to consider the question of French text books in public schools, completed their labors today. It was decided to invite Prince Edward Island to participate and to recommend the respective boards of education to join in preparing French readers, free from sectarian or other objectionable matters.

DEATH OF REV. E. L. COFFIN. Colored Clergyman Well Known in St. John is Dead in Yarmouth. George Robertson is Delighted With the West. And Will Return to Prince Albert Early in January.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 28.—The wife of F. B. McCurdy, broker, sustained a painful accident tonight when tobogganing on Collins' Field. Mrs. McCurdy was proceeding up the hill when a toboggan descending swiftly struck her, throwing her down with such violence that her collar bone was broken. She was removed from the field to the hospital on a toboggan and was there taken to her residence by the hospital ambulance. Mrs. McCurdy is a daughter of B. F. Pearson.

A GREAT COUNTRY. In Two Places at Once. This Was What Was Required of Supt. Leonard Yesterday. Shortly before three o'clock yesterday afternoon the fire alarm wire along Wellington row, weighted down by the sleet, parted, and Superintendent Leonard was apprised of the break by the usual striking of one blow. Ascertaining the circuit in which the break had occurred, the superintendent started out to find it, and in a very short time located it. While he was engaged in reconnecting the broken wire an alarm of fire was sent in from box 5, which happened to be in the same circuit in which the break had occurred.

UNITED STATES CROPS. Acreage and Production of Different Articles Reported. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The following bulletin was issued by the agricultural department today: Final returns to the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture from regular and special correspondents, supplemented by reports of special field agents, show the acreage and production of the principal farm crops in the United States in 1904 to have been as follows:

TRAINS DELAYED. The Storm Brings Serious Trouble in West. Freight Traffic Absolutely Blocked—Zero Weather in Western Missouri.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 28.—Last night's storm brought serious trouble in many districts of the west and northwest, paralyzing railway traffic and working havoc with the movement of trains. Between St. Paul and Chicago hardly one of the seven railroads was able to get its fast trains through last night. Trains were stuck in the snow throughout Wisconsin and probably will not move with any regularity tomorrow.

DISORDERLY SITTING. Premier Amid a Great Uproar Adjourned the House. BUDAPEST, Dec. 28.—There was a disorderly sitting of the chamber of deputies today, and Premier Tisza was compelled, owing to stormy protests from the opposition, to abandon his attempt to induce the house to vote an indemnity for the government expenditure without the sanction of parliament. The premier then, amid a great uproar, announced the adjournment of the chamber until January 3, saying that the house at that time would hear the emperor's speech dissolving parliament. Shouts were raised of "The king is breaking his oath," together with denunciations of Premier Tisza as "the curse of an unfortunate dynasty."

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATES. Kings Will be in It This Year—Arrangements Nearly Completed. The maritime colleges are preparing for their series of intercollegiate debates which are held each spring. The colleges taking part have been Acadia, U. N. B., Mount Allison, St. Francis Xavier, and Dalhousie. With this unenviable number it has been necessary to drop one college out each year. Now by the admission of King's College, Windsor, N. S., it is possible for every college to debate each year.

FLINTKOTE ROOFING. If Farmers knew how Durable and Inexpensive. EASILY LAID AND FIREPROOF. WRITE FOR A SAMPLE. W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd. 42 and 46 Prince Wm. St., St. John, N. B.

DOMINION COAL CO. Grand Sub Council of P. W. A. in Session. HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—The grand sub-council of the P. W. A. met today at Dominion No. 1 to take the final action upon the three year contract proposed by the Dominion Coal Co. The council was in session up to a late hour tonight, the session being protracted by the opposition manifest to the general feature of the contract as submitted by several of the delegates.

NOT FURNISHING CARS. OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Complaints have reached the railway commissioners that the I. C. R. is not furnishing cars for the carriage of hay. The commission, not having any control over the I. C. R., has turned the matter over to the department of railways.

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MR. CHAMBERLAIN. Points and Arguments of His Speech

Delivered at East London—Wants Public to Dissociate His Policy From Controversy.

The Standard, recently purchased by C. Arthur Pearson, for the first time manifested its change of political attitude in reference to fiscal reform.

In his record of Mr. Chamberlain's speech in East London, the Standard acted as chairman of the meeting, and in addition to a verbatim report of the speech itself with descriptive introduction, a new journalistic feature was introduced in the form of an analysis of the speech, published in another column.

The following are the principal points of Mr. Chamberlain's speech:

In his favorite country of missionary for the British empire, he was very grateful for the classes of the East-end of London—a district where the margin of subsistence for the majority of the people was very small.

As to future relations with our colonies, sentiment alone would not be sufficient in times of crisis to meet contingencies such as might conceivably arise.

It was not a question of the loyalty of the colonists. Sometimes he thought it was not loyalty that was wanted. It was organization for the new circumstances—an organization by which each of the several parts of the empire should go forward in the fulfillment of its independent purposes.

It could not be secured, each state must fend for itself. It was certain that it would then offer more temptation for attack, either in commercial or some other kind of warfare.

Did the homeland desire that? Or did it wish to make a union which, while preserving the local independence of the several colonies, would result in the colonies and the homeland working as one where our common interest—or our existence—is threatened?

How could he say British statesmen were anxious for this great result while Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman had the opposition? He had hoped better things from another leader—a quondam leader—of the Liberals—Lord Rosebery.

Lord Rosebery in his last speech had seemed to think that (Mr. Chamberlain) had stolen his thunderbolts—if he had them, and if they were really thunderbolts, he would restore them gladly.

That offer he gave in the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the colonial conference: "We are ready to discuss with you the articles on which we can give you a preference and the articles on which you can give us a preference."

That was the offer—made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and confirmed by the prime minister; and he (Mr. Chamberlain) thought then and now that we ought not to have lost a moment in accepting it.

He would warn the people of this country that if they refused that offer there were other countries, not so potent as ours, ever ready to step into our place.

Opponents pretended to disbelieve that there was any offer. They were certain that if there were one it would be ruinous to this country, and he made in the hope of benefiting the colonies at our expense.

He had no doubt of the result. If the invitation were accepted, the colonies would show within a few hours after they met that they desired preference.

But Mr. Asquith and Lord Rosebery seemed ready to give up the conference as an invidious undermining of the prosperity of the country. They wished preference to be excluded; they wanted the conference to be muzzled.

Would the colonies remain loyal if their loyalty were reciprocated in such a spirit? He appealed to the people to consider whether the offer was worthy of their acceptance. He would not predict, but whether the liberals had a majority at the next general election or not, he could tell Mr. Asquith that the question of tariff reform, once raised, would never die.

First Aid in the Home

For the home there is no other "first aid" so sure as "First Aid in the Home"...

ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTE.

BATHURST.

Christmas Celebrated in a Royal Manner.

BATHURST, N. B., Dec. 28.—Christmas eve was a very busy day here. Everybody was out either marketing or otherwise engaged preparing for Christmas.

Yesterday the usual Christmas services were held in the different places of worship. At the High Mass in the Church of the Sacred Heart the choir rendered the Kyrie Eleiza, Sanctus and Agnus Dei of the second Tone and the Credo of the Missa Angelis (Gregorian) with violin obligato by R. Godin and Leonard Venot.

At the George's Episcopal church services were held at eight and eleven o'clock in the forenoon and at seven in the evening with an appropriate sermon by the Rev. Hugh Hooper at each of the services.

Francis J. McManus, chief blacksmith of A. T. Hinton's establishment, was on Christmas eve engaged by his friends with a handsome briar root pipe at the Miller House.

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Miss Annie Harrington of Chatham, is spending the Christmas holidays with her brother, John J. Harrington, W. A. Cragg, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada at Bathurst.

Today is being observed in nearly all respects as a public holiday. The weather is fine and not too cold.

On the ice track in front of the town, viewed by numbers of people from Waterloo street, about thirty or forty "wreathers" tried conclusions.

Charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when used on the human system for the same cleansing purpose.

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Among the holiday presentations were a handsome Limoge china tea set to T. C. Burpee, engineer of maintenance of the I. C. R.; a pair of fur-lined gloves to Rev. B. Hooper, St. George's church, from the choir; and a reading lamp and pipe to W. H. Crandall, local manager of the Western Union, for his services.

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During this week the city teaching staff will lose two of its members, both of whom have accepted positions in the west. Last evening Miss Ada Wright left for a village some eighty miles beyond Edmonton, Alberta.

The second teacher referred to is Miss Edith A. Comben. Miss Comben resigned her position in the Winter street school some months ago, the resignation taking effect at the close of the term just ended.

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The Progress of a Northern Town.

Newcastle on the Miramichi Has Made Rapid Strides During the Last Year—Its New Industries.

(Special to the Sun.) NEWCASTLE, Dec. 27.—Progress seems to have been the keynote of the town of Newcastle during the year 1904.

Its citizens have been infused with a new life, a new energy and a new hope which bid fair to bring a prosperity to the shiretown of the Miramichi unprecedented in all its history.

This week the Anderson Furniture Co. commenced operations. Since last April the work of construction of the largest furniture factory in the maritime provinces has been in progress.

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Advertisement for Snowy White Linen and Surprise Hard Soap. Includes an illustration of a woman in a white dress and a box of soap.

GREAT STRIDES FOR CHURCH UNION. Reports of Toronto Conference Mi-leading. Dr. Shaw and Rev. Mr. Pedley Most Optimistic—Dr. Scrimger Fears Progress Was Hasty.

Contrary to the unfavorable impression conveyed by newspaper reports, regarding the union of the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches, Dr. Shaw, Dr. Pedley and Rev. Hugh Pedley are unanimous in the opinion that the conference at Toronto was a success, and they feel confident that the project of amalgamation will eventually succeed.

There were three forums at work outside the church which argued in favor of church re-union, according to Rev. Dr. Pedley. On the part of the Methodist church, there was a desire for a larger expression of popular feeling, and of individual as well as of congregational liberty.

As for the Congregationalists, there was a growing tendency towards a more effective organization for all the general objects which the church was concerned. The Congregationalists of England, who are numerous and powerful, had already adopted a constitution, giving large powers to a central body.

Rev. Hugh Pedley observed that the immense national problems, raised by the rapid development of the country, and the great increase of population, called for a better arrangement of the forces of the church. But a movement of this character could not be carried through hastily.

Because of the multitude of household and family cares, and because of the nature of their employment, women are especially liable to give way to worry and anxiety.

The result is wasted nerve force, weakness and dizziness. It may be nervous headaches, sleeplessness irritability, indigestion, discouragement and melancholy, or weakness and irregularities peculiarly feminine.

The only way to restore health and strength is by increasing the nerve force in the body, and this is best accomplished by the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

Make a test of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food by noting your increase in weight from week to week while using it. Notice the improvement in your appetite, and how much better you rest and sleep.

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THE SEMI-WEEKLY SUN.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 31, 1904

MR. BLAIR'S SUCCESSOR.

Mr. Justice Killam of the supreme court of Canada, who succeeds Mr. Blair as chairman of the railway commission, belongs to a well known family in Yarmouth. The name is familiar in business and politics, and Judge Killam has given it a standing in legal circles.

THE RAKY'S PROGRESS.

Mr. Blair became leader of the government of New Brunswick in 1883. The next year the debt of the province was \$1,471,146. Against this there was to the credit of New Brunswick at Ottawa, drawing five per cent, interest, the sum of \$718,449, leaving a net debt of a fraction over three-quarters of a million.

A sum of \$275,000 has been received from Ottawa in settlement of a railway claim and has gone into the ordinary revenue of the province, as if it had been paid for stumpage.

It might, perhaps, have been expected that with these receipts of capital, and these extra taxes and transfers of tax to the municipal authorities, the debt of the province would not have

been increased. But the fact is that the gross debt of less than one million and a half twenty years ago is now over four millions, and the net debt of three-quarters of a million is now between four and five times that sum.

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. Rows from 1884 to 1905 showing financial figures.

The additions in the last fifteen months will bring the total amount to about \$4,000,000. In addition to this direct liability the province is responsible for \$200,000 of bonds of the New Brunswick Coal & Railway Company, and for an unknown, but constantly increasing amount of the bonds of the Eastern and Western, on which both principal and interest are kindly guaranteed by the government.

WHITE-LAW REID FOR LONDON.

It is announced that Mr. Whitlaw Reid is to succeed Mr. Choate as United States ambassador to Great Britain. Whatever criticism may be made of United States appointments in other departments little fault can be found with the choice of representatives to foreign courts.

These traditions should be maintained by the last appointment. Whitlaw Reid is by training and experience a journalist. Beginning his newspaper work on a country weekly he finished as editor and proprietor of the New York Tribune, having served on this paper under Horace Greeley, after a short career as a war correspondent, a term of service as librarian of congress.

NEW BRUNSWICK AND THE CHILD IMMIGRANTS.

The attorney general has given certain undertakings to a London lady in respect to allowances of land to pauper children whom it is proposed to bring to this province. We are not quite sure of the advantage of bringing large numbers of this class of immigrants.

The attorney general says that the province of New Brunswick has not yet been called upon to pay interest on the guaranteed bonds. Probably not, as the interest will not be collected until it is due. But if the interest is not paid when due out of subsidies or the proceeds of the sale of the bonds themselves, the government will have to pay it.

THE PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

The financial statement for the provincial fiscal year ending with October last shows an apparent deficit of \$3,804. That is to say a deposit of \$10,000 has been made with the receiver general, and \$3,804 was carried over from the previous year, while a deposit of \$4,000 has been repaid and a balance of \$5,977 remains on hand.

The law requires that the current expenditure and receipts of the year shall be published in the Gazette within sixty days after the end of October. It would be a more useful provision if the government were required to publish at the same time a statement of the overdrafts on current account, which were in existence at the end of the fiscal year.

EXHAUSTED THE LAND.

It is generally conceded that the Russians have exhausted the food resources of the section of Manchuria in which they are, and so the transportation problem must be solved.

JAPS ADVANTAGES.

On the other hand, the Japanese, Port Arthur having been reduced and 60,000 veterans released, will have more than 400,000 men facing the Russians.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

In St. Paul's and St. Mary Churches, Chatham. CHATHAM, Dec. 27.—The Christmas services in St. Paul's and St. Mary's churches, Chatham, were of the usual appropriate character.

MARRIED IN HALIFAX.

Miss Kathleen Holmes and Professor Murray MacNeill, of McGill University. HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—The marriage took place at six o'clock this afternoon of Kathleen, daughter of Hon. S. H. Holmes, and Professor Murray MacNeill, of McGill University.

PRESENTATION.

CHATHAM, N. B., Dec. 27.—On Christmas eve a large and representative number of the members of the congregation of the Church of England at Blair de Verte assembled at the rectory.

FREDERICTON NEWS.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 28.—Hiram Lodge of Freemasons has elected C. W. Chestnut worshipful master for the year 1905.

ASSISTS DIGESTION.

Too much food is not good for the digestion. When you ram an cran food into your stomach you destroy the process of dissolving and assimilating. You render the gastric juices useless and make yourself unhealthy.

CAN KUROPATKIN FEED HIS ARMY? 680,000 Men at End of a Single Track Line.

Many Inlets for Provisions to Feed 400,000 Troops They Will Have in the Spring.

A great deal has been said of late regarding the immense army with which Gen. Kuropatkin is to overwhelm the Mikado's forces in Manchuria in the spring. One is told of the 600,000 men round Mukden and Hsiao, awaiting the word to move, and now with the mobilization from seven districts in Russia proper, just announced, the total force for the spring campaign is placed at 800,000 men.

CONVICTS STAMPEDE.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 29.—While a train carrying 130 convicts in the employ of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Co. was going from mine No. 3 to the prison, Will Miller, a negro convict, escaped with a stick of dynamite.

PROMISING MCGILL GRADUATE PASSED AWAY AT CALGARY.

One of McGill's most promising veterinary graduates, Arthur D'Arville Harrington, died last week in Calgary. The late Dr. Harrington came to Montreal from Guelph, N. S., and entered the veterinary faculty at McGill. He took no less than seven prizes in his course and graduated with honors in 1902.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

PAUPPER CHILDREN. To the Editor of the Sun: As reported in the Telegraph, Mr. Pugsley says:

"I had the opportunity of luncheon with Mrs. Eleanor Close, who invited me to meet some gentlemen who were interested in her scheme of settling pauper children on farms in Canada. Her scheme is being received with great favor in London. The terms of the New Brunswick government are acceptable, but as the scheme is approved of by the English authorities children will be sent out here and maintained and cared for by persons appointed by the English poor law authorities. The New Brunswick government is to give a free grant of 200 acres of land for each group of 200 children and also provide free education."

RUSHED LAYING OF RAIL.

C. P. R. Performed a Conspicuous Feat.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—In connection with the Canadian Pacific railway there has just been performed a conspicuous feat in track laying. Just at the time when the dominion government ruled that the 400 miles of rail should go into effect on all rails brought into the country after November 30th, which were not laid before February 28th, the Canadian Pacific completed the laying of 400 miles for 60,000 tons with various manufacturers in the United States.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO BEGIN A CAMPAIGN.

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The continued shipment of troops to German Southwest Africa at a moment when the Hereros are completely vanquished and the Witbols are suffering from one defeat after another, finds an explanation in colonial circles that the government intends to begin a campaign against the Ovambos as soon as the rest of the colony is pacified.

MARRIED IN HALIFAX.

Miss Kathleen Holmes and Professor Murray MacNeill, of McGill University. HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—The marriage took place at six o'clock this afternoon of Kathleen, daughter of Hon. S. H. Holmes, and Professor Murray MacNeill, of McGill University.

PRESENTATION.

CHATHAM, N. B., Dec. 27.—On Christmas eve a large and representative number of the members of the congregation of the Church of England at Blair de Verte assembled at the rectory.

FREDERICTON NEWS.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 28.—Hiram Lodge of Freemasons has elected C. W. Chestnut worshipful master for the year 1905.

ASSISTS DIGESTION.

Too much food is not good for the digestion. When you ram an cran food into your stomach you destroy the process of dissolving and assimilating. You render the gastric juices useless and make yourself unhealthy.

A VENERABLE PASTOR CURED BY PE-RU-NA.

Pe-ru-na is a Catarrhal Tonic. Especially Adapted to the Declining Powers of Old Age.

In old age the mucous membranes become thickened and partly lose their function. This leads to partial loss of hearing, smell and taste, as well as digestive disturbances.

Pe-ru-na corrects all this by its specific operation on all the mucous membranes of the body. One bottle will convince anyone. Once used with Pe-ru-na becomes a life-long stand-by with old and young.



Strong and Vigorous at the Age of Eighty-eight.

BISHOP'S LETTER.

T. H. LOMAX, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Charlottetown, N. C., writes: "I recommend your Pe-ru-na to all who want a strengthening tonic and a very effective remedy for all catarrhal complaints."

Rev. J. N. Parker, Usher, N. Y., writes: "In June, 1901, I lost my sense of hearing entirely. My hearing had been somewhat impaired for several years, but not so much affected but that I could hold converse with my friends; but in June, 1901, my sense of hearing left me so that I could hear no sound whatever. I was also troubled with rheumatic pains in my limbs. I commenced taking Pe-ru-na and now my hearing is restored as good as it was prior to June, 1901. My rheumatic pains are all gone. I cannot speak too highly of Pe-ru-na, and now when 88 years old can say it has invigorated my whole system. I cannot but think, dear Doctor, that you must feel very thankful to the all loving Father that you have been permitted to live, and by your skill be such a blessing as you have been to suffering humanity."

PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure Appears in Royal Gazette Today.

EXPENDITURE.

Table listing various expenditure items and their amounts, such as Administration of justice, Agriculture, Auditor general, etc.

RECEIPTS.

Table listing various receipt items and their amounts, such as Balance 31st October 1903, Dominion subsidies, Territorial revenue, etc.

CITY.

Recent Events In... Together With Correspondence...

To our Headquarter... Mr. Blaine's Successor.

Fifteen officers non-commissioned... Charged With... New York, D.

McLaughlin, a par... The district att... New Castle.

NEW CASTLE.

NEW CASTLE, Dec. 29.—The district attorney... New Principal.

OTTAWA, DEC.

P. chief opposition... SEATING ACC.

REAR OF CARLET.

Called to Sack... OTTAWA, Dec.

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