

SUNK IN DENSE FOG

Steamer Aransas Rammed by a Barge in Tow.

ONE PASSENGER IS LOST

Collision Occurs Off the Coast of Massachusetts, and Calm Weather Aids in Rescue of Passengers and Crew.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., May 7.—The Joy Line steamer Aransas, Captain Wood, was sunk in collision with the barge Glendower, one and a half miles south-east of the Pollock Rip Shoals lightship, at 1:30 o'clock this morning. One life was lost, that of Marie Kelley, a passenger from New York from Boston, whose address is unknown. She was about 35 years of age.

The other passengers, of whom there were 37, including four women and a child, together with the crew of 25, were brought here by a tug and landed at midnight. The collision was due to fog. There was no wind stirring.

The Glendower, one of a tow of three barges, struck the Aransas nearly amidships on the starboard side, and the steamer went down 15 minutes later. The passengers were quickly awakened and the boats manned, but while all on board were going one the tug which had the barges in tow came alongside and took all off with the exception of Miss Kelley.

Max Crocker said he helped Miss Kelley over the side and when last seen she was half way down the ladder. Whether she lost her hold and fell into the water or in her fright climbed back and went down with the steamer is not known.

The Aransas left Boston at 5:05 o'clock Saturday afternoon and was half way across the bay when a dense fog set in. The steamer was feeling her way cautiously when, without a warning and immediately ahead, the barge was sighted. The steamer's engines were reversed and a frantic but futile effort made to avoid the barge.

A moment later there was a crash and a huge hole was torn in the starboard side of the steamer, opposite the engine. She filled rapidly and there was only time to awaken the passengers and get all aboard before she went down. The barge was practically unharmed. The steamer carried a considerable amount of freight.

The passengers, who lost practically their effects, were landed here by a tug of 23 miles from the scene of the wreck. Among the rescued passengers was Percy Keatinge, of San Francisco.

The barge Glendower was a converted schooner of 550 tons. She carried a crew of three men and was bound for Philadelphia, loaded with coal for an Eastern port.

The Aransas formerly was owned by the Southern Pacific Railway Company. For many years she was employed in service out of New Orleans, and between New York and New Orleans. She was of 1135 gross and 618 net tonnage.

BURNED UNDER HIS ENGINE

Engineer on Texas Road Is Caught in a Wreck.

HOUSTON, Tex., May 7.—A Galveston, Houston & Northern passenger train, coming from Galveston, left the track at a curve near Harrisburg shortly before midnight, the engine turning upside down and taking all the coaches off. Engineer Frank Cox was burned to death under his engine. Fireman Duncan is missing, and it is believed that he also was burned.

Several of the passengers were bruised, but none were badly hurt. They were brought to this city on another train.

Collide With Switch Engine.

FIEBOLD, Colo., May 7.—As a result of a collision between a Colorado & Southern switch engine and a special north-bound Santa Fe passenger train in the local yards here tonight, five persons were injured. They are:

Conductor Jack Strawson, Denver, head cut; Brakeman Hewitt, Denver, arm hurt; Brakeman Malcolm, Denver, wrist sprained; J. Hallock, Denver, arm cut; Blanche Bode, Denver, head cut.

The special train was pulling into the Union Depot from a sidetrack when it came in contact with the switch engine. None of the injured was seriously hurt and all were taken to Denver on the next train.

MRS. MAYBRICK AT PIER

Greets Mother Who Helped Her Out of English Prison.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Baroness Caroline von Ronge, mother of Florence Maybrick, arrived on the steamship La Touraine today and left for Washington to give her testimony in her suit against D. W. Armstrong and others to recover possession of certain lands. The Baroness is broken in health. Only twice during the seven days' voyage from Havre did she leave her cabin.

Mrs. Maybrick was at the pier to greet her mother. It was the first time they had met since Mrs. Maybrick left France after being released from prison. The Baroness was deeply interested in the Nan Patterson case.

"The English papers are full of it," she said. "They make much fun of American laws. They criticize the opera house manager in which the poor girl was tried and ridicule the methods employed here in all murder cases."

Mrs. Maybrick took her mother to a hotel for the night and today they left for the capital. They will confer with their attorneys there and on Tuesday go to Richmond, where the Baroness has filed her action against Armstrong.

ENGAGED THIRTEEN YEARS

California Woman Finds One Year of Marriage Enough.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 7.—(Special.)—Miss F. Fernan, for many years a well-known Sonoma peace officer, has begun suit against Mrs. Denora Fernan, daughter of a prominent pioneer family, for divorce on the ground of desertion. Prior to their marriage, a little more than a year ago, the couple kept company for 13 years.

Stockmen to Organize.

DENVER, Colo., May 7.—Tuesday next leading stockmen from all parts of the country will assemble in this city to take up the work of concluding the organization of the American Stockgrowers Association. This association was partially

formed during the annual convention of the National Livestock Association held there in January last, when a split occurred over the limiting of the membership of that organization. Those who went into the new organization were displeased with the admission to membership in the old association of packers, railroad representatives and persons of that class.

DULL WEEK IN STOCKS

Little Business Is Done in American on the London Exchange.

LONDON, May 7.—The stock market experienced a week of dullness last week. There was much nervousness about fresh commitments, owing to the uncertainty of the Far Eastern situation, and the general political outlook. The disappointment as to dear money and the break in Wall Street interested the nervousness which was apparent the previous week. Americans experienced a bad break early in the week, on pressure from Wall Street, and there was little business done here beyond small purchases at lower levels.

ROCKEFELLER JR. IS SICK

Unable to Take Up Bible Class After Return From Europe.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The superintendent of John D. Rockefeller, Jr.'s Bible class announced today that young Mr. Rockefeller will return from Europe tomorrow, but will not take charge of the class.

"It may surprise some of you," said the superintendent to the class today, "that our leader, Mr. Rockefeller, is not to take charge of the class and speak our next meeting. He is not well. His complaint, whatever it is, has not been cured by his trip abroad, and he will not be able to lead us next Sunday, although it is certain that he will be here before that time."

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