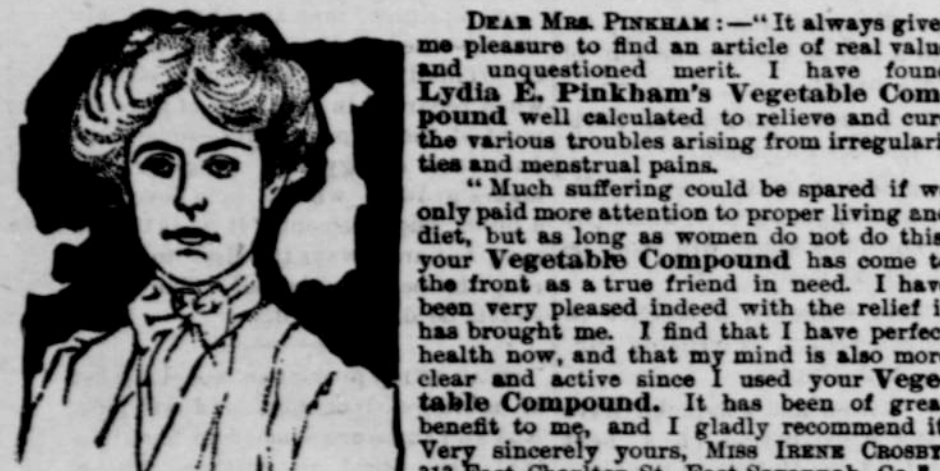




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HERE AND THERE.

Roy H. Davis of Eugene has been appointed as a midshipman to the U. S. naval academy at Annapolis. A magazine writer asks if political dishonesty pays in the long run. We are not so sure about the long run; but in New York and St. Louis it manages to keep an automobile at the grafter's door.

Three Marshfield young men left that gloom a few days ago on bicycles, on their way to St. Louis. They expect to cover the long distance on their wheels, and their route is via Portland, Boise City and Omaha.

General Bell of the Colorado mill industry says he has 35 or 40 men in his charge who are likely to swing for the murder of the 15 miners at Cripple Creek, and that the assassination was due to the Western Federation of Miners.

Mrs. Gossip—The bride nearly fainted during the ceremony and had to be supported by her father till it was all over.

Mrs. Tart—Indeed! And now he is supporting both of them.

During the last few weeks the Russian government has made large purchases of carrier pigeons in Belgium for service in the Far East. The publication of this fact has led to an interesting discussion as to whether a violation of the neutrality laws is involved.

For district attorney for Klamath and Lake counties E. M. Brattain, Republican nominee, is defeated by 84 votes by W. J. Moore, Democrat, of Lakeview, who carried Klamath by 137 majority, while Brattain received 53 majority in Lake.

The last figures place the plurality of Moore 100, for supreme judge, at 23,800; that of Brattain for congress at 6711; and that of Williamson at 13,131. The Oregonians place the majority in favor of the local option law at 2,067; at 28,000 for the local option primary law.

Mrs. Mary Thompson, colored, who killed John Irwin, a wealthy white farmer, living at Levanos Junction, Kentucky, June 15th, was taken from jail and hanged to a tree. She weighed 225 pounds and the rope broke. As she ran away the mob fired a fusillade after her, until she fell fatally wounded.

Advises from Hattie Springs announce that an operation was performed on the ailing knee of Jim Jeffries, who will not be permitted to leave his bed for six days. Among well-informed sporting people there is a sentiment that the Jeffries-Monroe contest will be indefinitely postponed.

John W. Minto has been appointed postmaster at Portland, Oregon, by President Roosevelt. F. A. Bancroft lost his position, because three investigations by inspectors showed him lacking in executive ability, lax in methods and unable or unwilling to attend to the office in accordance with regulations required.

The population of Salem is 13,287, notwithstanding the assertions of many to the contrary, and the sting of having the star thrown at the citizens that Salem, the capital city of Oregon, has only 4,000 people is forever removed. The census board, which has been for so long hard at work on the census, in order that there might be no mistake made in their report, give the population by precincts, which foot up to the amount above.

If you are 20 years old when your baby is one year old, then you are 20 times as old as the baby. When you're 20 years old, baby is five, then you are five times as old as the baby. When you are 40 years old, baby is 20 and you are but twice as old. When you get to be 805 instead of being twice as old as your daughter you are only one-third older. Now, at that rate, how long would you have to live before your daughter is as old as you are?

A man who arrived from the south Friday, at Hornbrook, Calif., and registered at T. J. Done, committed suicide below that place on Monday. He left Hornbrook and walked six miles below on the Klamath river, where he fired a bullet through his head with a pistol, expecting to drop into the stream, but fell back on the bank. The letters G. P. were found on his shirt and underwear. A torn piece of paper put together gave a name of Mrs. F. Phillips, French Gulch, Shasta county, Calif. The laundry mark is supposed to be a name of Mrs. F. Phillips.

THE CHAUTAUQUA ASSEMBLY FOR 1904.

Among the many great attractions for 1904 are two lectures by Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, successor of Henry Ward Beecher and Lyman Abbott. Two lectures by Capt. Richmond P. Hobson, one of the brilliant lights of the United States Navy. Three lectures by Dr. Stanley L. Krebs, author, lecturer, traveler and entertainer. Two appearances of Lou J. Beauchamp. A thinker who makes you laugh. A humorist who makes you think. Other lecturers to be announced later.

Never has the management been so liberal in the line of vocal and instrumental music. Prof. Irving M. Glen of the University of Oregon, a prince among leaders, will have charge of the adult chorus, embracing all those who have voices and can read music readily and are willing to work. Mrs. Walter Reed, of Portland, Oregon's leading contralto, will assist. Miss Eva L. Stinson, head of the musical department of the University, will be the leading soprano, and Prof. Glen the baritone.

Prof. Milton L. Lawrence, of San Jose, favorably known in Ashland, will be the leading tenor. If, in addition to the above, the singers of Southern Oregon and Northern California join the chorus in such numbers as we have every reason to expect, the final grand concert to be given at the "Holy City" will be without a doubt the greatest event in the history of our Assembly.

For several years Prof. Milton L. Lawrence has had a large class of boys and girls (ages from 4 to 12 years) organized into the Primary Chautauqua Chorus, and has done a most remarkable work. Some people who have watched him give a lesson have declared it was worth the price of a season ticket. No teacher in the public schools can afford to remain unacquainted with the "Lawrence method" of teaching singing to children.

In 1903 there was organized under the direction of Prof. Lawrence an intermediate class in music for lads and misses who do not read music readily. The results were very satisfactory. The primary and intermediate classes gave a concert near the close of the session. Remember that in 1904 there will be three chorus classes. Adult, intermediate and primary. Parents who wish careful, correct training of their children's voices should see that they have the benefit of the chorus training in music. A male quartette, composed of five singers, will be present during the session. An orchestra composed of several persons from California, in addition to competent players from Southern Oregon, directed by Prof. Hadley Lawrence of the King Conservatory of San Jose, California, will add much to the pleasure of our attendance.

Miss Aileen Webber, of the S. O. S. N. S., and Miss Estelle Drummond, of Oakland, Cal., are the Assembly's accompanists. Summer school for teachers and others who desire to prepare for examinations, or who desire to do special work, will be held for six weeks under the direction of Prof. W. T. Van Scoy of the Southern Oregon State Normal School and Prof. G. W. Milan of the Ashland Public Schools.

This will be a rare opportunity to combine study, recreation and the good things of our Assembly. We hope that this school will become a permanent feature of our Assembly. For further information regarding this school address either of the above teachers.

Cooking school demonstrations and lectures will be under the direction of Miss Margaret C. Snell, M. D., the very able head of the department of Household Economy and Hygiene, in the great Agricultural College of Oregon.

Prof. P. Ritter, assisted by his daughter, of the Medford Business College, will give lessons in shorthand.

We were fortunate in securing the services of Prof. Albert R. Sweetser, the head of the Biological Laboratory of the University of Oregon, and also State Biologist. He will bring several good microscopes and give a course for teachers and others who may be interested in taking up some things that it is difficult for them to study out for themselves and which lie at the foundation of nature and biological work.

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Awful Catastrophe Occurs in New York Harbor in Plain View of Thousands of Spectators—Many Acts of Heroism Displayed by Rescuers—Every Hour Adds to Horror of Terrible Disaster.

New York, June 16.—Driven crazy by the horror and agony of loss, two survivors of the General Slocum disaster have just committed suicide. Up to 2 a. m. this morning careful tabulation showed 900 dead in the Slocum tragedy, and officials declared that the number would reach 1000.

Physicians who examined the dead, piled up like cordwood, announced that three-fourths of the victims had died from inhaling flame and smoke, thus showing that the boat burned like tinder.

Robberies of the dead added to the horror. Searchlights were used to light up the dead piled up on the river islands, and while photographs were being taken by the coroner, detectives were hard put to it chasing away the ghouls.

Nine hundred and eighty-two tickets were taken on the boat, and that did not include 300 children and babies allowed to accompany parents and friends.

New York, June 16.—One of the most appalling disasters in the history of New York, tragic in its immensity, dramatic in its episodes and deeply pathetic in the tender age of most of its victims, took place yesterday in the East river, at the entrance to Long Island sound, within a short distance of the New York shore and within the sight of thousands of persons, the majority of whom were powerless to minimize the extent of the catastrophe.

By the burning of the water's edge of the General Slocum, a three-decked excursion steamship, the largest in these waters, more than 600 persons, the majority of whom were women and children, were burned to death or drowned by jumping overboard or by being thrown into the whirlpools by the lurching of the vessel and the frantic rush of the panic-stricken passengers.

Divers Busy Recovering Bodies. Approximately 485 bodies have been recovered and are now being tagged at the morgues of Bellevue hospital and Harlem.

Divers were still busy at a late hour taking bodies from the hold of the vessel, which, they say, is choked with the remains of human bodies, while the bodies of scores who leaped or were thrown into the river have not been recovered.

The General Slocum had been chartered to carry the excursionists to Loquet Grove, one of the many resorts of Long Island sound. It is variously estimated that there were between 1000 and 1500 persons on board the Slocum when she left the pier at Third street, East river, though the Knickerbocker Steamship company, which owns the Slocum, officially states that the number of passengers was 837, that being only one-third of the vessel's capacity. It is thought, however, that there were several hundred children in arms, for whom fares are not usually charged on these trips, on board.

Steamer Soon a Mass of Flames. At the extreme eastern end of Randall's island, off One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, there is a stretch of water known as the Sunken Meadows. At this point the General Slocum took fire and as the age of the vessel was built in 1891—had added in the seasoning of the wood, with which she was almost entirely built, she was soon a mass of flames. The fire is said to have broken out in the lunch-room one the forward

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deck, through the overturning of a pot of grease. The wind was high and all efforts to subdue the flames were futile. Consumed in Twenty-three Minutes. At One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street there were several lumber yards and off to the right as Captain William Van Schaick, in command of the General Slocum, started to turn his vessel toward the shore there he was warned that it would set fire to the lumber and oil, so he changed his course for North Brother island, one of the twin islands near the entrance to the sound, where the boat, partially burned, was beached. She sank near this place two hours and twenty-five minutes after the fire was first discovered.

In the meantime the passengers had become panic-stricken and those who were not caught by the flames rushed to the rear of the vessel and hundreds jumped overboard into the swiftly running waters.

Life Preservers Out of Reach. The life preservers were too securely fastened to their holdings to be available and stories are told of frantic efforts made by strong men to cut them loose, but even if they could have been torn down they were too high up for the children to reach. It is also alleged that no attempt was made to get out the fire apparatus at the first cry of "Fire!" though Captain Van Schaick says that he immediately rang the bells for getting out the apparatus.

According to several statements no attempt was made to lower boats or life rafts.

The race to North Brother island was horribly dramatic. It was made while flames, which had been ignited into fury by the strong wind, were consuming hundreds of persons, old and young. The scene was one of frightful panic, with women and children jumping overboard and being washed by the channel whirlpools against the vessel's sides. Women and children were crowded together on the hurricane deck, which soon burned away and fell, and it is believed most of those on this deck were burned.

Pathetic Scenes Enacted. The after rail gave way and the passengers who had crowded against it were washed into the river. Mothers and children became separated and frantically sought one another, while in several cases fathers and mothers, gathering their children together, jumped with them into the water. Little children, holding each other by the hand, leaped together and were afterwards found clasped in one another's arms.

It is alleged that men fought with women to escape, resulting in the trampling under foot of scores of children.

Many Thrilling Rescues. During her flame-enveloped run to North Brother island the Slocum's whistles kept blowing for assistance, but before the whistles had begun to blow several times, the captains of half a dozen tugboats, which had been sent out from the shore, the number of these craft constantly grew and not the least dramatic incidents of the catastrophe were the efforts of the men on these boats to rescue those who had jumped overboard from the burning vessel. Men crowded to the rails of the tugs and caught up the drowning persons as they were borne past by the current. There were many thrilling rescues by this means.

Bodies Being Constantly Found. Captain Van Schaick and his two pilots, Edward Van Wart and Edward M. Weaver, have been arrested. Coroner O'Gorman said late last night that many more bodies had been sighted and were being brought in.

The following telegraphic message from President Roosevelt was received by Pastor Haas: "Accept my profound sympathy for yourself, your church, and your congregation."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT." Captain Van Schaick's statement. New York, June 16.—Captain William H. Van Schaick, master of the Slocum, who is held by the police, said last night: "The Slocum left the foot of East Twenty-third street at half past 9 o'clock in the morning. There had been collected from those on board 982 tickets. The boat passed slowly up the river, through Hell Gate and over toward Sunken Meadows, where the Cawana was burned in 1870. When close to the Meadows an alarm of fire was given. At that time I was in the pilot house. I jumped down to the deck and gave immediate orders for fighting the fire. The fire drill was sounded and the crew of the boat, numbering twenty-three men, worked like maddened men to get water on to that part of the boat that was burning.

"The fire was under the forward boilers on the port side, as I made it out in the excitement. My men were working hard to get water on the passengers from jumping. The fire was gaining every instant and the cries of people burning to death could be heard above every other discordant sound.

"I got the boat under way for North Brother island, which was the safest place to attempt to land. The boat was driven on under full speed and pulled up sideways to the shore of the island.

"Many had jumped prior to this. 'My pilots, Edward Van Wart and Edward M. Weaver, were doing every

thing to get safely toward shore and Engineer B. F. Conklin remained in the hold. Mate Edward Flannigan had charge of the fire brigade, but when the fire spread over all we had to get off the boat. My hat was burning when I jumped, and I was pulled under the water and hauled up on shore under a tree before I remember what had occurred."

Heroic Rescue Work. Captain Van Etten of the tugboat Arnott says: "While bringing the Arnott down the sound and a short distance east of Rykers island I saw about a mile ahead a cloud of black smoke blowing from a large steamboat. Ringing for full speed, we soon got to the Slocum. Coming up on the port side the Arnott stood within a hundred yards of the blazing vessel. One man got out the hose, for the intense heat with the fire scorching the paint of the Arnott, and two of the crew, John Olsen and Gunder Anderson, peeled off their outer clothing and jumped into the water, which was filled with floating persons, some dead, others unconscious and some begging to be saved. Olsen and Anderson seized and brought to the side of the tug boat eight persons, six women and two children. Three of the women were unconscious. Then the two brave fellows recovered fifteen dead bodies, one being that of a big man who was expensively dressed. A large diamond glinted in the bosom of his shirt.

"Olsen saw three children not more than 6 years of age floating near the shore. Jumping overboard he rescued two. Holding their heads out of the water with his left arm, he used his right in swimming. Then he returned to the other child floating in the water and swam with it to the island.

"Three times the tugboat caught fire. A launch from North Brother island brought a physician, who revived the three unconscious women. One of them became crazed and attempted to commit suicide by jumping overboard. A 9-year-old boy also became temporarily insane. He declared his mother had been drowned, and he fought desperately and attempted to jump overboard.

"I am positive there were at least 200 bodies floating around the Arnott. Women and children and an occasional man jumped from the burning vessel and nearly all were drowned."

Life Preservers Rotten. Passengers make specific accusations that the life preservers on the General Slocum were so rotten with age that they fell apart in one's hands and were practically worthless. Captains of tugboats and others who picked up the jackets sustain these charges. These jackets were filled with granulated cork instead of solid blocks and whenever the canvas was torn the small particles poured out and made the preserver of little or no value.

F. A. Barnaby, president of the Knickerbocker Steamboat company, owners of the Slocum, declares that the requirements of the law had been observed on the steamboat. Regarding life preservers and other equipment, Barnaby said the vessel had been inspected recently and that if any blame attached in that regard it rested solely with the inspectors.

Henry Lundberg and John W. Fleming, assistant inspectors, who made the inspection of the Slocum on May 5 last, admitted that they had made no test of buoyancy, declaring that such tests were made only at the factory. It was admitted also that children could not get at them and that many of the jackets were held by wires.

Lundberg in his inspection did not reject a single life preserver. BANDIT MAKES NEW DEMANDS. Washington, June 16.—A serious hitch has occurred in the negotiations for the release of Perdicaris and Varley, the American and Englishman captured in Tangier by the bandit Raisouli. The details as communicated to the state department by Consul-General Gurnea indicated that Raisouli has vastly enlarged his original demands. He now insists upon absolute control of no less than four Moorish provinces, and besides demands that no less than three nations, including the United States, guarantee the absolute performance of the sultan's promise. The demands are regarded as absolutely impossible of compliance here, notwithstanding what effect the refusal may have upon the fate of the captives.

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