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LES ADELPHES REACHES PORT

Astoria-Bound Vessel Had Terrible Experience on Trip From Madagascar.

CREW WAS ALMOST STARVED

Provisions Ran Out and Men Had No Fresh Water—Cook Died and Was Buried at Sea.

SEATTLE, Feb. 26.—A special to the Times from Port Angeles says: The French bark Les Adelphe, 162 days from Madagascar bound for Astoria, against which there is a reinsurance of 20 per cent, arrived here today with almost every man of the crew down with scurvy. For the last 25 days they have been subsisting on one biscuit per day to each man, and were for some time without fresh water, except rain water. The cook, F. Leitch, died, and was buried at sea, because of age and exposure. Five of the crew are so sick that arrangements are being made to send them to the hospital, while the balance of the crew will remain here until they recuperate. The sight of the crew in their weakened and diseased condition was awful. Captain F. Coffin was himself obliged to wear a bandage covering his nose and face to hide the disease. A supply of food and all other things necessary to make the men comfortable was hurriedly put aboard. The vessel weathered the storm without damage.

(The news of the arrival of the vessel was received with a feeling of relief by shipping men here, but all were surprised to learn that she had run short of provisions, as French ships are usually well supplied. The Les Adelphe was reported off the river last Saturday, but she was not then flying distress signals.)

TOWN MAY BE FLOODED.

Ice Jam at Columbia, Pa., Results in Much Damage.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 26.—Residents along the river front at Columbia are in a state of terror. The ice on the Susquehanna broke this afternoon between Columbia and Marietta and rushed down stream until it reached a dam just below Columbia, where a jam formed. Then the water began to back up, and in a short time had risen eight or nine feet. The water entered the electric light plant and the town is in darkness. In the darkness and confusion, it is impossible to ascertain the full extent of the damage.

ONE WAY OF BEATING RACES.

Montana Sharps Planned to Tap Wires but Were Caught.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 26.—A Butte special to the Herald says: By exposing a wire-tapping conspiracy, a prominent young mining man of Butte saved the Butte pool-rooms last Monday about \$25,000 or \$30,000 on the Oakland races. The facts came to light today in an effort to discover some parties to the alleged conspiracy in Utah. Reports were delayed by wire and the result telephoned to Butte about 15 minutes in advance of the telegraphic reports.

TRACY GOT THE DECISION

Outpointed Rube Ferns, but Failed to Knock Him Out

PORTLAND, Feb. 26.—Tom Tracy, of Australia, was given the decision over Rube Ferns, of Kansas, at the end of the 20-round contest tonight. While there was no knockout, Tracy had Ferns in "queer street" three or four times, and the referee's decision was a popular one.

DEAD NUMBER SIX.

WALLACE, Ida., Feb. 26.—D. McCollum died this morning and John Bowhay this evening, making six victims of Monday night's fire at Mace.

MISS STONE COMING HOME

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A dispatch from Vienna says that Miss Stone will go to the United States next summer.

DISABLED VESSEL MAKES PORT.

HALIFAX, Feb. 26.—The steamship Neckar, with her propeller disabled, was conveyed into Halifax harbor this

evening by the steamer Karlsruhe and the steamer Matin Head. The Neckar and Karlsruhe are both from Bremerhaven for New York, with a combined passenger list of 2500 people.

BRITISH LOSS WAS HEAVY.

Twenty Men Killed and Thirty-eight Wounded by Boers.

PRETORIA, Feb. 26.—In an attempt made by the Boers to break through the Venode blockhouse line held by columns under Byng and Rington, the brunt of the fighting fell on the New Zealanders. The British losses were two officers and 18 men killed and five officers and 22 men wounded.

DID NOT TALK POLITICS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Booker T. Washington was at the White House today and had a conference with the president, lasting 15 minutes. It is stated that political matters were not touched.

HOUSE FAILS TO CONCUR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The house today sent the Philippine tariff bill to conference, nonconcurring in all the senate amendments.

BRECKENRIDGE AT HOME

TELLS OF CONDITIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Believes Manila Will Become a Great City—Work of Signal Corps.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—Brigadier-General J. C. Breckenridge, inspector general of the United States army, returned on the transport Hancock from a tour of inspection of the Philippine Islands. He will remain in the city for a few days before returning to Washington to make his report to the war department. In discussing the situation in the Philippines he said:

"The islands cannot be said to be entirely pacified for a certain amount of guerrilla warfare is going on. The military forces are not operating to any great extent just now as this is the rainy season. After the rains are over I expect the soldiers will penetrate to the interior and bring about peace. I visited forty different posts and found that there is room for great improvements. The posts were much better, however, than I expected to find them. The signal corps has done glorious work on the islands. That branch of the service has lost more men than any other department. I believe that if the strength of the signal corps was doubled down there the work would be quadrupled.

"The climate of the islands is enervating and the men generally fall off in weight but it is amazing how they keep up in nerve for all that. As for the two Brigadier-Generals Smith and Bell I have seldom seen officers with affairs better in hand.

"Governor Taft has made great advance toward placing the islands on a peaceful and substantial industrial footing.

"The schools in the islands are flourishing. The native Filipino thrives after knowledge and American ideas. The white teachers who have gone to the Philippines are accomplishing great results but I believe that it would be a great thing if native teachers of the Philippines were sent here to study our form of government.

"I think that the day is not far distant when Manila will have a population of a million inhabitants—yes, a million and a half. It is a great seaport and the Philippines are most valuable possessions."

PRINCE DINES WITH SCRIBES

Brilliant Banquet at New York Last Night in Honor of Our Visitor.

THE PRINCE MADE A SPEECH

Said His Visit Was the Result of an Effort to More Firmly Cement the Bonds of Friendship.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Prince Henry, of Prussia, dined tonight with one thousand of the men who make American newspapers. He was the special guest of Herman Riddock, proprietor of the New York Staats Zeitung, who gathered at his table a majority of the leading figures in American journalism. They came from the four quarters of the country and made the most noteworthy gathering of their profession ever assembled in the United States. There was a felicitous exchange of greetings between Prince Henry and the men who spoke for the journalistic craft, and the affair claims rank as one of the notable incidents in the American tour of the German prince.

The dinner was given in the handsome ball-room of the Waldorf-Astoria, but that immense room was not large enough to accommodate the newspaper guests, and the Astor gallery was also used. The two rooms were splendidly decorated. Mr. Riddock and special guests sat at an elevated table, above which were the American and German flags. The staffs were crossed and the banner, draped fan-like, reached out like the wings of a huge butterfly. Above them was the Prussian eagle, done in incandescent lights.

As the diners took their places the ladies of the party appeared in the boxes which wall the room.

Prince Henry, attended by members of his suite, drove to the hotel under the escort of cavalry and mounted police. The demonstration in the streets leading to the hotel was the most cordial of any that has so far marked his appearance in public. Great crowds lined the way and pressed against the police guards that had been thrown around the Thirty-third street entrance to the hotel. They cheered when the prince came in sight, and he frequently raised his hand to his cap in acknowledgement of the demonstration.

At the press dinner Prince Henry said:

"Before entering into details I should like all of you to understand that I consider this meeting, though it may be looked upon as official, as a private one, and that it is my wish that none of you will take advantage of what is said or spoken after leaving the table.

"Undoubtedly the press of our day is a factor, if not a power, which may not be neglected, and which I should like to compare with ever so many submarine mines which blow up in many cases in a most unexpected manner; but your own naval history teaches us not to mind mines, should they ever be in our way.

"His majesty, the emperor, has minutely studied the recent and rapid development of the United States, and his majesty is well aware of the fact that yours is a fast-moving nation. His sending me to this country may therefore be looked upon as an act of friendship and courtesy, with the one desire of promoting friendlier relations between Germany and the United States. Should you be willing to grasp the proffered hand, you will find such a one on the other side of the Atlantic ocean."

GATHERING OF NOTABLES.

Leading Men of the Country Gave a Luncheon to the Prince.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The luncheon given in honor of Prince Henry by 12 New York gentlemen and German government officials to about 100 Americans from all parts of the United States, who are of eminence in the financial, commercial and industrial circles of the United States, at Sherry's today, was in some respects the most notable function of its kind ever held in this city. There were 137 persons seated at 11 tables. The hosts were:

J. P. Morgan, Edward D. Adams, John Claflin, Abram S. Witt, Alexander E. Orr, James Stillman, Morris K. Jessup, George F. Baker, Elbert H. Gary, Levi P. Morton, William Rockefeller, William K. Vanderbilt and L. M. Goldberger, of Berlin.

PRINCE GOES TO WASHINGTON.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Prince Hen-

ry and suite left Jersey City for Washington at 1:30 this (Thursday) morning. The train is expected to reach Washington at 9 a. m.

GERMANS WELL PLEASED.

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—Details of the movements of Prince Henry and the courtesies shown him in the United States continue to be followed here with extraordinary interest, and the pleasure of Emperor William at the reception tendered his brother has been freely expressed to members of the royal household.

RE-WEIGHING OF MAILS.

Just Ordered for Fourth Contract District, Including Oregon.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—The postmaster-general has ordered a quadrennial re-weighing of United States mail carried on all railroad routes in which is known as the fourth contract section, including Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada and California. This is the period for the regular readjustment of pay for transportation by railroads to take effect from July 1, 1902.

SIX WERE MURDERED

FEARFUL TRAGEDY IN A LOUISIANA TOWN.

Crime Supposed to Have Been Committed for Purpose of Robbery.

WELSH, La., Feb. 26.—Business has been suspended in this little town. The murder of six members of the Earl family has cast an influence over the whole community which makes the ordinary affairs of life impossible. The body of L. S. Earl, father of the murdered boys, was found in a ditch near his home, with the throat cut and the body far gone in putrefaction. There is every evidence that the murders were committed as part of a pre-arranged plot. The home of Ward Earl, three miles from here, was some distance from that of his father. The evidence goes to show that Ward Earl was first murdered and that his father was then summoned from his home and murdered. Mrs. Earl left a piece of sewing on the machine in her home when she left the house and the three children had scattered the cards with which they were playing about the floor. When the bodies were found they had been piled in a heap with the exception of that of L. S. Earl, which had not been carried to the home of his son. The bodies of the boys had been thrown into one room, Ward's at the bottom and upon the heap the body of Mrs. Earl was cast. The only possible motive which can be conceived was robbery. Miss Maud Earl is in a critical condition. Her mind seems to be affected by the shock to such an extent that she cannot realize the extent of the tragedy. The reported arrest of the suspected man in Missouri has not been confirmed yet. The funerals of the six victims took place today.

GOVERNOR HOGG HONORED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Ex-Governor James Hogg, of Texas, has been given a dinner here by Viscount Deuerhorst, says a London dispatch to the Journal and American. Among those present were Ambassador Choate and the German Ambassador, Dr. Metterleieh.

GETS BACK AT THE PRESIDENT

South Carolina's Lieutenant-Governor Offers Affront to the Chief Executive.

SEQUEL TO FIGHT IN SENATE

Roosevelt Asked to Withdraw Acceptance of Invitation to Present Sword to Major Jenkins.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 26.—Lieutenant-Governor James H. Tillman, who is in the city, says that today, in accordance with requests by wire from the subscribers to the fund of the sword alluded to, he telegraphed as follows to President Roosevelt:

"A short while ago I had the honor to address your excellency requesting that on the occasion of your visit to Charleston you present a sword to Major Micah Jenkins, of the First United States volunteer cavalry, of whose gallant services you spoke so highly, your words being engraved on the scabbard. You accepted the invitation, for which I thank you. I am now requested by the contributors to the sword fund to ask that you withdraw said acceptance.

"JAMES H. TILLMAN, Lieutenant-Governor South Carolina." In explaining the telegram, Tillman said:

"It is with much regret that I am requested to send the telegram I did, especially in view of the fact that I am so closely related to one who but a few days ago was subjected to an affront which was seemingly—or, at least, the people who contributed to the purchase of the sword think—unwarranted."

CASE NOT YET SETTLED.

Sub-Committee on Privileges Will Report on Breach of Rules.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The committee on privileges and rules continued consideration of the Tillman-McLaurin episode this afternoon, but reached no conclusion beyond deciding to refer the entire matter to a sub-committee and to meet again Friday to consider any recommendation by the sub-committee. The afternoon session lasted three hours, and after the Democratic members took their departure the Republican members continued the sitting.

There was an entire agreement on the point that both South Carolina senators should be punished, but there was a disagreement on the details of punishment, as well as on the degree of it.

The Democrats held out stiffly against all suggestions looking to suspension of the privileges of the senators as an attack on the rights of the state they represent rather than on the senators themselves.

BIG STRIKE DECLARED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A general strike, involving about 1500 men, has been ordered on the buildings of a large contracting firm in this city. It affects carpenters, painters, steamfitters, plumbers and plasterers. The trouble is the outgrowth of friction between the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners.

St. Louis, Feb. 1st, 1902.

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