

WHOLLY SUBMERGED

Wrecked Valencia Now Lies Beneath the Waves.

LIFE BOAT GETS CLOSE IN

Egeria Boat's Crew Rows Within Fifty Yards of Wreck But Sees no Living Person—Boat is Entirely Submerged—Wreckage Floating Around.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 26.—The tug Lorne which returned at midnight from the Valencia wreck, went into Esquimalt on arrival to land a party of fourteen bluejackets from H. M. S. Egeria under Lieutenant Knight, who were chosen from the entire ship's crew, all hands of which volunteered to go to endeavor to assist any persons who remained at the wreck.

The steamer Salvor, spoken in the afternoon reported having seen three men on the beach near a hut was a mile and a half from the wreck, and the bluejackets from the Egeria under Lieutenant Knight went toward the shore in their life boat, having great difficulty. Lieutenant Knight megaphoned to the men on the beach but could not be heard.

The steamer City of Topeka left for Seattle at 3:30 p. m., with twenty-three survivors on board, Segalos having been transferred to the Lorne as a guide. The Lorne followed the Topeka homeward at 4 p. m.

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PROSECUTE OFFICERS.

District Attorney Jerome is to Move Against Insurance Companies. NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—District Attorney Jerome in the near future will, it was stated yesterday, move against officers of the various insurance companies which were under investigation by the legislative committee. A special grand jury is to be called to consider the cases, but the date for the assembling of the jury has not yet been set. Assistant District Attorneys Nott and Cox are at work with the district attorney on insurance matters. They

have been wading through the masses of evidence taken by the legislative investigators and in addition they have conferred with individuals who are in touch with the affairs of some of the companies.

One of these companies is the Mutual Reserve Life, the policyholders of which held a storm annual meeting Wednesday. The Mutual Reserve sent out yesterday its own account of the annual meeting on Wednesday. In this it was stated that only nine persons who demanded admission were refused by the committee on qualifications. It was also said that the care taken by the company in determining who was entitled to attend the meeting was one of the questions asked by Counsel C. E. Hughes, of the Armstrong committee as to what the precautions were used to make sure that nobody voted in the meetings except those entitled to vote.

The discussion at the meeting announcing the company's statement was at times "animated but in no way acrimonious."

SNAKES OF SARAWAK.

The Pythons Are Numerous and Feed on Pigs and Children.

In the Sarawak Gazette is an article on the snakes of that part of Borneo. Of the poisonous reptiles it says: "The cobra (Naja tripudians) is a black snake which raises its head to strike when irritated, at the same time expanding the hood at either side of the neck. It spits at intruders and hisses like a cat, whence it is known as 'ular telong puss' in some parts, too, as 'tedong mata harl.' The word 'tedong' in Sarawak is apparently applied to all large snakes which Malays consider to be poisonous, and, as our Malays are but ill acquainted with these animals, quite a number of large but harmless forms are designated by this term. The hamadryad (Naja bungarus) is a brown snake, considerably bigger but rarer than the cobra. It is rather shy, but when cornered, like the cobra, it raises its head and expands the hood before striking. Its food is chiefly other snakes.

"Less dangerous than these najas are the vipers, of which the most common species is the green viper, which reaches a length of two feet or more. The head is large and shaped like an ace of spades. This creature is a tree snake and very sluggish. The 'bungarus' are of several species, one, Bungarus fasciatus, of length up to four feet, being black with yellow rings. It is called the 'ular buku tebu' (sugar cane joints) by natives. There are also sea snakes of many species. The tail of a sea snake is flattened and oarlike."

Sarawak has other snakes: "Of the pythons there are two species. Python reticulatus grows to an enormous size, over twenty feet. It is very fond of pigs, but varies its diet by various animals, including even children. The oil of this snake is used by Malays as an embrocation for bruises. The other species of python, Python curtus, is interesting in that its flesh tastes like that of fowl—at least, so Dyaks say, and they are authorities on snake flesh, for they eat a number of the large snakes."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Some people are simply acting natural when they are kicking. Do the right thing by all of your friends, and you haven't anything but the core of the apple left.

People with real troubles do not care as much for sympathy as they do to have their trials as inconspicuous as possible.

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Don't forget that your actions are measured as critically all through life as is the borrowed butter you return to a neighbor.

With all due consideration for the sober second thought, we notice that the longer we aim the more liable we are to miss the mark.—Acheson Globe.

Froude's Youthful Terrors.

Of the youthful hardships endured by James Anthony Froude a biographer says: "Conceiving that the child wanted spirit, Hurrell, his elder brother, once took him up by the heels and stirred with his head the mud at the bottom of a stream. Another time he threw him into deep water out of a boat to make him manly. But he was not satisfied by inspiring physical terror. Invoking the aid of the preternatural, he taught his brother that the hollow behind the house was haunted by a monstrous and malevolent phantom, to which in the plenitude of his imagination he gave the name of Peuingre. Gradually the child discovered that Peuingre was an illusion and began to suspect that other ideas of Hurrell's might be illusions too."

The Flying Lizard of Java.

The curious little animals known as flying lizards (Draco volans) are only found in Java, and their strange appearance is supposed to have been the origin of the dragon of the mediæval eastern imagination. The reptile is like an ordinary lizard, but is provided with folds of extensible skin which are spread out by the long ribs and enable the animal to glide through the air from tree to tree in pursuit of the insects on which it preys. When lying prone on the mottled surface of a bough, it is an excellent example of "protective resemblance," as it is most difficult to be seen unless it moves.

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