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SURVIVORS OF WRECK

Dire Suffering Reported by Those Saved From Ill-fated South Portland.

CAPTAIN LEFT FIRST

Developments Tend to Show That Vessel Was Running Too Far Inshore--Some One Blundered Seriously.

Port Orford, Or., Oct. 21.—Investigations into the tragic disaster happening yesterday afternoon when the steamship South Portland went to pieces on the sunken reefs of Cape Blanco, eight miles above this town, tend to show that some one seriously blundered in the navigation of the ill-fated vessel.

Capt. J. B. McIntyre, master of the vessel, refuses to make a statement other than saying that in a dense fog with seas running high his ship struck the reef at 4:30 yesterday afternoon and, to his belief, went to pieces 20 minutes after. The coroner's jury now sitting has not concluded its inquiry, but it seems evident that Capt. McIntyre was one of the first to leave the vessel in officers' boat No. 2.

An appalling scene was witnessed on deck when the 39 people aboard became aware that death stared them in the face. Without a moment's warning, and while many were below, the boat struck with terrific force. She was running before the wind, and it is now believed the captain, who was on the bridge, immediately ordered the officers' boat and, with 14 others, left the ship.

Before the vessel surged from the sunken reef impromptu rafts were made from hatchways by the frantic members of the crew and passengers. One raft is supposed to be yet adrift with living persons upon it.

Charles Bruce, first officer of the vessel, was probably the last to leave. He manned a lifeboat with 10 persons, including the members of the crew and one passenger, and succeeded in reaching Port Orford yesterday evening.

First Engineer Charles Huson died soon after being taken from the boat, having succumbed to the fearful exposure.

The Bandon life-saving crew reached here from 30 miles up the coast last night, and until now they have been searching for the raft, on which is supposed to be seven persons.

Of the 14 passengers aboard the South Portland were Mrs. Bent and Mrs. Tyrrell, the only women, and these are both missing. The verdict in the case of Engineer Huson will be returned probably tonight.

Seldom in the history of this coast has a more heartrending disaster occurred.

Capt. McIntyre won't talk. Capt. McIntyre, although repeatedly requested to talk on the subject of the wreck, refuses to make a statement.

The Survivors of Crew. Captain J. McIntyre. Charles Bruce, first officer. James Ward, chief engineer. T. Fitzott, second assistant engineer. John McKee, oiler. William Hughes, fireman. William Robinson, fireman. James Alwood, seaman. C. Johnson, seaman. John Reimer, seaman. Emanuel Baumgardner, cook.

Surviving Passengers. L. Baker. Guy Bent. Al Bailey. William L. Wilson. H. Weber. Supposed Drowned and Missing. Mrs. Fletcher Bent of Nova Scotia. B. Baker of Alameda. J. S. Lahey. Mrs. W. E. Tyrrell of Portland.

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RUSSIANS SHOW HATE

Press of St. Petersburg Arraigns America for Alleged Interference

CAPTAIN LEFT FIRST

Accuses United States With Designs to Control Far Eastern Trade--Very Strong Dislike is Expressed.

(Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, Oct. 21.—The press of this capital is today strongly protesting against American interference in old world affairs.

The Novoe Vremya arraigns American missionaries who, it says, formerly confined their efforts to expounding the Gospel at their own risk, but are now sheltered by American diplomacy and the conduct of the propaganda is strongly tinged with political colors.

Complaint is also made against American energy in Pacific waters and her continual effort to make an economic conquest in China and secure control of the Oriental markets. It is stated that America and Japan are growing more intimate and America will progress until her interests traverse those of European powers.

The tone of all articles are acrimonious and seem to show hatred on the part of Russians.

CARDINAL GIBBONS CELEBRATES FUNERAL

(Journal Special Service.) St. Louis, Oct. 21.—At Archbishop Kain's funeral today Cardinal Gibbons celebrated requiem mass. With him were other high church dignitaries of America. Four archbishops, 10 bishops and 500 priests chanted mass. The sermon was preached by Archbishop Kain of Dubuque, Iowa. Thousands were unable to gain entrance to the cathedral.

JEWISH RIOT IN CITY OF POLAND

(Journal Special Service.) Berlin, Oct. 21.—The Tageblatt today reports a riot and jail delivery by Jews at Pina, Poland. The police arrested four Hebrews as political suspects. Several hundred compatriots were liberated. The police interfered and a fierce fight followed in which one woman was killed and many injured. Later in the day six Jews were imprisoned.

ROBBERS BLOW SAFE AND FIGHT CITIZENS

(Journal Special Service.) Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 21.—Robbers dynamited the vault of the State bank at Pleasantdale yesterday morning and secured \$3,500 in currency. The explosion aroused the citizens, who engaged in a running fight with the robbers, who escaped, apparently uninjured. Bloodhounds and posse are pursuing.

EXPERT CRACKSMEN

(Journal Special Service.) Superior, Wis., Oct. 21.—The postoffice here was robbed last night and more than \$10,000 in currency and stamps were stolen. Expert cracksmen executed the job and left no clue.

A more careful count of the postoffice vault shows that the robbers secured nearly \$18,000. The vault was forced without explosives by high experts. The postmaster's safe, containing a large sum of money, was not touched, which fact leads to the belief that the men were frightened away.

STEAMER REGULATOR HITS A BIG SHIP

While entering the harbor last night about 9 o'clock the steamer Regulator ran into the German steamship Eba which was moored at the Oceanic dock. As a consequence the Regulator is laid up for repairs.

The ralling on her starboard side was broken, a bit on the hurricane deck was crushed into kindling wood, her roof badly damaged, and she sustained several other minor damages.

There were about 60 passengers on the steamer, and had any of them been on deck they would probably have been killed or badly injured. No one was injured, although many of the passengers were badly frightened. When the collision occurred the women began to scream, and for a few moments it looked like a panic would ensue. The officers

TOLSTOI IS FAST NEARING THE PORTALS OF DEATH



New York, Oct. 21.—Dispatches are being received here today stating that Count Leo Tolstoy, the great Russian novelist, is nearing his death. The eminent man is resigned and says that his end is about at hand. He is feebly working on his last book. He never goes out of doors and writes while lying in bed. A stream of letters and telegrams pour into his household bearing condolence. He writes his autograph below the sender's signature and orders the missives returned.

SELF-STYLED ELIJAH GOES UP AGAINST IT

New York Proves a Hard Proposition to, Dowie--Dowie's Healings Fall Down--Unique Excuses Offered--Carrie Nation In Attendance--Is Put Out.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Oct. 21.—John Alexander Dowie is having a frost here. While it is true that he succeeds in packing the great Madison Square Garden at the opening of his meetings, it is a fact that before the services are half over at least two-thirds of his curious audience leaves.

The self-styled Elijah II rants and raves. He calls down all sorts of imprecations upon his dissatisfied hearers. He berates the press and openly attacks the ministers of the gospel, who are not by any means in sympathy with him or his followers. He has not hesitated to call eminent religionists many hard names. Dr. Charles Parkhurst has replied in an open letter which appears below.

Another grief of the Elijah, is due to the fact that his Divine healings are not at all successful. The alleged prophet has accounted for failure in healings in a clever manner. He says: "The reason my healings have all gone wrong is because I forgot the difference in time, whereby the sacred host in New York is praying at 9 o'clock Eastern time and the host in Zion City at 3 o'clock central time. I have ordered a rectification so Chicago's prayers will reach Heaven at 8 o'clock. The healings are now going on perfectly."

Many of the host are exhausted and have been taken to private New York homes and fed and sheltered. Forty-three are now ill from exhaustion.

Carrie Nation attended the meeting last night and occupied a front seat. So many times she interrupted Dowie that he at last called his Zion guard and several policemen. By this, escort the hatchet-wielder was led from the hall. The crowd outside cheered when she was brought out and hundreds made a rush for the interior of the garden. The police feared a riot and closed the doors, allowing no person to enter or leave the place.

During the whole meeting a great commotion was kept up. Dowie could not be heard a tenth of the time. At one stage of the meeting it was feared by the police that a free fight would follow several of Dowie's remarks, and 100 extra officers were called to the garden. The following is the open letter sent the alleged prophet by Dr. Parkhurst:

No Mincing Matters. "New York, Oct. 20.—I do not want to be presuming, but doubt if it is any more presumption in me to come and try to clarify you than it is for you to come and try to clarify New York, and I do not know which of us has taken the heavier contract. I attended your service at Madison Square Garden last evening, and I went determined to enjoy it if I could be benefited by it and go away and refute some of the charges that I had heard alleged against you.

SAMUEL MORSE IS FATALLY INJURED

(Journal Special Service.) Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 21.—Samuel Morse, the owner of the Indianapolis Sentinel and former consul-general to Paris, fell from the window of his private office on the third floor of the Sentinel building this morning and was fatally injured.

No one was with General Morse at the time of the accident and it is believed he lost his balance in trying to let down the awning.

Morse died at 10:30 this morning in the hospital. He had been suffering with stomach trouble for years which was alarmingly worse the past few weeks. A suicide theory is advanced by many friends, as he was recently exceedingly dependent. He fell head foremost and his skull was crushed. A passerby narrowly escaped. Morse was one of the most prominent Democrats in the country, and was appointed to Paris by Cleveland. He leaned toward the gold standard and has been many times attacked by Bryan.

SOUTHERN BLOOD IS SPILLED FREELY

Memphis, Oct. 21.—News was received this morning of a fatal duel at Brookhaven. Night-Watchman Forsyth attempted to arrest Richard Russell. The men fired simultaneously, and both fell dead at the same instant. At Friar's Point a negro named McCoy shot and fatally wounded his employer, named George, a white contractor, because the latter tried to stop a crap game.

PITTSBURG FAILURE NOT VERY SERIOUS

(Journal Special Service.) Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 21.—Bankers believe today that the Federal National bank will pay dollar for dollar, and that the embarrassment is due to tightened money and stock fluctuations. They do not believe the flurry will extend to other institutions.

INQUISITORS CROWDED SCHOOLS USE PROBE

Grand Jury is Delving Into Alleged Frauds at Land Office.

CHARGES FAR REACHING

Large Number of Witnesses Have Been Summoned and the Investigation Promises to Reveal Some Startling Conditions.

Asa B. Thompson, receiver of the United States land office at La Grande is said to have been under investigation by the grand jury on a charge of demanding \$50 a quarter section from locators to insure their cases being carried through.

The allegation was made against Thompson that he made propositions to several persons who had filed on public lands, and whose claims had been held up, that he would assure the safe conduct of the cases through the tortuous channels of the United States land office to a patent for \$50 a quarter section, that the proposals were made to persons living in Umatilla county.

The claims in question had been suspended by the department of the interior because it is alleged agreements were made by the locator prior to filing to sell to Charles Cunningham and other sheep and cattle ranchers in that county.

The testimony bearing on the case was collected largely by Judge John J. Ballery of Pendleton. Judge Ballery is a prominent lawyer of that place, who formerly was judge of the state circuit court of that district. It was transmitted to the federal jury here and placed before them in part yesterday.

Mr. Cunningham was one of the chief witnesses against Thompson. He was examined yesterday, discharged from further service and will leave tonight for his home in Pendleton.

It could not be ascertained that a decision had been reached by the grand jury in this case, but it was intimated that evidence was submitted sufficient to incline some if not all of the jurymen to a belief that the case should be tried out in the open court.

It was also intimated that the evidence had not implicated E. W. Bartlett, the register of La Grande land office at the time the alleged propositions were made by Thompson.

The intimation was given that Cunningham swore that he had had no agreement with the locators on public lands, at any time, and that so far as he knew, the homesteaders acted in good faith; that he asserted that the files were men of various occupations and that they located the lands for purposes of which he had no knowledge.

For many years, allegations have been made that big ranchers of Eastern Oregon and Washington have been accustomed to have their herders file on homesteads, and after paying the expenses and \$200 profit to the fier, buy the claims to add to their range. Some of the big ranchers have acquired enormous holdings of range lands. Cunningham has control of about 80,000 acres, although only a portion has been patented and bought by him. Others have added to their ranges until they approximate the area of land owned and controlled by Cunningham.

It was understood that Cunningham (Continued on Page Two.)

REASONS URGED BY SOME OF THE LEAGUERS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MORE SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN THIS CITY.

With a constantly growing school attendance and acute congestion in several districts, the Municipal Taxpayers' league is working on a plan to provide for the emergency that it believes is bound to occur. This plan has not taken definite shape, but the league hopes to arrange for new schools wherever required, making arrangements for adequate playgrounds, a general renovation of the present buildings, which can be put into first-class shape by repair, and to secure the funds necessary, to carry out the program.

In order to facilitate the preliminaries the officials of the league have secured from School Superintendent Rigler a statement compiled from the records in his office, showing the present school debt, the number of schoolhouses and scholars, the condition of the buildings and grounds, what available funds there are on hand, and, in short, all of the data which could be of assistance in reaching a thorough understanding of the present situation of the municipal school system.

An Emergency at Hand. The taxpayers have pointed with pride to the small bonded indebtedness in that department of municipal affairs. The entire school debt amounts to less than \$20,000, but this simply means, say the leaguers, that the schools have been neglected.

"We will soon face an emergency," said Superintendent Rigler, in a general discussion of school topics yesterday, "and some steps must be taken to improve conditions. Our school facilities are inadequate, and, as has been pointed out frequently, there are many sections in which the school buildings fall short of the requirements. At the Couch school, for instance, we are compelled to make use of portable rooms, and at Central school the pupils in two rooms are taken out into other rooms for instruction. North Central has overcrowded rooms and a number of the Sunnyside pupils are quartered in the assembly hall.

"Another feature in which our schools are sadly deficient is the lack of playgrounds which can be used by the pupils during recess, which acts as an improvement in the West Side the only schools with adequate grounds are the Fulton Park, Fulton and Marquam. On the East Side the Sellwood, Central, Thompson, Peninsula and Portsmouth are the only schools possessing playgrounds. The other schools are provided with basements, and the children are allowed two intermissions during the day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, during which they are permitted the freedom of these recess grounds. It is the best we can do, and at those places the scholars are dismissed 20 minutes before the regular time elsewhere. Of course, this is not as good as the open playgrounds, and, if possible, I would like to see every building provided with out-of-doors recreation facilities.

Playgrounds Too Expensive. "I think considering these disadvantages, that our system is as good as can be found anywhere. I appreciate the fact that the children, as a rule, love the (Continued on Page Two.)

COUNCIL OPPOSES GAMBLING POLICY

For the purpose of ascertaining how the members of the city council and executive board stand regarding the gambling policy of Mayor Williams, a poll of the members was made by a representative of The Journal, and this question was put: "Do you approve of the policy of licensing gambling adopted by Mayor Williams?"

L. Zimmerman—"No." Mathis Foeller—"No." F. T. Merrill—"Emphatically no. I disapprove of the methods of the present police administration, but under the charter there is nothing to do. The mayor is the king in Portland and what he says goes.

"Under the charter there is no way that I know of by which we can hold an investigation. Even if we did it would not amount to anything, as the mayor would doubtless reappoint Hunt as chief." A. F. Fiegel—"No. Something should be done at once to correct the evils in the police department. Acts of omission and commission, alleged against the department are so strongly put as to make it necessary to investigate." H. R. Albee—"No; but I think an investigation into the affairs of the police department should be made at once. Matters have gone so far and so much criminality and reprobation has resulted that only a public investigation by the common council will clear the matter up. But I don't see that any results would be attained as under the charter the council is powerless."

A. K. Bentley—"No, I don't approve it." B. D. Sigler—"No." J. P. Sharkey—"I have nothing to say." Of the executive board, which acts as an advisory board to the mayor, only two members would discuss the subject. This is what the members of the executive board said: George H. Howell—"I can only reiterate what I have said and again alleged in the board rooms, that the present police administration is the best Portland has ever had." William Fiedner—"I do not care to discuss the matter at present." Henry W. Goddard—"I do not see the use of all this talk about the matter." R. L. Gilsap—"I have nothing to say." Sig Sichel—"Too much has been said about this matter, and I do not care to discuss it." Ed M. Curtis—"Pass me up." Whitney L. Boole—"What's the use?" E. C. Wortman—"I have nothing to say."