

FOURTEEN DIE IN CHESAPEAKE BAY WHEN SHIPS MEET

Storm on Atlantic Does Great Damage; Steamers Collide; One Sinks, Other Is Run Ashore; Eight Rescued.

(By the International News Service.) New York, Jan. 4.—With the abatement today of the wind and snowstorm that raged over the eastern states came harrowing tales of shipwrecks at sea, thrilling rescues, increased loss of life and damage to property.

Eight men, the survivors of the crew of 23 of the steamer Julia Luckenbach, which was rammed and sunk by the British tramp Indrakula in Chesapeake bay, arrived in Norfolk today and after being revived started for New York.

The eight men clung to the rigging for six hours, until they were taken off by the crew of the steamship Pennsylvania. The Indrakula was badly damaged and had to be beached. She lies about two miles from the Luckenbach, whose spar alone are visible rising out of 45 feet of water near Tangiers sound.

Eight Are Saved.

The eight survivors of the Luckenbach are F. H. Hunt, first officer; William Bruhn, second officer; George Little, first assistant engineer; George Davis, third assistant engineer; George Davis, quartermaster; William Hoffman, fireman; and Theodore Loshner and P. Anderson, seamen.

"Describing his experience, Davis said tonight:

"None of us knew what had hit us. I was knocked down and when I got up water was pouring over me.

"I saw men climbing into the rigging and I followed. I saw Captain Gilbert swimming around the ship calling for his wife, who was an invalid. Both were lost. Waves kept coming to be 100 feet high broke over the ship and she sank in a hurry. Life boats were lowered from the Indrakula, but none came toward us. The ship turned her nose around and started for the beach.

Wind Tosses Clothing.

"The wind was so strong it tore our clothing to shreds. Billy Hoffman said he was freezing to death and I saw blood streaming down his arm. He was almost naked.

"We pleaded and cried for help," said Theodore Loshner, "but were either unheard or ignored. The Indrakula was less than 100 yards away when she started for the beach. I thought every minute we would be blown into the sea. The wind was terrific. Our chief engineer, Charles Kauffman, told me he could not hold on much longer because his hands were frozen. I told him to stick it out a little longer. When the Danish steamer Pennsylvania, home in sight I called to him but he was gone.

Spent Six Hours in Rigging.

"We were six hours in the rigging. But there were men on the Pennsylvania. When they saw our signals of distress they put away in small boats in spite of the tremendous seas. The boats would get near us then be carried 50 feet in the air on the crest of a wave and lost to sight, but those men stuck and took every one of us. First Officer Hunt was unconscious. He had been holding on with one hand and holding an unconscious man on his perch with the other.

The Indrakula is commanded by Captain Smith, but the ship does not carry a wireless station and no statement from him was obtainable tonight.

The steamer Columbia of the Delaware River company put into the harbor this afternoon 30 hours late after a wild night on the Delaware river. She was buffeted about for 10 hours and several times nearly capsized. She carried besides her crew eight passengers, four of whom were women.

Several cities report tonight that street railway traffic and wire communication, crippled by last night's storm, have not yet been restored.

At Rochester, N. Y., telegrams were sent to their addresses by special delivery mail. Rochester reports two deaths, George Leise, 32, having frozen to death in a snow bank, and a broken electric light wire killed an Italian laborer.

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LAKE STEAMER HITS A WRECK; TOWED TO PORT

(United Press Special Wire.)

Buffalo, Jan. 4.—During a snowstorm tonight the steamer Saxonia, sailing light from Buffalo, collided with the wreck of the steamer Richardson, two and a half miles off Buffalo breakwater. In response to distress rockets the tug Yale was sent to the rescue.

RICH MAN IS CHARGED WITH MISUSE OF MAILS

C. A. Smith Selling \$4,500,000 Bond Issue on False Claim of Title to Timber Land, Says Letter.

Charges that C. A. Smith is using the United States mails to defraud, in selling a \$4,500,000 bond issue of the C. A. Smith Timber company, are made in a letter of information filed with United States Attorney John McCourt yesterday by Horace Stevens, an attorney in the Miller building.

C. A. Smith, until a short time ago a resident of Minneapolis, Minn., but now living in San Francisco, is one of the wealthiest holders of timber lands in the country. The company which bears his name and of which he is president, is one of the largest logging concerns in the west, having thousands of acres of timber land in Oregon and California.

Mr. Smith also is president of the Lane & Lane Timber company, a subsidiary concern, against which the United States circuit court here recently awarded the government judgment in a civil action, revoking the title to 45 quarter sections of valuable timber land on the ground that they had been fraudulently obtained.

Stevens charges that Smith, as president of the company, advertised and sent circulars through the mails, claiming that the timber company was owner in fee simple of 181,611 acres of timber lands in Oregon and California, which secured the bonds, but that in reality a large part of this land is being contested now by the government and that the titles to part of it already has been revoked by the government.

Says Title Is Not Good.

"As a citizen of this state," writes Stevens, "I have the honor to direct your attention to the fact that by process of a circular letter dated at Marshfield, Or., April 15, 1912, one C. A. Smith is seeking to float a bond issue of \$4,500,000 covering certain lands in Oregon and California, title to much of which has not only been cancelled by the United States court for the district of Oregon under judgment rendered October 20, 1910, by United States District Judge Robert S. Bean, which judgment was affirmed after appeal by the United States circuit court of appeals, but that many thousands of acres included in C. A. Smith's schedule of securities are also involved in proceedings instituted by the government November 21, 1902, to cancel the forest land selections forming the title so said lands, upon the ground that they were acquired fraudulently from the United States.

"The circular letter from C. A. Smith, above alluded to, in dealing with the history of the organization known as the C. A. Smith Timber company, sets forth the following allegations of fact, which I am prepared to show are manifestly untrue and misleading in many essential particulars, and well calculated to deceive the public in the matter of purchase of said bonds.

Stevens then sets forth a letter from Mr. Smith, which is sent to Mr. McCourt as an exhibit, stating that the bond issue was secured by something over 9,000,000 acres of standing timber on 181,611 acres of land, located as follows: Humboldt county, California, 30,960 acres; Coos county, Douglas county, Oregon, 79,568 acres; El Dorado county, California, 60,833 acres; and Lincoln county, Oregon, 11,900 acres. This letter states that all except 11,900 acres of this land is owned by the company in fee simple.

Misuse of Mails Alleged.

Stevens then charges that in a circular letter, showing the outline of a tract in Lane and Lane counties, Oregon, "containing twelve full townships and aggregating approximately 276,460 acres, which it is asserted are owned by the Lane & Lane Timber Co. and specifically designated as a tract owned by the Lane & Lane Timber company, a subsidiary company of the C. A. Smith Timber company."

"I hereby charge," continues Stevens in his letter, "that said C. A. Smith has sought and is now seeking, by the processes enumerated herein, to willfully deceive and mislead the public in regard to the quantity of land owned by the said corporation in fee simple as described in said circular, and that he has been guilty of a fraudulent misuse of the mails.

Nine specific allegations of fraud are then set out. One is that the Secretary of the Interior on November 21, 1902, imposed a suspension covering 1,230 acres of the lands in Douglas, Coos and Curry counties, Oregon, embraced in the schedule of 79,568. This suspension is based on charges of fraud preferred through the land department and is still in effect, Stevens claims.

Four Tons of Cold Storage Halibut Sent to City Incinerator



Truck loaded with ton of cold storage halibut. Dealer had fish destroyed because it was unfit for food.

Four tons of cold storage halibut, enough to supply 1066 persons with a good sized portion of halibut steak for dinner, was sent to the city incinerator by a front street dealer in fish yesterday to be burned.

One big auto truck had to make four trips to bring the fish to the incinerator. The fish had been kept in cold storage in a front street plant for two years.

At the present market price of 10 cents a pound wholesale, the halibut, if they had been fresh, would have represented a value of \$300 to the dealer. At the prevailing retail price of 20 cents a pound, or two pounds for 35 cents, they would have cost the consumer \$1400.

If they could have been put on the market, however, they would undoubtedly have brought down the price, which is now very high on account of the scarcity of the fish. Retail dealers fig-

ure a pound and a half of halibut as the portion for two persons.

More than once last summer big shipments of fruit and vegetables, apparently in good condition, were sent to the incinerator by front street commission men to be burned. On one occasion a whole carload of cantaloupes was brought out, at a time when if put on the market would have brought down the price considerably. Some of them were in such good condition that folks living in the vicinity of the incinerator had fresh cantaloupes for several days.

At another time a big shipment of asparagus was sent out. Enough of it was sent from the incinerator to the Children's Home and other institutions to keep a wagon busy hauling it for two days. The suspicion was aroused at the time that the purpose was to destroy the food to keep up the price.

Front street fish men, however, de-

clined that the four tons of halibut had been held in cold storage to force up the price.

It was said that it was destroyed because it had become unfit for food, and that it had been kept in cold storage because up to a few months ago the supply was so great and the price so low that there was no demand for it. The strike of the halibut fishermen out of Seattle was cited as the cause of the present scarcity and high cost of living so far as halibut is concerned.

There were 2480 pounds of fish in the first load, 2300 in the second, and an even ton in the third. On its fourth trip the auto carried enough to make up the four tons.

In Vancouver, B. C., a charge of \$20 a ton is made at the incinerators for burning all foodstuffs sent out by dealers. The purpose of this charge is to make it so expensive to destroy food stuffs that there can be no profit in their deliberate destruction to keep down the supply and hold up the consumer.

CASTRO REMAINS AT ELLIS ISLAND PENDING HEARING

Exiled Ex-President of Venezuela Cancels Return Passage to Europe; Pins Hope on Habeas Corpus.

(By the International News Service.) New York, Jan. 4.—Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, did not sail for Hamburg today as he had planned, but instead is still in his quarters on Ellis island pending a hearing on a writ of habeas corpus issued today and returnable Monday. At that time Castro's attorney, George Gordon Battle, will ask for bail pending a hearing on a supplementary order issued by the federal court and if it is granted, Castro will in all probability be permitted to land on American soil.

The order is directed against the immigration authorities and they are cited to show cause why Castro is being detained. Castro's attorney questions the legality of excluding General Castro.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The Castro affair bids fair to become a case celebre. The state department is mainly interested in keeping Castro out of the country owing to the apprehension that he will make it a possible point of departure for Venezuela in order to foment a new revolution. It is an open secret also that the department of commerce and labor is at variance with the state department on the proceedings. The department of commerce and labor will, if it thinks necessary, appeal to the attorney general to represent the immigration officials when the case comes up before Judge Hough in New York next Friday. In any event it appears quite likely that the case will eventually have to be settled by the United States supreme court.

EVANGELIST TO SPEAK AT A MEN'S MEETING

Dr. J. Q. A. Henry, formerly pastor of the White Temple, now a well-known evangelist, who is conducting a series of special meetings in the White Temple, will be the speaker at a men's meeting to be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the church. This meeting will be conducted jointly by the church and the Young Men's Christian association, replacing the usual meeting in the Y. M. C. A.

SAYS SALMON WILL SOON BECOME EXTINCT

"Within a very few years the salmon will be extinct, and the salmon pack industry, one of the most important to the northwest, will cease to exist," said Dr. Harry Lane last night in an address before the University of Pennsylvania society, which held its meeting at the Multnomah hotel.

"It is to prevent this condition, and to prevent the capture by a few of the great natural resources of this country, that I am going to fight for in Washington," continued the senator-elect.

NAVAL BATTLE ON IN DARDANELLES

Extent of Damage, If Any, Is Not Known; Bulgarian Situation Is Acute.

(United Press Special Wire.) Athens, Jan. 4.—The fighting between Turkish and Greek warships in the Aegean at the mouth of the Dardanelles ceased early tonight. It is not known to what extent either side was damaged. Sea fighting was resumed after two weeks this afternoon, when a Greek gunboat squadron engaged three Turkish cruisers and four destroyers were seen attempting to emerge from the straits.

Move Troops to Frontier.

(United Press Special Wire.) Bucharest, Jan. 4.—Roumania has organized two army corps and today the troops, fully equipped for field service, moved toward the district of Dobruja, which is on the Bulgarian frontier. The strained situation between Roumania and Bulgaria tonight was admitted to be most acute and it was believed that the Roumanian government was prepared to back up by force of arms their demand that the boundary between this country and Bulgaria be rectified.

This will be the start for the partition of Turkey in Europe. By remaining neutral in the Balkan war against Turkey, the Roumanians believe that they really aided the allies, and if European Turkey is given up entirely to the Balkan states, Roumania wants a slice.

SONG ARTIST TO AID FUND FOR TEACHERS

In aid of a hospital fund for the teachers of the city, Mrs. Charlie Jacobs Bond will appear in concert at the Masonic temple next to Wednesday evening. Those who have attended recent recitals where she has heard, and wished for more, will then have an opportunity at the same time to assist teachers who are carried away from their duties and their salaries by sickness.

This will be the start for the hospital fund, which the Portland grade teachers' association is anxious to establish. A similar fund has been created in other cities, and has been successfully maintained. It will be under the management of the association, and will be increased from time to time by entertainments or subscriptions.

When a teacher is ill she is allowed part pay for three days. During this time she must pay her substitute, and at the end of three days, if unable to return to duty, the pay stops. Sick-leave for a week or more seriously cuts into the salary. The association proposes by its hospital fund to pay hospital charges for two weeks. The association has 538 members.

The lookout committee of the association is looking out for Mrs. Bonds concert, at which it is expected she will repeat much of the program given Friday at the Multnomah hotel.

She is the composer of most of the songs she sings, and she also entertains by an interpretation in words, including such old favorites as "A Perfect Day," "I Love You Truly" and "Just a Wearyin' for You."

Colorado Has Blizzard.

Denver, Jan. 4.—One of the fiercest storms in years is raging tonight over virtually the whole of Colorado and

ROSARIANS MEET WITH STORM ON WAY TO CATALINA

Sand, Wind and Waves Make Portland Excursionists Long For the Quiet Willamette River and Home.

(Special to The Journal.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 4.—A sandstorm on the Pacific and a gale the strongest known in 10 years off the Los Angeles coast, according to the navigators, nearly brought a disastrous ending to the excursion of a detachment of Royal Rosarians to Santa Catalina island, 24 miles offshore today. Twice the steamer Hermosa went to her beam ends. Mrs. R. Christman, wife of a Portland contractor, was caught by a mountainous wave on the lower deck and saved just in time by her husband to prevent her being swept overboard. All were drenched, their clothing ruined by mingled sand and water and all were badly frightened.

The sandstorm was blown by the wind from the Mojave desert, covering the ocean quickly like a fog. The vessel bent about the coast several hours before getting into communication through a wireless cable located the entrance to San Pedro harbor.

However, there were many amusing incidents. Judge R. G. Morrow, S. Dean Vincent and W. J. Hoffman took refuge on the upper deck. When the vessel threatened to capsize the trio was huddled against the rail with their baggage. Starting on a painful return, Judge Morrow crawled on his hands and knees a complete circuit of the deck; as the vessel rapidly changed positions Hoffman lost his hat and was forced to wear Judge Morrow's skull cap. Paul Chamberlain was struck by a flying beam which broke his glasses. While at Catalina the party met Arthur Devers, his brother and friends, who are going hunting on the mountainous island. As guests of Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, 70 of the Rosarians attended grand opera in the Temple church theatre last night a number, headed by Hy Eilers, paid a visit to the Times building.

WIDOW AND CHILDREN IN DESTITUTE CONDITION

Out on the Peninsula is a family which has not eaten meat for many months. This family consists of Mrs. Mabel H. Gittings and her four children, who are almost wholly dependent upon charity for their support and was one of the destitute families mentioned in The Journal during the week of Christmas.

The story concerning Mrs. Gittings and her family was seen by Dods Reid, of Corvallis, who sent \$2 to Patrolman J. J. Murphy, who reported the case, and asked that it be given to Mrs. Gittings. The money was very gratefully received by Mrs. Gittings, who stated she would make it last her for several days.

This woman is the widow of Patrolman J. W. Gittings, who, in 1907, while in a Lower Albina saloon, was shot to death by a man named Bradley. The shooting was the result of a quarrel. Mrs. Gittings is wondering how she is ever going to pay the remainder of the street improvement assessment in front of her home. This amounts to \$90. If this is not paid the little family will lose its home at 71 West Humboldt street.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

WATSON GIRL IS HOME; CONFIRMS ABDUCTION TALE

Says Her Half-Sister and C. C. Boxley Took Her in an Automobile to Santa Barbara.

(By the International News Service.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 4.—Reatha Watson, the 16-year-old girl who disappeared Monday from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson here, returned home early this morning from Santa Barbara, where she left her half-sister, Mrs. Violet Ake, and C. C. Boxley, her companion. According to her parents, the child's story of her disappearance and return substantiated the kidnapping charges which they have made against Boxley and Mrs. Ake, and the district attorney's office will prosecute the couple.

The girl said she had left home Monday for the purpose of taking a ride with her half-sister and Boxley. The latter, according to Miss Watson, drove the automobile up the San Fernando valley to Santa Barbara. Then the girl realized that Boxley and Mrs. Ake intended to take her to San Francisco and keep her there, fearing bodily harm, she was afraid to make any resistance or try to escape.

While at a hotel in Santa Barbara Boxley learned that warrants were out for himself and Mrs. Ake, charging them with kidnapping the Watson girl. They then furnished the girl with money and instructed her to return home and tell a story of her disappearance that would protect them against such a charge.

Mrs. Ake and Boxley were last seen at Santa Barbara. They are supposed to be fleeing north in an automobile.

SUICIDE TAKES WITH HIM HIS ROOMMATE; GAS ROUTE

(Special to The Journal.)

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 4.—George Bowen, 30 years old, son of a wealthy manufacturer, England, family, who ran away from home in 1909, was identified at the morgue today in the body of K. Lirhus, the carpenter who was asphyxiated in a Japanese lodging house New Year's eve.

Investigation by a deputy coroner showed that Bowen was a victim of the suicidal mania of William O'Connor, his room mate, who was found by his side from the same cause. William Wentworth Bowen, father of the dead man, was in Seattle a month ago looking for his runaway son, whom he has heard was in this state. He made inquiries here and departed for Canada, there to conduct a further search.

The identification was made by James Shannon, a mutual friend.

Blows Gale in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Jan. 4.—A 34-mile gale, the most severe known here in 16 years, swept over southern California today, doing considerable damage to the growing crop and causing a practical cessation of shipping along the coast. About Los Angeles it took the form of a severe sand storm and the sky was darkened throughout the day with clouds of dust and sand. Trees were uprooted and several frame buildings blown down. Considerable damage was done to the orange crop by fruit being blown from the trees.

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