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THE LOSS OF THE VICTORIA

Circumstances Under Which the Accident Occurred.

HEARTRENDING STORY TOLD.

No Alarm Felt Immediately After the Accident—The Ship Sank Almost Without Warning.

Associated Press.

New York, June 26.—The extra edition of the Evening World contains a special cable from Tripoli, Syria, giving the full details of the sinking of the flagship Victoria. About 3 o'clock last Thursday afternoon the English fleet was signaled making directly for the harbor of Tripoli. Five of the big iron-clads—the Victoria, Camperdown, Edinburgh, Nile and Sanspareil—were drawn up in full front, the Victoria in the center, the Camperdown on the left and the Edinburgh on the right. When within five miles of the shore Vice-Admiral Sir George Tyrone signalled to turn and form a double line. When the order was given, the distance between the ships was less than two cable's length, and the execution of the order extremely difficult for the Victoria and the Camperdown. Admiral Markham of the Camperdown, signalled that he did not understand the signal. The other vessels not only hesitated, but also began to turn. The brief delay, however, was fatal. The Victoria turned, and the Camperdown, swinging around, bore down upon her. Both admirals were quick to act, and swung their vessels so as to receive at the smallest angle the blow which they saw was inevitable, and the Camperdown began reversing her screws. The ram of the Camperdown struck the Victoria just in front of her armored bulkhead, and plunged into the thin-plated armor on her starboard side. The other vessels bore down into double line upon the entangled ships, and a catastrophe involving all the iron-clads was imminent. Only the coolness and prompt action by the other commanders prevented a general disaster. It seems that Admiral Tyrone did not realize the extent of damage to the Victoria, for when the other ships signalled "offers of boats," he replied that he did not need them. The Victoria began to forge straight for shore under a full head of steam. The discipline was perfect. Admiral Tyrone and officers remained steadfast upon the bridge, and within five minutes after the blow he ordered that a diving suit be brought on deck, and a diver getting into it obeyed the order to go below and find out the extent of the damage. About ten minutes after the blow the Victoria, having got something like two miles nearer shore, all at once leaped away over to the starboard, and with a great roll and a plunge buried her bow beneath the sea. It was almost instantaneous. There was only a chance for a few wild cries, and the Victoria was almost half submerged, the bow foremost, with the swiftly revolving screws high in the air. The second deck was thrown immediately into the water. The poor creatures battled in vain against the suction. They were drawn down and thrown against the swiftly revolving blades. Then came a scene which made the officers on the decks of the other ships of the fleet turned away sick with horror. Screams and shrieks arose, and in the white foam appeared reddened arms and legs, and wrenched and torn bodies. All within reach of the vortex lost their presence of mind. The men who knew how to swim ceased swimming and fought in a moment or so with knives; then they disappeared and the vortex began to close up. The other vessels soon picked up fortunate ones who got out of the reach of the terrible vortex. Admiral Tyrone stuck on the bridge and refused to leave it. Just before the Victoria made her final plunge he saw what was about to happen and issued an order for each man to save himself; but that order never got beyond the bridge. The peril of those in the water was increased by the fact that the sea was infested by sharks. It was the duty of the marines when the collision occurred to immediately close all the water-tight compartments. When the Camperdown struck the Victoria the marines went below for duty, and as a result, of 120 marines on the Victoria, 99 were lost.

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FAILURES OF A DAY.

Banks and Business Houses Suspend and Others Resume Business.

Port Angeles, Wash., June 26.—The First National Bank of this city suspended shortly after opening its doors this morning. The suspension was caused by the sudden withdrawal of deposits by several large depositors. The officers of the bank saw that the cash on hand would not hold out, so they decided to suspend temporarily until funds could be secured. The assets of the bank are \$142,000; liabilities, \$58,000; due depositors, \$32,000. The bank has been conducted on very conservative lines, and is in good condition. The suspension caused no excitement, and confidence in an early resumption is expressed by all parties. The suspension will only cause a temporary embarrassment to a few.

Buffalo, June 26.—The Queen City Bank has failed.

The bank suffered a steady drain for the past several weeks. After paying out all its available cash, even to dimes, nickels and pennies, the officers this morning walked out and closed the doors. It owes the depositors over \$140,000. The management claim the depositors will be paid in full.

San Francisco, June 26.—The firm of S. & G. Gump, extensive dealers in art goods, made an assignment today. The liabilities are placed at \$140,000. The assets of the firm are supposed to exceed this amount. The cause of the failure is attributed to the calling in of loans.

Minneapolis, June 26.—The Bank of New England has suspended payment at least temporarily. A. J. Blothen, the president, says the depositors will be paid in full.

New York, June 26.—A receiver has been appointed for the Mutual Brewing Company of College Point.

San Diego, June 26.—The Bank of Commerce resumed business this morning.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

The Collapse of a Kansas Hotel Causes Several Fatalities.

Fort Scott, Kan., June 26.—The Tremont Hotel collapsed at half-past 9 this morning without warning. There were 100 occupants in it. It is believed five or six were buried in the debris. The house was a brick, four stories high. The entire east wall fell, followed by three floors and their load of occupants. The danger of other parts of the building falling prevents a thorough search for the bodies in the ruins. Twenty-seven occupants have been taken from the second story on the west side by means of a ladder, and others escaped through the regular exits. Ennie Colwell and Ida Morgan have been taken from the wreck, badly hurt, but not fatally. Mechanics are at work strengthening the walls so that a search can be made. It is believed the accident was caused by the addition of a Mansard roof which was too heavy for the foundation.

FIRE-CRACKERS GOING UP.

Washington, June 26.—Acting Secretary Curtis of the treasury department has practically raised the price of Fourth of July fire-crackers. At the rate of 8 cents per pound, account must be taken of the outside coverings, as well as of the inside coverings, as to do otherwise would make an allowance for tare, which is expressly prohibited.

A GOOD INDICATION.

New York, June 26.—The presidents of the leading banks reported this morning that the demand from country banks for rediscount and loans is smaller than for many weeks, and that the indications are that the crisis has passed.

DR. HERZ DEAD.

London, June 24.—Dr. Cornelius Herz, who fled from France as a result of the Panama Canal scandal revelations, and for whose extradition proceedings were pending, but were delayed on account of illness, died today at Bournemouth.

A BANK ROBBER.

Moorhead, Minn., June 26.—A robber entered the Merchant's National bank this morning, held up the bookkeeper and took \$500. He escaped across the river. A posse is in pursuit.

A CYCLONE IN KANSAS.

Wichita, Kas., June 26.—A private message states that a cyclone wrought terrible damage at Oakley, Logan county, last night. No details have as yet been received.

ELECTROCUTION IN NEW YORK.

Auburn, N. Y., June 26.—Butcher Fitzhugh was electrocuted here this afternoon for the murder in April, 1892, at Buffalo, of a young man named Poehrl.

CHOLERA EPIDEMIC IN ASIA.

London, June 26.—A despatch from Mecca states that there were 455 deaths from cholera yesterday.

SILVER MARKET DEMORALIZED

India's Mints Suspend the Coinage of the White Metal.

PRICE LOWER THAN EVER BEFORE

Prediction That the Whole Silver Market Will Be Paralyzed—A Wall Street View.

Associated Press.

London, June 26.—A Telegram's dispatch from Calcutta says the Indian Government has stopped the coinage of silver for private account at the mints.

London, June 26.—In the house of lords Earl Kimberly, secretary of state for India, stated that the Indian council had passed an act for the immediate closing of the Indian mints to the free coinage of silver. He further said it was intended to introduce a gold standard in India, but that gold in the meantime would not be made the sole legal tender.

THE PRICE OF SILVER.

Washington, June 26.—The market price of silver today reached the lowest point in the history of that product. On Saturday the London price, which guides the director of the mint in purchases for the government, was 37 1/2 pence, or about 81.8 in this country. This morning the price in London was 36 pence, or about 78.8 in New York. The cause of the depression is assigned by Mr. Preston, acting director of the mint, as due to the rumor, which is probably true, that India, one of the largest silver consuming countries, is about to close its mints to the white metal.

DISCUSSING THE QUESTION.

Washington, June 16.—The president, Secretary Carlisle, and the financial officers of the government generally received the first authentic news of the startling action of the government in India in suspending silver coinage, from the press dispatches. Carlisle immediately went to the White House, and for nearly two hours discussed the bearings of the action with the president. The conference was renewed at the president's suburban retreat later in the evening, and protracted far into the night. The circumstances are regarded as far too serious to permit of any authentic expression of opinion as to the policy of the United States until all the facts are fully digested. This much, however, can be stated with absolute confidence—that the action of the Indian government is regarded by the United States as doing away with the necessity for convening the international conference which was to meet again in Brussels this fall. It is not believed the action was taken without express orders from the British Government, which had the general supervision and control over Indian affairs.

AN OBNOXIOUS LAW.

Chicago, June 26.—The following telegram was sent to President Cleveland today, signed by thirty-eight of the leading business houses of Chicago. It is understood that several others who did not sign the message will send private telegrams of similar import to favor the message sent to President Cleveland: "Believing that the Sherman silver law is one of the most important factors contributing to the present depressed condition of the national finances, it is our earnest request that the matter be discussed at the cabinet meeting next convening. In our opinion the immediate repeal of this law would do more to restore confidence than any one thing, and believing it to be a question of national importance we beseech your favorable consideration."

APPREHENSION IN DENVER.

Denver, Colo., June 26.—The unprecedented decline in the price of silver today created apprehensions in Colorado. David H. Moffat, the largest mine-owner in the state, said this evening to a representative of the Associated Press: "The situation is exceedingly grave, I wired all my managers to come to Denver at once. Seventy-seven cents for silver mined by men paid \$3 a day means a loss to the mine owner who has not a fabulously rich mine. My idea is to propose to the men in my employ that instead of receiving \$3 they should be satisfied with two-thirds of the sum until silver shall return to a fairly reasonable price. If they do not accept such a proposition I shall be compelled to shut down all my properties."

A WALL STREET OPINION.

New York, June 26.—The cessation of the free coinage of silver by the government of India was a fruitful source of conversation among financiers today. Business was resumed this morning

with generally a feeling of depression growing out of a combination of unfavorable circumstances. Fresh failures from various parts of the country, and the stringency of money were good foundation for the announcement of the stoppage of the India silver mints. A prominent banker who is one of the heaviest silver dealers in Wall street, said to a reporter when the announcement came: "It is a crushing blow to silver. The effect will be paralyzing upon the whole silver market, and I think the settlement of the silver question in this country is now at hand. The mints have been opened for free coinage, and such immense quantities of silver have been presented by private parties, and the circulation of silver has become so great, that the price of the Indian rupee has been declining steadily for months. This thought about the suspension of free coinage."

HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

Disappointment at the Failure of the Annexation Scheme.

Honolulu, June 19.—As each successive steamer from San Francisco arrives at Honolulu bringing no news that Hawaii's affairs will soon be settled by the United States, the disappointment that permeates annexationists and royalists alike becomes keener. Both parties are anxious to have the vital question of stable government decided. The long strain is beginning to tell on both business and society. Blount is much disappointed at not receiving word by the last steamer that his successor had been appointed. The government claims to have authentic information that Mr. Blount, with the exception of a few brief statements, has not yet made a report to the state department at Washington as to the result of his investigations here, and that his report will not be sent on for two weeks.

ANARCHISTS PARDONED.

Springfield, Ill., June 26.—Governor Altgeld today pardoned Felden, Neebe, and Swab, anarchists, serving life sentences in Joliet penitentiary for complicity in the Haymarket riot in Chicago on May 4, 1886, in which a large number of police were killed and wounded, and for which Parsons, Spies and others were hanged and over whose graves a monument was unveiled by Chicago anarchists yesterday. The governor takes the ground that these men did not have a fair trial and that the court was prejudiced.

After reviewing the history of the Haymarket riot, the trial and conviction of the men, the governor says the people who urged executive clemency based their appeal on the ground assuming the prisoners guilty, but that they had been punished enough. But others assert that the jury which tried the case was packed, and that according to law the jurors were not competent and the trial is therefore not legal. It is further claimed that the defendants were not proved guilty of the charges in the indictment, and that the state's attorney declares that there was no case against Neebe; that the trial judge was either so prejudiced or else so determined to win the applause of a certain class that he did not grant a new trial. After reviewing these reasons the governor says: "If the dependants had a fair trial there should be no executive interference in this case." On the first proposition the government shows that the jury was not selected in the usual way, but that men were summoned who were known to be prejudiced against the defendants. On the indictment question the governor says it is not known who threw the bomb. He further shows that the actual bomb-throwing was probably an act of vengeance by some one who had been maltreated by Police Captain Bonfield. The governor also quotes a statement made by the then chief of police, Ebersold, from which it appears that the policy of a number of police officials was to stir up sentiment by largely exaggerating the number and activity of the anarchists. Ebersold is quoted as stating: "I begin to think there was perhaps not so much to the anarchy business as they claimed."

The governor holds from this that most of the so called conspirators were really mere creations of the police officers in search of glory and the reward by subsequently discovering them. As to Neebe's innocence, the governor quotes a letter written by Mayor Harrison, in which it is shown there never was any evidence against him.

NAVAL OFFICER RESIGNS.

Washington, June 26.—Secretary Herbert today accepted the resignation of Past Assistant Engineer I. N. Hollis. Mr. Hollis resigns his position in the navy to accept the position of professor of engineering at Harvard college.

APPOINTMENT BY CARLISLE.

Washington, June 26.—Secretary Carlisle today appointed William M. Gwyn of California shipping commissioner at San Francisco.