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## 150 PERISH IN ICY SEA

### COASTWISE VESSELS COLLIDE OFF BLOCK ISLAND.

### 48 BODIES FLOAT TO THE SHORE

#### But Nineteen of the Two Hundred Persons on Board Steamer Larchmont Escape With Their Lives—Survivors Badly Frozen.

Block Island, R. I., Feb. 13.—About 150 persons went to their death in Block Island sound as a result of a collision between the three-masted schooner Harry Knowlton and the Joy line steamer Larchmont, bound from Providence to New York. It is estimated that, including the crew, there were nearly 200 persons on board the steamer when she sailed from Providence. Of these, only nineteen appear to have survived the disaster, ten members of the crew and nine passengers.

Awakened from their slumbers in their state rooms, the unfortunate passengers were at the mercy of the fates. Many, it is believed, went down with the ship. Others, temporarily thankful that they had escaped drowning, prayed that they might be relieved of the terrible pain caused by their frozen bodies, and one unknown passenger plunged a knife into his throat and ended his sufferings.

The few who survived were in a pitiful condition. In almost every case their arms and legs hung helplessly as they were lifted out of the boat, in which they reached shore. During the day forty-eight bodies came ashore, either in boats or thrown up by the sea. Only six of the forty-eight bodies were identified.

The bodies identified were: Steward James B. Harrison, First Assistant Engineer Jasper Hest, Assistant Engineer Edward Logan, First Watchman Jacob Zandrus, Waiter George Smith, Providence; Harry Eckels, Block Island.

#### Large Passenger List.

The Larchmont left her dock in Providence Monday night with a heavy cargo of freight and a passenger list estimated at from 150 to 200. A strong northwest wind was blowing as the steamer ploughed her way down through the eastern passage of Narragansett bay, but the full effect of the gale which was blowing out in the sound was not felt until the Larchmont rounded Point Judith. Captain George McVey was preparing to retire after a turn around his ship when he was startled by several blasts of the steamer's whistle. He rushed into the pilot house, where the pilot and quartermaster pointed out a three-masted schooner sailing eastward before a strong wind.

The schooner, which proved to be the Harry Knowlton, coal laden, from South Amboy for Boston, had been bowling along on her course, when she seemed suddenly to luff up and head straight for the steamer. Again several blasts were sounded on the steamer's whistle, the pilot and the quartermaster at the same moment whirling their wheel hard about in a mad endeavor to avert a collision.

But as the Larchmont was slowly veering around, the schooner came on with a speed that almost seemed to equal the gale that had been pushing her towards Boston. Before another warning could be sounded, the schooner crashed into the port side of the Larchmont and the impact of the big vessel was so terrific that the bow of the sailing craft forced its way more than half through the breadth of the Larchmont. When the force of the impact had been spent the schooner temporarily remained fast in the steamer's side, holding in check for a moment the in-rushing water. The pounding seas soon separated the vessels, and the water rushed into the hole in the steamer with tremendous force. As the water struck the boiler room great clouds of steam arose and the passengers were first under the impression that a fire had broken out on board. Captain McVey could not communicate with his subordinate officers below deck, the signal apparatus being wrecked.

#### Passengers Scantily Clothed.

The passengers, meanwhile, rushed to the deck. Few of them had waited to clothe themselves. The intense cold made them want to obtain their clothing, but they found it impossible to return below and do so. Their rooms were flooded soon after they had been deserted, and the steamer, foundering around in the high seas, was sinking with a rapidity that sent

terror to the hearts of the officers.

While some of the seamen held back the frantic passengers by brute strength, others were preparing to lower the life boats and rafts. Even before the boats were cut away Captain McVey knew that the list of victims would be greater than those who survived. It was a physical impossibility for any except the most hardened to withstand the cold, which turned ears and noses white with the frost and which so benumbed feet that both the passengers and members of the crew stumbled rather than walked to the small craft in which they were to leave the sinking ship.

Scrieks of pain drowned the roar of the in-rushing water. Despite the existing pandemonium, the women passengers were placed in lifeboats, the male passengers and the crew selecting the unprotected rafts as their places of refuge.

Captain McVey ordered all lifeboats and rafts cut away and set his own boat adrift just as the vessel became submerged.

## BAILEY FURNISHES CLIMAX

### Texas Senator in Inquiry Declares "All This Prattle is a Lie."

Austin, Tex., Feb. 13.—Declaring "all this prattle is a lie," and urging that the committee interpose and stop these insults offered, United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey brought to a climax an exciting session of the legislative committee investigating charges against Bailey, filed by Representative Coker.

This was in reply to Representative Coker's request that additional witnesses be summoned, by which he hoped to prove that Senator Bailey had borrowed \$7,000 of J. D. Suggs of Iron county.

When it was suggested that the committee leave at once for St. Louis, where additional testimony is to be taken, Senator Bailey protested that he should not be compelled to go over the country as the principal in an investigation of this nature.

The question of the hour to which the committee should adjourn coming up, Mr. Bailey said:

"Mr. Chairman: I have received three telegrams from senators in the last three days insisting on my return to Washington. I understand the Dominican treaty is coming up, when every vote is needed. I have not cared to inflict my worries on the committee, but my wife has been ill in Washington for some time and it looks like an infamous delay to keep me here from day to day while the investigation is permitted to drag along. I do not wish to appear to be discourteous, but unless more haste is made I shall take my hat and leave. Four witnesses only have been heard since Wednesday and the committee is making no haste as far as is apparent."

## BINGER HERMANN ON TRIAL

### Charged With Conspiracy to Defraud the Government.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The trial of Representative Binger Hermann of Oregon, who was indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government while commissioner of the general land office, was begun in the criminal court of the District of Columbia. The specific charge against Mr. Hermann is that while commissioner of the land office he destroyed certain letter press copy records in his office. The defendant will be represented by his son-in-law, Prescott Gattley, and A. S. Worthington. The government's side of the case will be looked after by District Attorney Baker and Assistant District Attorney Atkins. The panel was exhausted in an effort to secure a jury and a special panel was summoned.

#### Adams Trial in Idaho.

Wallace, Ida., Feb. 13.—The second day of the Steve Adams murder trial ended without a jury being secured. When the first panel was exhausted, the defense demanded that the names of a new panel be drawn from the box, and opposed the drawing by any one connected with the sheriff's office.

#### Two-Cent Fare Bill Passes Iowa House

Des Moines, Feb. 13.—Iowa's 2-cent fare measure passed the house by a vote of 106 to 9. The publication clause was stricken out so that if it passes the senate in a similar manner the measure will become a law July 4. Cheers greeted the passage of the measure in the house.

#### Shortage of \$150,000.

New Britain, Conn., Feb. 13.—A high officer of the Savings Bank of New Britain states that there is a big shortage in the accounts of William F. Walker, the missing treasurer of the bank, and that the bank's own officers up to noon had discovered a shortage of \$150,000.

#### Vegetable Packers at Buffalo.

Buffalo, Feb. 13.—The national convention of fruit and vegetable packers and allied associations met here. Mayor Adam delivered an address of welcome. About 1,000 delegates have arrived and nearly as many more are expected.

## JEROME AND DELMAS TILT

### WORDY DUEL OF LAWYERS IN THAW TRIAL.

### BASIS FOR INSANITY PLEA

#### Alienist Evans Says Prisoner Was Irresponsible When He Killed White. Answers Hypothetical Question Put by Lawyer Delmas.

New York, Feb. 13.—District Attorney Jerome and Delphin M. Delmas came together in the first serious clash between counsel in the Harry Thaw trial. The California attorney, who is directing the defense, took exceptions to certain statements of the prosecuting officer and had inserted in the record of the case a protest against "The misconduct of the learned district attorney."

Mr. Jerome hotly accused Mr. Delmas of trying to instill into the minds of the jury the implied suggestion that the operation performed on Evelyn Nesbit in 1903, before Thaw took her to Europe, was of a criminal nature, when, "as a matter of fact," he said, "it was for appendicitis."

Mr. Delmas called the attention of Justice Fitzgerald to this, saying that the district attorney was stating facts not in evidence, and that a very serious exception must be taken to his remarks.

"Send the jury out of the room if you want to," exclaimed Mr. Jerome, "but I am going to get this thing straight. I am not going to have these false impressions fostered before this jury."

#### Declares Thaw Was Insane.

Dr. Britton D. Evans, superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Morris Plains, N. J., was testifying at the time of the disagreement. He had declared he was of the opinion that Harry Thaw was insane at the time of the tragedy.

He had been called upon to answer a long hypothetical question, in which reference had been made to a "serious, if not capital, operation" on Miss Nesbit when the storm broke.

Mr. Jerome seemed thoroughly wrought up. Mr. Delmas did not for an instant lose his calm demeanor, but he gave emphasis and force to his words, new to his hearers. Mr. Jerome said he would withdraw objection to the term "capital operation," if Mr. Delmas would give him the word of counsel that they did not know the nature of the operation. Mr. Delmas gave his word that he did not know of its nature. "But you may consult with counsel," said Jerome.

"I do not care to do that," replied Mr. Delmas. "It is not essential."

"Ah," cried the district attorney in a loud voice, "then you do want to make this insinuation?"

"The district attorney strangely forgets his character and position when he charges me with an attempt to deceive," reiterated Mr. Delmas, with more feeling in his voice than at any time during the trial. "He must, upon deliberation, see the injustice of his implied discourtesy."

"I see injustice plainly," reiterated Mr. Jerome, "but not in my remarks." Justice Fitzgerald did not rule out any of the district attorney's remarks before the jury and Mr. Delmas took care to have every exception he made "seriously noted."

#### Jerome Wins His Point.

Mr. Jerome won his point and the words "serious if not capital," as defining the operation, were withdrawn. During the tilt Mr. Delmas asked the district attorney how he learned of the character of the operation on Miss Nesbit without a violation of confidence. Mr. Jerome said he had been told of it by Miss Nesbit's mother, Mrs. Holman of Pittsburg. It thus became known for the first time that the district attorney is in possession of a long statement by her.

Dr. Evans was by far the most satisfactory expert witness to the defense so far produced. He detailed to the jury his observations and examinations of Harry Thaw during eight visits to the Tombs and declared it to be his opinion that Thaw was "suffering from a brain storm, or explosive or fulminating condition of mental unsoundness" at the time he shot and killed Stanford White. Dr. Evans declared that the mental explosion which induced Thaw to kill White had left its traces on the defendant when he visited him. He said Thaw exhibited symptoms of paranoia and adolescent insanity. The first was indicated by his exaltation, his "exaggerated ego"—the idea of his supreme importance. The adolescent insanity was due to heredity and is characteristic to the development period of life—from ten to forty years. His mind, Dr. Evans said, had slipped its moorings and was like a ship without a rudder. Ordeal of stress had added their work to the psychopathic taint which came from heredity. Dr. Evans said that after his first three visits to Thaw following the tragedy he was convinced that the man was of unsound mind. As the result of his last visits he found that while still suffering from a somewhat exaggerated opinion

of self-importance, he was much improved. The improvement was progressive. This testimony was brought out in line with the contention of the defense that while Thaw was insane prior to and at the time and immediately subsequent to the homicide, he has improved to a sound condition of mentality on the removal of the cause of stress.

It may be that Mr. Delmas may recall Mrs. Thaw. The defense has other alienists, however, who may be called to testify.

## ORDER COMES TOO LATE

### Cortelyou Turns Matter of Thaw Testimony Over to Attorney General.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Postmaster General Cortelyou made a statement about the president's inquiry as to whether it was feasible to bar from the mails newspapers printing the "disgusting particulars" of the Thaw trial. He said he had turned the matter over to the attorney general and will discuss the matter later with him. It is practically admitted that it is too late to do anything that can have a bearing on the publication of the Thaw trial. The difficulty of making any fixed regulation is also recognized.

### Gets Evidence in Macklin Case.

Oklahoma City, Feb. 13.—John Abernathy, United States marshal, was in the city gathering additional evidence to be used in connection with the mysterious shooting of Captain Edgar Macklin at Fort Reno several weeks ago. He stated that evidence of a startling nature was now being obtained. Abernathy has just returned from Colorado, where he had a conference with Zima Andrews, who is accused of having some knowledge of the shooting, and Abernathy has arranged for extradition papers and will bring Andrews back to Oklahoma.

### Judge Boyd Quits Office.

Lincoln, Feb. 7.—Judge Boyd, who was elected to congress from the Third district last fall, filed his resignation as district judge with Governor Sheldon.

### STOCK SUFFERS SEVERELY

#### Cattlemen in Northwest Nebraska Lose Heavily.

Lincoln, Feb. 7.—Cattlemen from the sandhill country of northwest Nebraska, where live stock is the chief industry, say that heavy losses have been sustained because of the long-continued severe weather. Beginning as early as October, it was necessary to feed hay, the ranges being covered. A little later a heavy sleet storm covered the range grass, and with the snow that followed, all kinds of stock have suffered severely from cold and hunger.

### NEBRASKA TWO-CENT FARE BILL

#### Measure Fixing Passenger Rates Introduced in House.

Lincoln, Feb. 7.—In the house a bill was introduced providing a 2-cent fare on railways for persons over twelve years and 1 cent under that age, with a 5-cent minimum fare and 200 pounds limitation of baggage.

The house disposed of anti-Christian Science legislation by killing two bills which made it illegal to practice Christian Science healing in the absence of a regular physician's license. A similar senate bill had already been indefinitely postponed.

### SUES SHELDON FOR HOUSE RENT

#### Attorney General Thompson Begins Suit at Governor's Request.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—Attorney General Thompson began suit in the supreme court against Governor Sheldon to collect, in behalf of the state of Nebraska, \$100 house rent for use of the executive mansion for the month of January. The suit is begun at Governor Sheldon's request to settle the question of the validity of a law passed fourteen years ago providing an official residence for the governor. The law is seemingly in violation of the constitution, which says the governor shall accept no emoluments other than his salary. Four preceding governors have occupied the mansion without the question being raised.

#### Dig From a Friend.

"How old is your husband, dear?"  
"Forty. There's ten years' difference between us."  
"You surprise me! I should never have thought you fifty years old."  
—Figaro.

It is seldom that punishment, though lame of foot, has failed to overtake a villain.—Horace.

#### Good For Evil.

There are some people who turn gray, but do not grow hoary; whose faces are furrowed, but not wrinkled; whose hearts are sorely wounded in many places, but are not dead. There is a youth that bids defiance to old age, and there is a kindness which laughs at the world's usage. These are they who have returned good for evil. Whom the gods love die young, and they die young because they never grow old.—Selected.

## Bad Breath.

A well-known physician, who undoubtedly knows, declares that bad breath has broken off more matches than bad temper.

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