

New York, March 21.—Just before dawn Thursday morning the United States receiving ship Vermont, lying off Cob dock at the Brooklyn navy yard was run into by an unknown steamer, ocean-bound. The Vermont at this writing is full of water and it is feared that she will sink. The crash tore a hole twelve feet square in her bow. The colliding steamer rebounded and again crashed into the Vermont and tore her side along the water mark, ripping her open. There was a lively panic on board. The sailors were sent spinning from their hammocks and the officers from their bunks. Nobody was injured, but much of the interior furniture was damaged. The unknown steamer veered around and made with all possible speed for the lower bay. As soon as the marines got their senses together the first launch at hand was started out in pursuit, with the sailors armed for duty. The steamer had the start of twenty minutes, and up to this writing nothing has been heard of either her or the launch. When the collision occurred the steamer was hailed by the sailors of the Vermont, but the crew of the vessel refused to disclose her name.

Senators' Hearings. SACRAMENTO, CAL., March 21.—The California senatorship contest ended in the election of Charles N. Felton of San Mateo. At the conclusion of the roll call on the first ballot in the joint convention Estee had received 40 votes, Felton 40, Johnson 4, Perkins 1 and Blanchard 1. Four democrats voted for State Senator Heacock of Santa Barbara, a republican, and he also received one republican vote, while the remaining twenty-four democrats voted for White. Before the ballot was announced a number of Estee's followers and all of Blanchard's and Johnson's the electing vote went to Felton, which portended his certain election. This was followed by an almost entire change of the republican votes in Felton's favor. The four democrats voting for Heacock changed to White and the result of the ballot announced was as follows: Estee 15, Felton 73, Johnson 1, Heacock 1, White 28.

Token of Approval. SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 21.—The Modoc democratic tariff reform club of Keokuk, Ia., has sent Moore and Cockrell each a silver medal as an expression of approval of their vote for John M. Palmer.

Accompanying the medals was a letter for each gentleman from the club, saying they were presented as a token of the esteem in which Moore and Cockrell are held by that organization. The recipients prize them very highly.

Preparations on a grand scale for the Palmer ratification next Wednesday are being made. Governor Winans of Michigan cannot be present because of pressure of affairs of state. Governor Boyd of Nebraska says that as there is a controversy over his right to the seat he thinks it would be unwise to leave the state just now lest some other contestant jump his claim.

Exportation of Gold. NEW YORK, March 21.—Director of the Mint Leech was at the assay office and had a long consultation with Superintendent Mason, but nothing could be obtained in regard to the subject of the conference or whether it would result in any further attempt to prevent gold exports. After leaving Superintendent Mason, Judge Leech had an informal conference with several bank officials in regard to the refusal to sell gold bars for export. Some of the bankers are understood to have approved the action, but others who were in favor with Secretary Window condemn it. It is generally believed that a large amount of gold coin will be shipped today.

Will Resign his Seat in Parliament. LONDON, March 21.—It was stated in the lobby of the commons that Parsell had decided to resign his seat in parliament in accordance with his challenge to Healey.

The Entire Fleet Under Water. SABLE STE. MARIE, MICH., March 21.—The coffer dam at the canal gave way last night, and Collins & Farwell's entire plant is under water. The work on the new lock will be delayed about six weeks, as the lock-pit is filling up with water.

A Dead Napoleon. ROME, March 21.—The body of Prince Napoleon was this morning conveyed to the church of Santa Maria del Popolo, where absolution was pronounced. It was then taken to Turin.

Restored to Liberty. LONDON, March 21.—The court of appeal has decided that the abducted wife, Mrs. Jackson, should be restored to full liberty and should be allowed to choose her own residence.

Government.—"I never in my life saw a girl so wild, cunning, crafty, and unaccountable as you are."

Edible Oil.—"I don't take after my daughter."—New York Weekly.

The Sinking of the Utopia.

British War-ship Anson Causing Trouble.

The Boats of the Rescuers Could not Withstand the Wreck.

880 SOULS ON BOARD.

GIBRALTER, March 20.—It is now believed that about six hundred persons were drowned in the sinking of the Utopia. Several bodies have been washed up on the Spanish shore.

A later account of the disaster attributes it to the fact that the British war-ship Anson was drifting before the gale and rammed the Utopia about the funnel. The Utopia was impaled on the spur of the Anson's ram and almost immediately sank.

Everything possible was done by the officers and seamen. Four seamen were washed overboard and drowned from one of the warship's steam launches while taking part in the rescue.

The scene after the collision was frightful. On one side of the sinking steamship were crowded the 700 immigrants shrieking with terror. At the right and left of the sinking vessel were the monster battle ships Rodney and Anson pouring the light of their powerful reflectors upon the disabled steamship. Here and there were the warships, small boats, manned by blue-jackets, who strained every nerve as they bent to the oars in the heavy sea, striving gallantly to reach the drowning passengers.

The rescued passengers estimated to number about two hundred, more possibly, were cared for on warships or taken ashore and housed in government buildings.

The officers and crew of H. M. S. Anson state that the Utopia fouled with the ram of the Anson and thus caused the damage which resulted in the passenger steamer sinking within a few minutes after being struck. The Anson's officers assert that no blame can be attached to the war vessel.

The official report of the number of persons on board the Utopia showed that when she left Naples the steamship had 880 souls on board, including passengers and crew. Of this number only 311 had been saved. Thus 569 of her passengers are either drowned or missing.

The Anson's boats were lowered immediately after the collision, as were also boats from other vessels of the British channel squadron, the Swedish man-of-war Freya and the ship Amber and the ironclads turned their powerful electric search lights on the scene of the disaster to assist the rescuers.

On shore the news of the disaster spread quickly. An enormous crowd soon gathered on the parade and great excitement prevailed. The sea was so heavy that the boats of the rescuers could not approach the wreck with safety, so they were compelled to lie leeward and pick up the people as they swept from the wreck. As the Utopia's bows settled a terrible scene was witnessed from the boats. Those still on board the sinking ship made a sudden rush on merrae to the fore rigging, struggling for their lives and vainly seeking places of refuge. Twenty minutes later the forecastle was submerged, and the large number of persons gathered there, who had not dared to leap overboard with hope of being picked up by the boats and who failed in their efforts to ascend the rigging, were carried away by the waves. A steam pinnace rescued all the others who had taken refuge in the main rigging, but the last ones were not taken off until 11 o'clock at night.

While the steam pinnace belonging to the British ironclad Immortalite was engaged in the work of rescue her screw fouled and she drifted on the rocks. Two of the sailors were drowned. The remainder were rescued.

The total number of lives lost is now placed at 576.

Officers of the Utopia, in talking about the catastrophe, say they will never forget the scene that followed the collision. The Italians were thrown into a state of complete and cowardly panic. They yelled frantically and fought madly to reach the forecastle. A few of the married men brought their wives with them, but the majority of the Italians acted more like beasts than men. The forecastle and rigging were soon crowded and the vessel began to settle down. Presently an explosion with deafening report occurred in the forecastle, killing many and throwing others into the sea. Luckily, the masts held and remained some yards above water as the vessel touched the bottom. From forty to fifty persons were rescued from the masts.

Among the acts of valor at the height of the gale was that of the Irish middy, who was put off alone in a dingy for the purpose of rendering assistance to persons clinging to the wreck. Another hero was a seaman on the ironclad Rodney, who boldly plunged into the sea, and after a desperate struggle succeeded in rescuing one of the women floating on the water.

Divers who went down report that there are hundreds of bodies in the storage and between decks. Many bodies have come ashore.

A deaf old lady rising in an electric car became much alarmed because of a blockade, and asked a young woman next to her what had happened.

"There is no danger," replied the young woman. "Remember that a kind heaven bends over all."

The old lady turned to her companion and inquired in a vexed tone, "Mary Ellen, what's that young woman saying to me about men's overalls?"—Youth's Companion.

Accommodating Widows.

SCOTTSDALE, Pa., March 19.—The Mammoth mine disaster of two months ago, in which 110 men perished, widowed fifty women. District Master Workman Peter Wise, of the United mine workers, at once offered to receive applications from men who desired wives. Ever since then he has been overwhelmed with letters, not only from men but from women in other parts of the country who want husbands. Every day brings a batch of letters from as far west as Washington, David Brewer of Madison, Neb., who wrote for a widow has been answered by two—Mrs. Florence Parrington of West Virginia, and Mrs. Annie Boyd of Mineral Point, Pa., Peter Delphia a veteran soldier of Lincoln, fifty years old, writes that he wants a good woman to make him a "charming wife," and holds out the allotment of a small farm and a monthly pension of \$12. Mr. Wise thinks he has made several matches already. He says his mail has become so heavy that he thinks of establishing a matrimonial agency to be conducted for the benefit of the coke strikers' fund.

Must Get the Coin.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Superintendent Mason of the assay office received notice from the director of the mint that \$1,000,000 in gold bars ordered by two firms would not be allowed to be taken for export. This is the first time for eight years the government has refused to allow gold bars to be taken for export. Three years ago the assay office had \$90,000,000 in gold bars behind its counters, but the steady drain for the last two years has reduced the stock to \$18,000,000 and the prospect for further depletion was plainly apparent. If the firms desire to ship gold they will have to draw gold from the sub treasury.

Why do They Weep.

LONDON, March 19.—The St. James-Gazette says it is very curious to find the people of Italy lamenting the death of the Mafia conspirators at New Orleans. They were wretches who had been driven out of their own country as pests of society. The grief of the Marquis di Rudini for the men who were lynched would not be very long or very profound. If the Mafias had not emigrated they would have received an equally short shrift from Sottolan vigilantes.

A Grand Ratification.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 19.—The democrats are preparing to make the Palmer ratification meeting here next week the largest meeting ever held in the city. Governors Francis of Missouri, Boies of Iowa, Winans of Michigan, Cambell of Ohio, Peck of Wisconsin and Boyd of Nebraska are to be present and deliver addresses.

Another Tascott.

CHICAGO, March 19.—States Attorney Longenecker is confident that the man under arrest of Aberdeen, S. D., is really Tascott, the murderer of millionaire Soell, as portraits of him have been identified. The man is known in this city as Tascott.

Gone With the Cash.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—G. Wharton Ritchie, receiving teller of the commonwealth National bank, has been missing since the middle of last month. About \$8,000 of the bank's funds have disappeared.

Killed the Marshall.

LYNNVILLE, TENN., March 19.—Town Marshal James Helmick was shot and killed by Turner Alexander, whom he attempted to arrest last night.

Mine Explosion.

ASHLAND, Pa., March 19.—A terrific mine explosion occurred near here yesterday. Two men were blown to atoms, another fatally injured and others seriously hurt.

Killed by the Cars.

ROANOKE, VA., March 19.—Lulu and Leir C. were killed by a train while walking on the railroad track.

A Family Matter.

Proud Dame—"I do not see how you could think of marrying into such a commonplace family as that."

Romantic Daughter—"Oh, I'm not going to marry into his family, he's going to marry into our family."—New York Weekly.

Ram's Horn: As a rule women have poor memories, but they never forget the people who say nice things about their bonnets.

Washington Post: The man who knows when to lay down his hand in a poker game is passing clever.

Lowell Courier: Ladies can defend the wearing of corsets on economic grounds—there is less waist.

Utica Observer: The man who pays his rent has to hustle, and the man who does not has to keep moving.

Banker Morgan's Cigar.

J. Pierpont Morgan smokes a very strong cigar, the Carolina, for which he pays fifteen cents each. Mr. Morgan smokes continually in his office, and always has a box near at hand which he offers to visitors. When Mr. Morgan does not feel like lighting a cigar he places it between his teeth and enjoys what is known as a dry smoke. He probably smokes half a dozen cigars daily in this way.—New York World.

Making an Investigation.

NEW ORLEANS, March 18.—Things have quieted down here now. The telegram from Secretary Blaine was sent direct to Governor Nichols and referred by him to Attorney General Ragen. The attorney general is making an investigation of Saturday's proceedings. The prison officials say they recognized some of the persons on the inside of the prison, and their names are understood to have been forwarded to the attorney general. Some indictments may follow as a formality, but so great was the number concerned in the killing that it will be impossible to arraign them all or to secure conviction in case they should be arrested. The Italian consul says a full report of the proceedings has been transmitted to the legation at Washington and all further action will be taken at Washington.

Found Him Guilty.

CLEVELAND, O., March 18.—The Episcopal church which tried Rev. Howard McQueary on the charge of heresy, today found him guilty—3 to 2. On the question of punishment Rev. Gallagher voted to let him go scot free. Mr. Aves thought he should be suspended, while Morgan and Putnam voted for expulsion. The verdict means that McQueary will leave the church. The opinion of the court has not yet been made public. McQueary is pastor of the Episcopal church at Canton. The cause of his arraignment for heresy was a book he wrote, in which he denied the immaculate conception and physical resurrection of Christ. He held, in brief, that God's spirit entered Christ and made him a perfect man, and that when he arose from the dead it was spiritual, not physical resurrection.

A Costly Tea Service.

LONDON, March 19.—Thirty thousand dollars is the price of the pretty novelty in the shape of a tea service which is now being manufactured for the princeling of Wales by John Mortlock & Co. It was designed by the princess herself and is being manufactured under her personal superintendence. The design is after an old wedgwood plate, the border being etched in graduated lines of orange. The service consists of sixty-three pieces, and on each one is a photograph taken by her royal highness in Scotland and printed by herself from her own negatives. The views are small but at the same time are exquisitely soft and distinct.

He May Win Her Yet.

LONDON, March 18.—The court of queens bench sitting at Clitheroe, has refused to grant the writ of habeas corpus petitioned for by the relatives of Mrs. Jackson, who was forcibly carried away by her husband a week ago last Sunday. The court says there is no evidence of cruelty committed by the husband, and it is consequently unable to interfere. A friend of Mrs. Jackson has had an interview with her at Blackburn, and says she seemed to be cheerful and contented, although unaccompanied with her abductor, who while restraining her of her liberty, has treated her with studied politeness and respect.

Italy's Excel ed.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—During the first excitement among Italian residents of the United States Baron Fava yesterday sent to the Italian consul general at New York the following telegram: "I learn from the papers that excitement is prevailing in the Italian colony on account of the New Orleans events. I have resort to your influence and authority to urge upon the Italians in New York that they should, by dignified, calm and strictly legal behavior, show themselves in these circumstances worthy of a civilized country." It is understood that similar instructions were sent to all other Italian consuls in the United States.

Excitement Increasing.

CHICAGO, March 18.—The excitement aroused by the New Orleans incident seems to increase in the Italian quarter in this city. The committee appointed has decided to call a mass meeting to demand financial reparation and that the ringleaders of the mob be tried for the crime. A local Italian paper devoted much space to a bitter editorial denouncing the lynchers and calling for retribution. Among other things it says: "A curse upon the people of Louisiana, and may they and their descendants suffer a thousand times feel the sorrow that today afflicts the widowed wives, sisters and children."

Will be of Short Duration.

LONDON, March 18.—The trial of the occult case will probably be of short duration. It is stated that acting in consequence of the wish of the prince of Wales there will be no cross-examination and no attempt to prove the allegations. An ample apology will be tendered in court and the jury will simply see as damages which Sir William Gordon Cumming sees fit to accept.

Cases for Lechia.

Meek Stranger—"Can you change a \$30 bill?" Clothing Dealer (snappishly)—"No; I can't change no twenty-dollar bill." Meek Stranger (hastily leaving)—"I'm sorry, because I wanted to buy one of those \$18 overcoats." Clothing Dealer (after reflection)—"Shakey, main son, come here. Your old fader is no good any more. You take charge. I go lay me down to die."

Perished in the Flare.

NEW YORK, March 21.—A brick tenement burned yesterday morning and three members of the Jarter family perished in the flames. A number of other occupants of the building were badly burned and injured. The pecuniary loss is small.

The fire broke out at 3:15, when every member of the ten families in the building was fast asleep. Before the flames had enveloped the house from top to bottom the tenants, Heurew tailors, with their families swarmed down the fire escape on both sides of the building. When the firemen entered it was reported that ten people were missing, but the bodies of only three could be found. The police believe the place was burned by incendiaries.

Another boy was recovered this evening, that of Phillip Echeiskya a tailor. The firm is well insured. When the fire broke out there were in the work about 500 operators, mostly girls, and a great panic ensued. All escaped without injury, however.

Growing On of the Italian Case.

NEW ORLEANS, March 21.—There was a sensational and fatal shooting last night, growing out of the Italian case. Frank Waters, a newspaper reporter, who was intoxicated, was abusing the citizens' committee and those connected with the Hennessy case, when Captain Arthur Dunn, one of the counsel for the state, came by. Waters shouted at him, "There is one of them, now. Why don't he take it up?" Dunn advanced toward Waters, who drew a pistol and began firing. Dunn quickly drew his. Waters fired six shots and Dunn five. Waters fell dead with one bullet through his face and another through his head. Dunn was shot twice on the right breast and abdomen. He is believed to be mortally wounded. The men have for a long time been political enemies. Dunn has for many years been a leading politician.

For The Exposition.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Lieutenant Lenley of the United States army, special commissioner to the republic of Columbia in the interest of the world's Columbian exposition, reports that he has secured for the exhibition a most remarkable collection of antiquities, which has been gathered by a famous collector of that country during investigations for the last thirty-five or forty years. The collection includes many articles of gold and silver. The whole collection is estimated to be worth \$125,000. Included in the collection are a number of very curiously hand worked gold articles, found when some weeks ago two ancient towns of the Guaca Indians were unearthed.

A Frightful Accident.

GEORGETOWN, CAL., March 20.—A frightful accident occurred yesterday morning nearly opposite the famous Bridal Veil falls, above Georgetown. A party of sixteen young people engaged a team and bandwagon to bring them home from St. Patrick's ball at Silver Plume. At the point named the team became unmanageable and turned the party down the mountain side upon the rocks below. Those that escaped injury from the fall suffered from the kicks and plunges of the horses, so that but one of the sixteen escaped injury. It is feared that several of them will die.

Opera House a Jolted in Ruin.

JOLIET, ILL., March 20.—Fire broke out in the opera house yesterday morning about 8 o'clock, causing the loss of the structure and the stocks of the various firms occupying it. The losses are as follows: Opera house building and fixtures \$50,000, insurance \$25,000; Hayes & Co. \$6,000, insurance \$4,000; Jackson furniture company, \$8,000, insurance \$1,000. Three lodges in the third story lost all their fixtures and paraphernalia and the elegant apartment of the Union club is a total loss. Great indignation is expressed against the management of the city fire department.

Foot Play.

CHICAGO, March 20.—The Lever, the organ of the temperance people in Chicago, in its issue of this week claims that Thomas L. Taggart of Lyons, Ia., came to his death by foul play at the hands of saloon men. He was watchman of the foundry of Taylor Bros., and March 9 the place was destroyed by fire, Taggart perishing in the flames. He was the prohibition candidate for congress in that district last fall, and it is claimed that he incurred the enmity of the liquor men. The Lever has a dispatch from State Chairman Cook of Iowa saying the dead body of the watchman had a bullet hole in it.

Delivered a Eulogy.

ROME, March 20.—In the chamber of deputies the president delivered a eulogy on Prince Napoleon, moved that an address of condolence be sent to the relatives and a committee appointed to attend the funeral. This action was taken and the senate adopted similar resolutions.

The Hair Should Not Be Wet.

Promiscuous washing and frequent wetting of the hair is very detrimental, especially sea bathing, unless the salt water should be carefully washed out of the hair with fresh, soft water and the hair carefully dried. Keeping the hair damp has an especially injurious effect, not only rendering it brittle and rough, but causing a disagreeable odor which is annoying to every one, and which can be easily prevented. Exchange.

NEBRASKA STATE

The Methodist of

Webster county will

A hog with six feet

Stanton wants a mill

Two wildcats were

The walls of the Norfolk

W. W. Taylor's barn

Charges have been

The Custer county

The Gandy Pioneer

Hauenstine, the

He had done himself

Mrs. J. C. Parrish,

The farmers of this

A cheese factory is

An anti-horse

There are nineteen

The Norfolk mill

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He was his residence

The Tecumseh

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Nels Jensen, a

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