

DROWNED WHILE THEY SLEPT

Two Steamers on Long Island Met in a Fog and Six of the Plymouth's Crew Met Death.

New London, Conn., March 21.—In the fog which descended upon the waters of Long Island sound last night the big Fall River passenger steamer, Plymouth, from New York for Fall River with 500 passengers and a crew of 200 men, was run down while passing through the Race by the freight steamer, City of Taunton, of the same line, bound from New York. A full 100 feet of the starboard side of the vessel was smashed in as if it had been paper, the state rooms of the second cabin were entirely cut away while down in the hold members of the crew who were asleep in the steerage were drowned by the torrent that poured through the great gap made by the bow of the freighter. Although greatly terrified the people aboard the stricken ship exercised great self-control and there was no panic.

PACKERS HEAVILY FINED.

Missouri Supreme Court Declares a Combine Existed and Assesses Each of Five Companies \$5,000.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 21.—The Armour, Cudahy, Swift, Hammond and the Schwarschild & Sulzberger packing companies, the five defendants in the oyster proceedings brought by the attorney general of Missouri against the alleged beef combine last summer, were fined \$5,000 each in the Missouri supreme court to-day and ordered to pay the costs of the case, which amount to \$5,000. Unless the fines and costs are paid within 30 days, the defendants will be ousted from the state, so the court orders.

Cast Discredit on Funston.

Boston, March 21.—Two meetings of citizens were held in Faneuil hall yesterday "to protest against the suppression of truth about the Philippines and praying for further official inquiry into conditions there." Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia, told the story of the death of Father Augustine in the Philippines and Lieut. Hall, of Col. Funston's Kansas regiment, cast discredit upon the story of Col. Funston's heroic action in swimming across a river under fire, by stating that to his knowledge the colonel could not swim.

Palma's Son Secretly Wed.

New York, March 21.—Jose Estrada Palma, son of Thomas Estrada Palma, president of the Cuban republic, and Miss Mabel Jacobs, a student at the Normal college, and daughter of David B. Jacobs, a wealthy tobacco importer, were privately married here on February 11. Young Palma is a student at Columbia university.

Two Men Awed Six.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 21.—Two masked men robbed the Chicago Great Western saloon of \$230 Thursday night. Five men were in the saloon and were driven with the bartender into a rear room, where they were compelled to lie with their faces downward while the place was robbed.

Platform Democrats Uneasy.

Washington, March 21.—Democrats who formed the organizations of 1896 and 1900 have become convinced that a movement is on foot to force the adoption of a platform and the nomination of a candidate acceptable to the faction of the party which followed Palmer and Buckner.

Young Girl Feared Arrest.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 21.—Miss Laura Jeffrey, 17 years old, fearing indictment at the hands of the grand jury for an attack made upon her step-mother some time ago with a butcher knife, drank two ounces of carbolic acid and died before medical aid could be summoned.

Lightning Stopped Card Game.

Baraboo, Wis., March 21.—At Delton while six old soldiers were playing a game of cards in the G. A. R. hall, the structure was struck by lightning and badly wrecked. The oil cloth on the card table was torn to shreds and the men knocked to the floor.

Would Make Combining a Misdemeanor.

Albany, N. Y., March 21.—The assembly committee on insurance has decided to report favorably the bill providing that fire insurance companies that combine to regulate rates shall forfeit their charters and be liable for punishment for a misdemeanor.

Again Named the Negro.

Washington, March 21.—The president Friday reappointed Dr. W. D. Crum, colored, collector of customs at Charleston, S. C. This nomination failed of confirmation at the recent session of the senate.

Bryan Does Not Like Gorman.

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—W. J. Bryan regrets the selection of Senator Gorman as democratic leader, pronouncing it the most important victory thus far scored by what he calls the reactionary element in the party.

CUBAN TREATY RATIFIED.

Only Sixteen Votes Against the Measure—Senator Burton Secured an Important Amendment.

Washington, March 20.—The Cuban treaty was ratified by the senate. The vote was 50 to 16. Those voting no were: Bailey, Bard, Bate, Berry, Carmack, Clark (Mont.), Daniel, Foster (La.), McEnery, Malloy, Martin, Money, Morgan, Newlands, Pettus, Taliaferro, all democrats.

The first vote of the senate in connection with the Cuban treaty was taken on the committee amendment providing against any further reduction on sugar for five years. The amendment was adopted.

Senator Burton (Kan.) offered an amendment giving corn, cornmeal and wheat flour the benefit of the 60 per cent. reduction on American goods imported into Cuba. All the committee amendments were adopted, including the Burton amendment for flour, corn and cornmeal, but the last named was compromised so as to place these articles in the 30 per cent. list. There was but one roll call and on that the result was announced to be 44 to 22.

Senators Allison and Cockrell waited on the president shortly after four o'clock and notified him that the senate was ready to adjourn sine die unless he had some further communication to make. The president expressed his gratification at the early ratification of the two treaties, the business for which the senate was called into extra session, and requested the committee to notify the senate of his gratification and good wishes for the members.

The senate adjourned sine die shortly after four o'clock p. m.

LAVISHLY ENTERTAINED.

Citizens of Porto Rico Pay Marked Attention to the President's Daughter—Visit to Plantations.

San Juan, P. R., March 20.—Miss Alice Roosevelt landed here at 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning from the steamer, from New York, March 14. She was met by Gov. Hunt and his family and was driven to the palace, where she afterwards held an informal reception. Miss Roosevelt will receive the citizens' committee in public Friday and will attend the citizens' reception at the theater in the evening, when there will be a display of fireworks and a demonstration in her honor. Many invitations have been issued by the governor for an entertainment on Saturday. On Wednesday next Miss Roosevelt will leave San Juan on an inland trip, during which she will visit the principal plantations and cities. The inhabitants of Ponce have made extensive preparations to receive Miss Roosevelt, several thousand dollars having been raised by public subscription for that purpose.

FINE WORK FOR SLEUTHS.

Bar of Gold Valued at Over \$20,000 Mysteriously Missing from Express Car at Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., March 20.—A bar of gold said to be valued at \$20,000 to \$23,000, disappeared from the express car of Wabash train No. 4, which arrived at the union station from the west at eight o'clock and left for Buffalo. The property was in charge of the Pacific Express company and was consigned to Buffalo. Just as soon as the messenger missed the gold he notified the local express agent of the company who in turn asked the police to assist in the search for the missing treasure.

NEW REGIME IN FRANCE.

Catholic Religious Teachers Excluded and a System of Non-Sectarian Government Schools Will Be Established.

Paris, March 20.—The vote in the chamber of deputies gives definite form to the present policy of the government to terminate the existence of the Catholic religious teaching orders and to substitute a system of governmental schools. The law voted yesterday is very brief and negative in its terms, simply refusing authorization to teach to all the male religious teaching orders. The effect of this is to place the orders outside the pale of the law, and their further existence is through sufferance.

Wrong Negro Was Hanged.

Pittsburg, Kan., March 20.—The father of Mont Godley, the negro who was lynched in Pittsburg Christmas eve for shooting a policeman, has instituted suit for damages for \$10,000 against the city for the death of his son. It was learned after the lynching that another negro, Godley's brother, shot the officer.

For Methodist Book Concern.

Kansas City, Mo., March 20.—A permit was issued to the Western Methodist Book Concern for its new building at 1221 McGee street. The building, complete, will cost \$25,000.

Mast of Shamrock III.

Glasgow, March 20.—The mast of the Shamrock III. was successfully stepped Tuesday. It measures 143 feet from deck to truck.

TAKEN TO JAIL.

I. L. Page and C. N. Hickox Turned Over to the Sheriff for Refusing to Answer Questions.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 23.—Saturday's developments in the probing of bribery charges have been of little consequence. The house, by a vote that was not a majority of the elected members sent I. L. Page and C. N. Hickox to the Cole county jail for refusing to tell where they got bills of large denominations. The men were turned over to the sheriff of this county by the assistant sergeant-at-arms. They were taken to jail, while their lawyers prepared papers in habeas corpus proceeding for their release.

TO TRY HAZARDOUS FEAT.

For a Wager of \$200 Otto Petersen Boasts He Will Cross Niagara Falls on a Wire.

New York, March 23.—For a wager of \$200 and expenses, Otto Petersen, a Brooklyn athlete, will try to cross Niagara Falls on a three-quarter-inch wire, carrying another man of his own weight. Unlike Blondin, he will make the trip by clinging with his teeth to a leather strap connected to the wire by a small roller. The other man will sit in a chair strapped to the strong man's body. The entire weight on the teeth will be about 250 pounds.

Foot Race Men Convicted.

Fort Scott, Kan., March 23.—Robert Boatright, or "Buckfoot," leader of the Webb City, Mo., foot race men who have operated extensively all over the country in the last two years, has been convicted at Mount Vernon, Mo., together with Ellis and Brumley, associates, and each has been sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Thirteen persons, from whom the foot racers obtained an aggregate of \$100,000 by foot racing, were assisting in the prosecution.

Legislators Put in Sunday at Work.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 23.—According to the record of the legislature, it was Saturday until five o'clock yesterday afternoon. Throughout the day, up to that hour, the house and senate were at work. It being illegal to transact any business on Sunday, no notation was made of the day of the week. A number of bills were passed, the most important being the general appropriation bill.

Little Boy Burned to Death.

Emporia, Kan., March 23.—A report has reached here from Madison, 20 miles south of Emporia, that the two-year-old son of Timon Emch was burned to death. The child was playing in the parlor with a twin brother. His clothes caught fire from the stove and the child died a few hours later from the burns.

President Castro Wants to Resign.

Caracas, March 23.—President Castro sent in his resignation to the Venezuelan congress, but by a unanimous vote it declined to accept it and passed a resolution requesting President Castro to reconsider his decision. It is believed the president will yield to this expressed desire of congress and remain in power.

Thirteen Boats Went to the Bottom.

Hawesville, Ky., March 23.—The big towboat J. B. Finley broke a crank early yesterday and went ashore at Hogg's point, a few miles above this city. Of her tow of 34 coal boats and six model barges, containing manufactured steel, 13 towboats and two steel barges went to the bottom.

Want the Vessel Christened with Water.

Topeka, Kan., March 23.—The Women's Christian Temperance union all over Kansas is petitioning the governor to have water instead of wine used in christening the new battleship Kansas. Protests against the use of wine in this ceremony are coming from all sections of the state.

A Baby's Body Found in Trenton.

Trenton, Mo., March 23.—The body of a baby was found by a deputy sheriff, G. C. Devaul, buried near the Rock Island track inside the city limits. The mother of the child is of high social standing. The officers refuse to divulge her name pending an investigation.

Parkhurst Flays Funston.

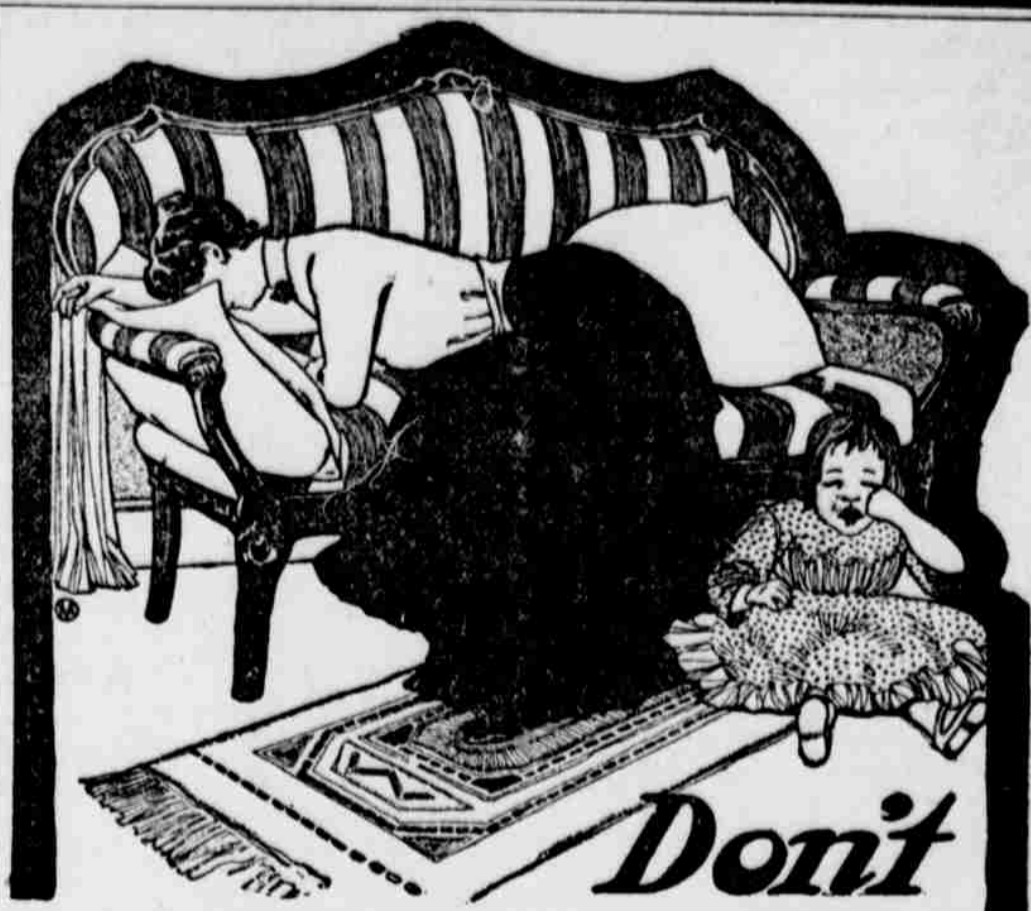
New York, March 23.—Dr. C. H. Parkhurst preached a sermon on "Lying," in which the preacher took occasion to berate the American people for their attitude in condoning the deceit or "treachery" practiced by Gen. Funston upon Aguinaldo.

\$50,000,000 on Deposit.

Topeka, Kan., March 23.—The latest statement of state and private banks in Kansas will show about \$40,000,000 of deposits, a big increase over three months ago. The national banks have about the same amount on deposit.

Will Straighten the Neosho.

Topeka, Kan., March 23.—Farmers along the Neosho river in Coffey county are getting ready to take advantage of the Kennedy law passed at the recent session of the legislature and straighten that river.



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A Toast to Teaching.

This story I had from a man who was present: A wealthy woman who affects patronage of education drove up one morning to the school of which she is a trustee and invited the teachers to spend the evening at her home. When the refreshments were served that night, one little cake, which by mistake had escaped the vigilance of the overseer, came into the hands of one of the guests and proved to have a curved omission as if something had been bitten out. The discovery was made in a cozy corner where some of the irreverent young women of the teaching staff were making merry, says a writer in the World's Work. Annabel, who is a musical accompanist, whispered to the girls that this was the second successive evening she had attended a reception in this house, once as a hired entertainer and once as a guest. She suggested that the things to eat were what were left over by the "society people" of the night before. At this revelation there were indignant looks, but the teachers' inviolable safeguard, the sense of humor, came to the rescue, and the holder of the telltale wafer lifted it up and proposed, sotto voce: Here's health to us: the rag-tag and bobtail of the learned professions; beloved by children; tolerated by youth; forgotten by maturity; considered municipally, financially and socially as good enough for what is left."

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