

The Number of Wrecks at Sea Last Year
Was Unprecedented—The Loss of Life
in Some of the Larger Was Ap-
palling—Tragic Fate of the
Bourgogne.

War having been declared between the United States and Spain, attention was turned from these losses and riveted upon the unprecedented successes achieved by the American naval fleets, and while the Spanish war vessels were not destroyed by storms, still

The day following this great victory, while the nation was celebrating the glorious news, an accident occurred, which was destined for many people to change their joy into mourning and gloom. While steaming through a dense fog sixty miles off Sable Island the French Line steamer La Bourgogne, from New York to Havre, collided with the British ship Cromartyshire. The Bourgogne was making 18 or 20 knots an hour, while the British vessel was making five, with sails set. The shock was terrific, and in ten minutes this superb liner, with the greater portion of her crew and passengers, settled and sank. The Cromartyshire, while almost in a sinking condition herself, at once proceeded to rescue as many of the unfortunates as possible, but only succeeded in rescuing 165 of the 725 persons on board, the balance

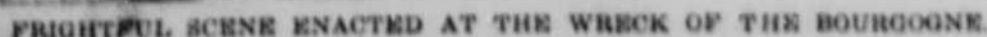
On the 11th of September a hurricane in the British West Indies, in addition to destroying thousands of buildings and rendering 50,000 people homeless and destitute, cut a wide swath in the shipping in that region and killed 500 people. This storm was widely heralded and word cabled to all the West Indian islands open to communication. In spite of this a vast amount of shipping was damaged. Two vessels were sunk off the Windward Islands. The British ship *Loanda*, 1,447 tons, Captain Dodge, from Rio Janeiro; the American bark *Gray Lynwood*, of 592 tons, Captain Gilley, from New York for Port Spain, both lying at Barbados, besides two barkentines, were blown out into the ocean and cast ashore and wrecked at St Vincent, British West Indies. Extensive damage was also done to the native vessels, many being blown out to sea and swamped. Following this news was received that the *Leopard*, of Labrador, with a crew of eighteen and twelve passengers, was lost during a severe storm off the northwest coast of that region on September 27.

On the 15th of November the British steamship Londonian sailed from Boston for London with a large gen-

of \$61,000,000 plus for the army, and \$33,000,000 plus for the navy; in all \$94,816,165.03.

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