of the grounding of the S. S. "Prinz Joachim" on one of the experiences of the passengers, which was communicated to our represen-



distinguished American orator and Bahama reefs, and of the subsequent statesman, the Hon., William Jennings Bryan. No narration of the unfortunate incident could have been clearer or more impressive, and at the same time more simple and unaffected. It brought the events of the fateful morning on which the finely-appointed vessel got wedged to the treacherous rocks, vividly before the mind's eye; and yet there was no straining after effect, no attempt to over-draw a single scene, as the story unfolded itself. It was a plain tale, plainly and modestly told by one of the greatest masters of the English language. And the lessons which Mr. Bryan drew from his unpleasant experiences - and those of his fellow-passengerswere equally impressive and convincing. Why should not a lighthouse have been placed long ago near the spot where the "Prinz Joachim" went ashore: a spot where cloudy weather often prevails and strong currents carry vessels far out of their course, despite the utmost care and vigilance of the navigators? Again, why should not steamers have two wireless operators on board instead of only one, so that communication with neighboring vessels might be maintained uninterruptedly if necessary? The accident occurred at an hour when the wireless men in the vicinity were all asleep. Such men have got to get their hours of rest as well as other people; and therefore a considerable time elapsed before the "Prinz Joachim's" operator could get news conveyed to the nearest steamer of the peril with which the passengers and crew on board were confronted. Indeed, the mishap was known in distant New York about a couple of hours before a vessel, only eighty miles off, knew a word about it, or could arrange to come to the rescue. What might

tative on Sunday afternoon by the not have happened in those two hours if the atmospheric conditions had been slightly different! The moral taught by the accident is clearly this, that if it be worth while to instal wireless telegraphic apparato engage two operators, so that a continuous service may be insured night and day. We have little doubt that when Mr. Bryan's sensible suggestion is reported to the head offices of all the great steamship lines (as it is certain to be) it will be favorably considered and speedily adopted by the directors. After all, the salary of an additional operator will not make much difference to the running expenses of any large oceangoing passenger steamer.

A Suggestion

In the name of its numerous readers, the "Gleaner" extends a cordial welcome to Mr. Bryan, as a distinguished and representative citizen of the United States, on his arrival in this colony. We congratulate him, the members of his family circle who accompanied him, and all the other passengers who traveled with him, on their escape from a position of great danger, and on the happy issue of an eventful-and what will always be to them a memorable voyage. The name and fame of Mr. Bryan have preceded him. The newspaper readers of this island know as much of his public career and political principles as they know of the leading statesmen of the mother country; and we are quite sure that it would be a great pleasure to Jamaica people to listen to one of those eloquent addresses with which he has stirred the hearts of multitudes, not only in his own great republic, but also in the mother country, to which he is attached by ties of affection similar to our own. Mr. Bryan's interests are wide and

world embracing. It would be out of place to suggest that he should speak on political questions in such a colony as this. But on such topics as the literary, educational, moral and religious movements of the age. tics on a vessel, it is also worth while our distinguished visitor is an acknowledged authority; and we think he might be approached either by the committee of the Kingston athenaeum or the governors of the Jamaica institute with a view to delivering a lecture on one of his favorite themes in this city, before he proceeds on his tour through South America. We feel certain that if Mr. Bryan were asked to do so, he would gladly accede to the request.—Kingston (Jamaica) Gleaner.

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