

FOUND IN THE ICE.

On the 7th day of October, 1852, the ship Princess left Australia for London with a cargo of wool and other articles valued at \$250,000.

In June, 1868, sixteen years after the loss of the Princess, a whaler named Tallman, which was trying the cruising ground to the south of Cape Horn.

Sometimes we lay moored to a berg for several hours; again we were pounding among the great cakes of ice, which threatened every moment to crush in her side.

The ship had thus far sustained little damage, but the crew were exhausted with the hard work and given an all day's rest, and no incident occurred until late in the afternoon.

We pulled to pass the western face of the berg and found it to be about half a mile long. As we reached its southern limit and turned to the east we caught sight of a small fire on a ledge about a hundred feet above the water.

The evening was perfectly quiet and there was no surf on the south side of the berg, but the tragedy that followed was brought about from causes far down the corner of the berg.

The mate had taken the bearings of the ship by compass when we turned the corner of the berg and I knew that she would also run a lantern aloft as a guide, but when the sea quieted down I looked for her in vain.

Twenty minutes after the berg split a fog settled down, and with it came a breeze. I did not know what to do, and so laid in my oar, wrapped myself in a blanket and sat down on the bottom of the boat.

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Tailman was not in sight. It was not to be expected that she would leave the locality without making a daylight search for the boat, and during the long day, which was full of storms and with but a moderate breeze, I constantly hoped and expected to sight her.

It was finally concluded that she had struck a floating wreck in mid-ocean and gone down so suddenly that no one could escape. Had she sprung a leak or caught fire a part of her people must have got away in the boats, and it could be figured on that at least one would have reached some island.

It was a mile or more in length and not over thirty feet high, and looked more like a wall resting on the water. The ice was yellow and dirty, with rocks embedded in its lower part, and I had no doubt that the good portion of it was the lower part of an iceberg which had turned turtle.

Over it was floating a quantity of smoke. The smoke did not rise from its great, but from the far side. No one doubted that it came from a fire lighted by shipwrecked sailors, who had caught sight of the Tallman and were making her a signal.

The third mate and three men were ordered off in one of the whaleboats to investigate and I was one of the three selected. We took with us a breaker of fresh water, a bottle of rum, bread, meat, blankets, a boat compass and a lantern, and darkness fell as we pulled away from the ship.

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FUTURE WOMAN.

A SUBJECT THAT IS AGITATING PARIS WRITERS.

The Consensus Seems to be That, No Matter What She May be, We Like Her Now.

An investigation, so to speak, has been agitating Paris for the last week or two, which has arisen out of three questions propounded by a new arrival in the journalistic field, called "La Revue Naturaliste," says the New York "Herald."

1. Do you not think that the woman of the future, she who will fulfill the dream of the "feminists," will constitute one of the gravest perils which have so far menaced humanity, determining great crises in moral, sentimental and social order?

2. In giving your opinion determine the different characters of this threatened woman danger.

3. Is it urgent to put a spoke in the wheel of this movement?

So far this investigation has been profitable. Thirty men of letters have expressed their views on it. Among this number there are to be found but two or three who do not enter heart and soul into the movement.

Henry Bauer writes thus: "Living among men, coming to know their egotism, their covardice, their abuse of brute force, I have become a 'feminist.' Every human creature, every male or female individual, can lay pretensions to the plenitude of his or her liberty, outside of the laws, social institutions, the artificial arrangements which are the monopoly of the stronger, or the strongest of barbarous conquest and property."

M. SILVESTRE'S REPLY. M. Armand Silvestre is of the same opinion. He says in a jocular vein at first: "I am still awaiting my first trial. When that comes, should I have a pretty young lawyer pleading my cause before a tribunal of judges? I cannot give them their proper title, as so far none has been settled upon for feminine judges, and my counsel should wear a gown emitting the perfume of lilacs, and then I should lose my case, what would I care if I were roughly led away to prison by two rough female guards?"

He concludes in a graver strain: "Whether men are willing to admit it or not, woman has found a foothold in the dominion of science, of art, and their long hidden power is being made clearer to her. What right have we to close the portieres which have been drawn aside for her and to place stones in her pathway toward light?"

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