

OCEAN DISASTER.

The Loss of the Steamship Hibernia—Statements Regarding the Calamity.

The following statements regarding the loss of the Hibernia has been made by three of the passengers—Mr. Josiah Coak, Mr. Melvin, and Miss Rogers.

We commenced our voyage from New York on board the Hibernia on the 14th of November, and though the weather at first was somewhat rough, we had a pleasant voyage until the catastrophe on Monday the 23d, which rendered us to the care of ourselves, and to get ready to go into the lifeboats, as it was quite probable we should require to leave the ship. At 2 o'clock and 5 o'clock the boats were got ready, and water and provisions were ordered to be taken to do so. All the while a gale was blowing, but as the afternoon advanced it increased in fury, and it was evident that the danger to the ship was becoming greater. At about 4 o'clock on the 23d, Wednesday morning, it was determined that the boats should be launched, but, owing to the high sea which was running at the time, this work was accomplished with some difficulty, as it was feared that the boats might be dashed to pieces against the side of the ship. But fortunately we got them all safely down, with the exception of the captain's boat No. 1, which was slightly injured. At twenty minutes past 5 o'clock the captain came to the cabin, and told the ladies to come on deck and go to the front part of the ship. The water at this time was ankle deep in the saloon, and was rapidly rising. All the cabin ladies passengers went to the front of the vessel, and the cabin gentlemen passengers followed. There was no hurrying or confusion; all went orderly and quietly. By the assistance of the captain and the officers, one by one went over the sides of the ship until No. 1 lifeboat was filled, and all the cabin ladies passengers went off in that boat. When we shoved off, the cabin gentlemen passengers, in the same orderly way, went in the second boat, and successive boats were filled in the same quiet manner, each when ready shoving off to give place to the next boat. One old woman, a stowage passenger, sturdily refused to leave the ship, being determined not to quit company with her husband, but she was put on board the lifeboat by force. She screamed loudly while being let down into the boat. When the last passenger had been got off, Captain Munro, with Mr. Brown, the chief engineer, who had remained directing the transfer of the passengers to the small boats, came off in the last boat. Captain Munro immediately joined No. 1 boat and took charge of the rudder, while Mr. Brown went to take charge of No. 2 boat. The ship shortly afterwards sank. After we started in the lifeboat the boat in charge of the chief mate hoisted a sail, and a rope from it was attached to the captain's boat, but the rope soon broke. Some minutes afterwards a gust of wind caught the boat, which had hoisted the sail, causing it to upset, and all on board of it were lost. None of the other boats could give the slightest assistance, all were so heavily laden and carried so much water. The captain soon after he took charge of the first boat, which was nearly half full of water, saw that it was too heavily laden, and called on the crew of one of the other boats to relieve him of some of the passengers or the boat would sink. The crew of the other boat at once obeyed the captain and came alongside, taking two of the passengers off. Though thus relieved, the captain still feared for the safety of the passengers, on account of the amount of water which was in the boat. As the water continued to be baled out, however, the rudder began to obey him, and his hopes of safety revived. We sailed about all day, and during all the while scarcely a word was spoken. About half-past seven at night the gale was broken by a calm, and "hail! a sail!" and the captain ordered a light to be put up, and told all the passengers to shout for their lives. We all shouted, and an answer was immediately returned from the ship, which turned out to be the Star of Hope, under the command of Capt. Talbot. All those who were in Captain Munro's boat were taken on board the Star of Hope, and were treated with every possible kindness. We told him that our other boat was sinking, and Captain Talbot said he would look out for them. He cruised about, and placed men on the look-out. Between ten and eleven o'clock we picked up No. 3 boat, but, though the Star of Hope cruised about the other boats, and saw nothing more was seen of the other boats. During all the while we were on board the Star of Hope we were treated with the utmost kindness by Captain Talbot. He gave us his own cabin for the night, and had the cabin gentlemen, and in his efforts to make those who he had saved comfortable, he was generously assisted by his officers.

MARRIED.

MARRIED.—On the 19th of October, by the Rev. John G. Wilson, V. R., Mr. G. G. Coak, of this city, to Miss Maria R. Hovvy, both of this city.

TOWN.—Thompson.—On the evening of the 23d of December, by Rev. William B. Hise, JOHN EDWIN TOWN to ELIZABETH COLVIN THOMPSON.

DIED.

CHEW.—On Wednesday morning, the 23d instant, Mr. J. CHEW, of this city, aged 77 years.

DEVENNEY.—On the 23d instant, Mrs. SARAH DEVENNEY, in the 64th year of her age.

FOLEY.—On the 23d instant, JOHN FOLEY, aged 54 years.

JOHNSON.—On the 23d instant, Mr. WILLIAM JOHNSON, aged 70 years.

MCLEAN.—On the 23d inst., CAROLINE MCLEAN, eldest daughter of the late James and Sarah McLean, in the 83d year of her age.

MACDONALD.—On the 21st instant, WILLIAM MACDONALD, aged 50 years.

PAUL.—On the 21st inst., Mrs. J. PAUL, in the 85th year of her age.

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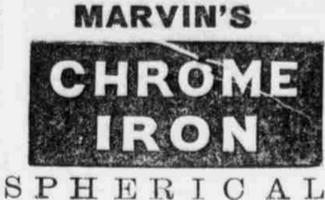
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