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THE BIG RAFT STILL ADRIFT.

A Baseless Rumor of Its Recovery—The Grant Will Also Seek It.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—It is rumored here to-night that the missing lumber raft has been picked up and is being towed into port by an incoming steamer of the Leyland Line, which carries freight between here and Liverpool. The rumor is not confirmed at the wharf of the company in Charlestown. No steamer of that line is reported as having been sighted.

The all-absorbing topic of conversation in maritime circles yesterday was the whereabouts of the monster raft which was abandoned by the steamer Miranda last Saturday 200 miles distant from Sandy Hook. The raft is floating probably in the track of our large transatlantic steamers. All yesterday Supt. Houghton, of the Maritime Exchange, and Lieut. Cottman, in charge of the Hydrographic Office in this city, were plied with numerous inquiries as to the probable whereabouts of the floating timber. As to the chances of the logs remaining in contact the Lieutenant was exceedingly doubtful. He rather inclined to the opinion that the raft would break, and then be a still more dangerous obstacle to navigation. "It is not probable," the Lieutenant continued, "that the raft has floated very far from the spot where it was lost. Some say that it will drift along quite rapidly, but I do not think it will move than a knot an hour. The direction in which it will float is only a matter of conjecture. The prevailing winds since the raft has been adrift have been from the westward, as have been the seas. These phenomena would tend to drive the raft to the eastward.

"If the raft," he said, "should go too far to the eastward it is liable to come in contact with the current from the Arctic Ocean, which would naturally send it to the southward. Supposing that it has got within the influence of this current, if the winds should blow with great force from the westward they would force it into the Gulf Stream."

The incoming steamers which arrived yesterday brought no information of the raft. The Gothia and Bohemia, of Dec. 21, passed within a short distance of where the Miranda left the raft. The steamers had no idea that they were in such close proximity to a thing which if they struck would without doubt send them to the bottom. At the time they passed in the vicinity the weather was very dark, with only a moderate breeze blowing. Late yesterday afternoon Supt. Houghton, of the Maritime Exchange, received a telegram from Mr. Leary, the owner of the raft, that he had despatched the steamer Morse in search of his timber. The cruise for the raft will be under the supervision of Capt. Littlefield. The revenue cutter Grant, Capt. Davis, was to have joined the searchers yesterday, but not having been able to get his vessel in trim, the Captain was obliged to postpone his departure until to-day. Capt. Davis will cruise to the eastward. He said that his vessel had not the power to admit of his handling the raft. The Enterprise is now searching for the raft.

Why the Cigar Trade Has Left New York.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

BUFFALO, Dec. 22.—President Strasser, of the Cigar-Makers' International Union, was interviewed at his office in the Fitch Institute to-day upon the situation in New York, and especially in regard to the statement that the manufacturers were going to resume tenement-house work because of outside competition. "The reason that New York is losing trade is because of the introduction of 200 bunch-making machines, which make an inferior article and thus have destroyed the former reputation of cigars made in that city. We shall do our utmost to break up tenement-house work. We have fought the system for ten years and intend to keep up the fight. No tenement-house manufacturer can receive our label, and we have increased the use of the label during the past two years by over twenty millions."

HONORING THEIR DEAD COMRADE.

Irish National Leaguers Adopt Memorial Resolutions on Major Haggerty's Death.

At a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Irish National League, held last night at the Fourth District Court, at Eighteenth street and Fourth avenue, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Almighty God in his wisdom has called from our ranks Major James Haggerty, one of our ablest and most zealous associates; one whose voice has rung out in eloquent tones in defense of Irish nationality; one whose advocacy of Ireland's cause and Ireland's claims has ever won friends for our oppressed motherland; be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the Municipal Council of the Irish National League of New York City, express our very deep and sincere regret at the death of Major James Haggerty, and our sense of the great loss our cause has sustained in the demise of the annointed President of the Manhattan Branch of the Irish National League;

Resolved, That we express to the sorrowing relatives of our late associate our sincere sympathy in this their hour of bereavement, but we also ask them to remember that the voice now stilled forever had in life championed the rights of men and the claims of a struggle; be it therefore further

Resolved, That a committee of six be appointed to represent the Municipal Council in the obsequies of our lamented friend.

The Council then appointed John P. Ryan, John W. Quigley, Lawrence F. Fullam, Francis Crawley, R. J. Kennedy and Joan J. Horgan. Patrick Gleason presided.

A DECAPITATED BODY ROLLED OUT.

Freight Laborers Greatly Scared by a Subject for Dissection.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

FAIRPORT, N. Y., Dec. 22.—While a party of laborers at the Victor railroad station in this locality were loading freight cars, this morning, the head of a large barrel fell out and the naked and bloody body of a man rolled out. The head was cut away close to the shoulders. The laborers were frightened and ran away from the freight-house. Crowds came to the place, but the Coroner did not arrive until the middle of the afternoon. It was found by that time that the body was shipped to somebody in New York for dissection in the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The shipper is James M. Marshal, a medical student in Manchester. He says the body is that of a poor, miserable old drunkard named Hiram Stamper, who sold his body to Marshal and another medical student last July for $3 and one gallon of whiskey. Stamper died on Monday and Marshal claimed the body. He cut off the head because the barrel was too small for the body and because he wanted the head for his own study. He produced Stamper's head in a paper bag to prove his statement. The body was put back in the barrel and forwarded on to New York by the Coroner's order.

Washington News Notes.

Secretary Whitney has returned to Washington from New York.

The Government receipts so far this month amount to $21,697,838, being an excess of $12,922,137 over the disbursements for the same period.

Secretary Fairchild has authorized the collectors of customs at New York and Newport to make such use of the revenue cutters Grant and Dexter in guarding against danger from the drifting raft as the interests of commerce seem to demand.

The Senate yesterday confirmed the appointment of O. S. Straus, of New York, as Minister to Turkey; N. T. Williams, of Maryland, as Secretary of Legation in Brazil, and a large number of Presidential Postmasters.

The Department of State is informed that a Universal Industrial Exposition will be opened at Brussels in May, and that Messrs. Armstrong & Co., of Broadway, New York, have been authorized to represent the management in the United States. The time for the presentation of demands for space has been extended to Jan. 15.

ANOTHER "L" ROAD GRAB.

A Large Slice of the City's Water Front on the Harlem Leased by the Monopoly.

Property-owners on the west side of town are somewhat wrought up over the reported lease by the Board of Dock Commissioners to the Manhattan Elevated Railway of a large and valuable piece of the city's water front on the Harlem. Negotiations have been pending for a long time, as it was the desire of the railroad people to obtain extended facilities for the housing of engines, switching, supplying of coal and general terminal workings of their business. The property in question, which within a few years will have attained an almost incalculable value, for many considerations, is located at One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street and Eighth avenue, and reaches from that point some distance north. A portion of it will necessarily have to be redeemed from the water, and the lessees, before they can utilize the land, will have a lot of filling in to do. The fact of the property being on the river front will give it an added value to them, since, if piers are erected, a most desirable means of supply will thus have been obtained.

When negotiations first began the railroad company was desirous of making the period as long as possible, and endeavored to secure a lease for fifty years at a very moderate rate. This term the Dock Board considered too long, and compromised by consenting to a lease for ten years, with two opportunities of ten-year renewals. The matter is at present in abeyance, and it is very doubtful if the lease will be perfected at the terms named, inasmuch as real estate owners in that vicinity propose taking active steps to prevent it. They hold that within a few years—long before the time allowed by the proposed lease—the property will be worth an annual rental of fabulous amount, which could not begin to be counted in the thousands, whereas the terms proposed are $5,000 for the first ten years and a nominal increase for the subsequent terms.

L. J. N. Stark, President of the Board of Dock Commissioners, was found by a WORLD reporter last night at his home, No. 931 Fourth avenue. He said:

"There has been such a negotiation as you mention, and an agreement to lease has been made; but as yet no actual lease has been perfected."

"How soon will a consummation be reached?"

"That it would be impossible to tell. The agreement is now in the hands of the Corporation Counsel, Mr. Morgan J. O'Brien, for his inspection, and when it will take more substantial form than it has at present, I do not know. The papers were given to the Corporation Counsel yesterday."

"What are the terms of the agreement?"

"I don't want to try and state them without reference to the papers, which are locked up at the office."

James Matthews, Treasurer of the Board, lives at No. 175 East Sixty-fourth street, but was not at home when a reporter called. None of the officers of the elevated railway company would state what they intended doing with the big parcel of land they propose to lease for so much below its rental value. The residents and property-holders in the vicinity promise to contest the lease with great energy.

Mr. Powderly to the K. of L.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—General Master Workman Powderly published in to-day's issue of the *Journal of United Labor*, his official organ, a card in which he speaks of his weakened physical condition, and asks for a vacation. He says:

Our members will, I hope, deal indulgently with me for the remainder of this year. I am positively forbidden by my doctor to talk or stir any more than is absolutely necessary for the next few weeks. Every indication of this present writing is favorable to my complete recovery, but the trouble is of so serious a nature as to require time. I regret very much that my letters for the *Journal* have been discontinued, even for one issue.

I had several under way and will, I trust, be able to resume next week. In view of the fact that I neglected to take a vacation during the summer months, I am satisfied that the Order will not object to my doing so now, even though it is a little late in the season. Most sincerely do I wish for the Order the fullest measure of success. To all of our members do I wish a joyous, merry Christmas and a happy new year.

VICTIMS OF A NOVEL FRAUD.

Ohio Rustics Entrapped and Neatly Swindled Out of $2,500.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 22.—Two well-dressed strangers called at the law office of Kennedy & Steen last fall and employed the junior partner to look up the financial standing of a number of farmers and substantial citizens, whose names they furnished, for which they paid him $25. After this was done they opened an office and represented that the Government intended to use the surplus in the Treasury for the "benefit of the people," and that it was proposed to start what they called "National Depositories" at certain points, Bellefontaine being chosen as one of the "disbursing stations." They said that $150,000 would be sent to Bellefontaine and loaned to the new bank at 3 per cent. per annum and the interest would not be collected for fifteen years and would then be taken out of the original deposit. All that was required to become a "director" was to put up a specified amount and when $25,000 was raised the "bank inspector, then at Cincinnati," would be telegraphed for and all things arranged.

Transparent as the fraud was, John Outland, the principal victim, was taken in easily. He is about seventy years old. Outland went to the bank and borrowed $4,500, getting a certificate of deposit and promising to return twice the amount for deposit within ten days. He took the certificate to the men and they told him it must be in gold, whereupon he went back and got the coin in five sacks of $500 each. The sharpers counted the money carefully, put it in their pockets and showed the old man out, saying: "This is our way of closing business, and if you ever say anything about it, even to your wife, we will kill you." He was dazed and kept the matter to himself until the note fell due this week, when he had to disclose the fraud. Several other persons were victimized, among them Dr. B. F. McKinnon, who has since died.

To Hang for Killing Mrs. Cross.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

ROME, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The trial of Clement Arthur Day for the murder of Mrs. Josie R. Cross was concluded to-day, and the jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree. The prisoner waived the two days allowed by law to intervene before sentence and refused to be sworn, leering at the Judge and saying: "You've got enough about me; now go on and hang me." Judge Williams sentenced him to be hanged in the Utica jail Feb. 9, 1888. He received the sentence coolly.

Election Day at the Driving Club.

The New York Driving Club met for its annual election of officers last night and with this result: President, Alfred de Cordova; Vice-President, J. B. Houston; Treasurer, A. B. Claflin. During the year the club has held four meetings at Fleetwood. The membership has nearly doubled during the year. The club has erected a toboggan slide 2,000 feet long, with seventy-five electric lights, and twenty Harlem Railroad trains will stop each way daily at the grounds.

THE CHAMBERLAIN WILL REPORT.

Must Let the Board of Estimate Know the Financial Affairs of His Office.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment yesterday continued its task of considering the final estimates for the various city departments for the year 1888. The District-Attorney's office was allowed $158,700. This included $113,730 for salaries and office expenses, $20,000 for arrearages in the contingent fund of 1887, and $25,000 for contingencies in 1888. District-Attorney Martine explained that the contingencies account was extraordinarily large owing to the "boodle" trials. He also asked for $20,000 to employ four special assistants to prepare cases for trial, but as the item was not included in the provisional estimate the question of the right of the Board to grant it was referred to the Corporation Counsel. The Register's office was given $118,700 for salaries, $4,700 for temporary help, $31,500 for the preservation of the public records and $500 for contingencies—total, $156,900.

Ex-Judge A. R. Lappen asked for an appropriation of $75,000 to improve the roads and avenues in the annexed district. This amount, he said, would give ten miles of good roads, and the work could be done during the winter, thus giving employment to a great many men who would otherwise be compelled to remain idle. The Board declined to make the appropriation.

For the Mayor's office $26,000 was appropriated, and $74,000 for the Common Council. The Finance Department was then taken up, and $29,000 was allowed for cleaning markets, $7,500 for contingencies, $186,500 for salaries and $8,000 for temporary clerks.

When the item of $25,000 for the City Chamberlain was taken up Mayor Hewitt asked if the Chamberlain ever made any report of his receipts and expenditures, and was told that he did not.

"Well," said the Mayor, "I think the public should know something about this office. I have been charged with paying a political assessment of $10,000. The Chamberlain, I understand, believes in reforming this. Suppose we see what he does."

A resolution was therefore adopted instructing the Chamberlain to make a report to the Comptroller showing the receipts and disbursements of his office.

The sum of $2,413,573.34 was appropriated for State taxes and other State expenses.

The Board will meet again Tuesday, and the final vote on the estimate will be taken Wednesday.

Proposed Air Line Railroad to Omaha.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

OMAHA, Dec. 22.—Secretary Nottinger, of the Board of Trade, has received a communication from Isaac B. Farquar, of New York, in which Mr. Farquar says he is the possessor of a charter for an air line railroad from New York City to Council Bluffs, and that he also owns a charter for a bridge over the Missouri River at this point, issued by Congress, making a continuous line from New York to Omaha. Mr. Farquar wishes to organize a syndicate to survey the line that will furnish $100,000 for that purpose. He further says he has correspondence with a strong London syndicate who agrees to buy the bonds and furnish steel rails for the road.

Who Bought Ives's Bank Stock?

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—It has been rumored that there would be an entire change of management at the coming meeting of the directors of the Seventh National Bank of this city. It is stated that a New York syndicate has secured control of the bank. This is the bank Henry S. Ives & Co. tried to buy in order to aid in his operations. When Ives failed the plan fell through, and the stock, which had been bought through clerks in lawyers' offices and others for Ives, went into other people's hands. Who now owns the majority of stock is not known.

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