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IS NOT DAMAGED BUT STUCK VERY HARD

Ward Line Niagara Runs on the Colorado Shoals, Santiago de Cuba

BEATEN BACK

A WOMAN'S VIEWS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12--Mr. F. W. Hodge of the bureau of ethnology, Smithsonian institution, has just returned from an expedition to the "Enchanted Mesa" of New Mexico, which has excited the interest of scientists and the daring of exploring parties.

HAVANA, Sept. 12--It was due to the courtesy of Admiral Navarre, the Spanish naval commander in Cuban waters, that the correspondent of the Associated Press has been able to obtain details from Santiago de Cuba of the grounding on the Colorado Shoals, off the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, of the Ward line steamship Niagara, Captain Crocker, from New York August 26th, via Nassau, on August 30th, for Guantanamo, Cienfuegos.

It appears that the Niagara was entering the harbor at Santiago de Cuba from Cienfuegos in ballast. The water was from the weather line, but owing to her fouling her rudder, on account of currents, the steamer grounded on a rocky bottom. The Spanish gunboat Estrella and the tugboat Colon immediately went to her assistance and succeeded in pulling her off, but without success. The British steamer Hamuluke, a powerful vessel, made an attempt to float the Niagara yesterday morning, exhausting all efforts. But, although assisted by the Colon, it is doubtful whether the Niagara can be floated.

The pilot who was in charge of the Niagara has been suspended by the marine authorities until the exact cause of the disaster can be ascertained.

The Niagara, according to the latest reports received here, is not leaking. Her machinery still works well. The Santiago passengers of the Niagara have been landed and the others are on board. The captain of the port of Santiago considers the accident to the Niagara serious, but believes with the resources at the disposal of the Santiago de Cuba officials the Niagara can be floated.

Carriers' Excursions

SANTA CRUZ, Sept. 12--The eastern letter carriers, delegates to the national convention, arrived here shortly before noon today and were received by a local committee. The carriers formed in line and marched to the beach, where a barbecue was enjoyed. Over a thousand people took part in the barbecue, beef, fruit and coffee. The afternoon was devoted to bathing, dancing and driving, the excursionists returning to San Francisco this evening.

Climbed the Fence

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Sept. 12--Hon. A. Fred Plummer, ex-member of the Washington legislature and prominently connected with shipping circles here, was accidentally and dangerously shot yesterday while quail hunting on Whidbey island. In crossing a fence his gun was accidentally discharged, the full contents of the charge penetrating and entering his right breast. His condition today is critical, but physicians hope to pull him through.

The Pope's Compliments

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12--Pope Leo XIII, through Cardinal Rampolla and Archbishop Keane, has signified his intention of presenting to Stanford university library an expensive bound copy of the catalogue of the famous Vatican library. No copy of this catalogue is now on this coast, and there are but few copies of it in the United States.

Back to His Work

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12--President McKinley will reach Washington tomorrow afternoon. He leaves Somerset, Pa., at 10 a. m., on a special train over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and is scheduled to arrive here at 5 p. m.

A Chess Congress

BERLIN, Sept. 12--The chess congress of the Berliner-Schach-Gesellschaft was opened at the Architekten in this city today. Twenty entries for the international tournament, the first round of which contest will be played tomorrow are announced.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH

Brought Back by Disgusted Miners

SKAGUAY PASS IS CLOSED

ROUTE FROM DYEA IS ALMOST AS BAD

Miners and Mineresses Repeat the Stories of the Richness of the Alaskan Fields

Associated Press Special Wire.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Sept. 12--The steamer City of Seattle arrived today five days from Skaguay. Among the passengers are twelve men who started for the Klondike, but failed to cross the pass. A. C. Warner of Seattle, an artist who has been getting views on both the Dyea and Skaguay passes for the past week, was a returning passenger on the Seattle. He says the Skaguay pass is closed for the season, but that many are still floundering around in the mud in a vain attempt to get through. The first fourteen miles of the trail from Skaguay beach is strewn with the carcasses of six horses.

Eleven saloons and three dance halls are doing business there, but Warner says there is no trouble, there being no fighting or thieving. At Dyea the people are still moving slowly forward, although greatly impeded by mud and rain. With the exception of two days, rain has fallen there continuously for three weeks.

Collector of Customs Ivy is doing a rushing business in the confiscation of whisky. He has thirty inspectors on the beaches and trails, and but little stuff gets through. Frank Cain, Canadian, was caught in a snop a few days ago with a \$800 stock of whisky. The stock was seized and Cain sent to the Juneau jail. Whisky sells at \$36 per gallon at Lake Linderman. The Thor party started across from Mission to Yukon valley a few days ago with eighty head of cattle. They expect to make the drive in thirty-five days.

BEATEN BACK

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12--The steamer George E. Starr and City of Seattle arrived today from Skaguay Bay. The Seattle left there last Tuesday at 11 a. m. Both steamers brought back men who had been in the Klondike country south to winter. With her little 3-year-old daughter she spent some months in the mining districts and gives the Ledger some interesting experiences in the far north.

"Talk about my report of the finding of the \$325 nugget, the largest yet reported by the Klondike country, which Nick Knutson picked up on No. 36, El Dorado, and is bringing to San Francisco on the Excelsior, has increased the excitement which a calm view of the danger side of the grub question had partly allayed. When the Excelsior, with its cargo of nearly a million dollars worth of gold, reaches San Francisco the fever will probably reach its height.

"Yet the excitement is all on the outside. In the Klondike country even this huge nugget, which is as large as your hand, and almost a perfect hatchet-head shape, did not greatly excite the miners.

"I am asked scores of times, 'Is the Klondike country as rich as reported?' I was prepared to say, 'It can scarcely be exaggerated,' but since then I have seen newspapers and I reply more cautiously. In several papers I saw the statement that somebody had seen five million dollars worth of gold in a small part of the claim, a strip only 25x70 feet, \$42,628, and have recently sold the claim for \$45,000. This is the highest amount of gold out of a Klondike mine, nearly \$90,000, that I know of so far.

"There are a number of claims in the Klondike country which are swarming with disreputable women. Early in the spring there were over forty; they are dozens more by this time, for they go by every boat. One of the creatures is said to have made \$600 in one day, another \$1500 in ten days.

"Of the lucky ones, Alex McDonald, who went in not long ago strapped, is now more than a millionaire, and Bill Cottwell bought a claim for \$100 and sold sixty feet only of it for \$10,000. This was No. 17, El Dorado. On No. 9, El Dorado, there is a rich streak above bed rock, about three or four inches thick. The owners are taking out very little because they cannot do much with the cumbersome methods in use. From two holes they washed out \$61,000 in six months.

"Frank Denmore has a claim out of which he took ninety pounds of gold in one day. That's a story to something like \$25,000. The stories of lucky failures are extremely interesting. Fritz Kloke tried to sell his half interest in a claim for \$100. He could not get it. He has just sold the same half to J. J. Healy for \$10,000. Charles Engel of New York city bought half a claim at Victoria for \$15. A man offered him \$200 for it soon after. If he had offered \$30, said Engel to me, I should have taken it, but the larger sum told me it was lucky to keep, and that I had a good thing.

"There are a number of lucky strikes such as these made blindfolded."

ARMED FOR PIRATES

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12--The treasure ship Portland got away for St.

over the Chilkoot river, which is about 100 feet wide with a very swift current, and a charge of one-quarter cent per pound for goods and 50 cents each for passengers is made. They are loaded in canoes and poled from Dyea for six miles up the river, taking a full day to tow a loaded boat that distance. From the ferry up there are heavy timbered bottoms, but the road is not bad now. Spruce, Sitka spruce, Alaska cedar and fir line the river. Across a shallow arm of the river the trail takes to the river bed. It is gravel and easy traveling to Finnigan's point, again crossing to higher ground on the east side.

Less than \$5000 would make a good wagon road from Dyea to the head of the canyon, and but one bridge would have to be built. At the canyon the first perceptible climb and the first mud is encountered.

The trail from Camp Pleasant to Sheep Camp is fairly good and averages about 500 feet elevation, with no sharp pitches. Sheep Camp is fifteen miles from Dyea and the character of the country suddenly changes and becomes more rough and rocky. Mountain torrents keep up continual music. There is scarcely any soil or timber from there to the summit.

There were not many people camped on Lake Bennett, only those who had come over the Skaguay trail, about twenty, and only one complete outfit had about twenty, and in a distance of a mile and a half over 1000, and as many horses, mules, burros, bulls and oxen. Not one packer in fifty on the Skaguay trail knows how to pack an animal and half of them never had anything to do with a horse before.

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THE FEVER SPREADING

In Spite of the Iron-Clad Quarantine

TWELVE SUSPICIOUS CASES

SIX OFFICIALLY DECIDED TO BE YELLOW FEVER

The New Orleans Physicians Hard at Work and Are Not Yet Seriously Alarmed

Associated Press Special Wire.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Sept. 12--Shortly before noon today the board of health officially declared six of the suspicious cases of fever on St. Cloud street to be yellow fever. A couple of hours subsequently the board announced another case of yellow fever at Miro and Esplanade streets, also in the lower part of the city, but a mile or more away from the infected square. The announcement of the six cases of yellow fever was unexpected, though for a good while these cases were regarded by the experts as simply bilious malaria. There is no general alarm here, although the news rapidly spread through the city. The authorities do not believe that the situation is materially worse than it was four or five days ago, and they are still confident of their ability, with modern sanitary appliances, successfully to quarantine the infected districts.

The official bulletin of the board of experts declaring the St. Cloud street cases to be yellow fever was received by President Oliphant soon after 11 o'clock. Dr. Oliphant immediately sent for members of the press and gave out the report, which was signed by Drs. Lemmonier, Touart, Bokhamer, Pettit and Perham, of the board of experts, and Dr. Devron, the attending physician. The report was as follows:

"We, the undersigned physicians, who from time to time have examined the twelve cases of fever on St. Cloud street, between Clout and Louisa, find six to be yellow fever, four of whom are convalescent. There are no other cases."

Of the twelve original cases, all of which had their origin from a case that had come from Ocean Springs, the six other than those reported today as yellow fever were announced this afternoon to be practically well, up walking about their homes. Of the six pronounced convalescent, four were declared to be a relapse since yesterday.

Among the suspicious cases reported yesterday was that of a boy named Roy, living at Miro and Esplanade streets. Three doctors were sent to make a careful observation of the case. This afternoon he was pronounced to be unquestionably yellow fever, and as having apparently had its origin at Ocean Springs, or in the vicinity of that town. As soon as the report was received, the board of health took charge of the house, quarantined the inmates, placed guards so that no one might come into close proximity with the premises, and set to work thoroughly to disinfect the neighborhood. A brother of the patient, who had left the premises some time before the official announcement, was given a permit to return, but orders were issued that under no circumstances was he to let him or any member of the household again leave the premises.

To a representative of the Associated Press, President Oliphant said this afternoon: "Of course I have made this announcement of the existence of the seven cases of yellow fever in New Orleans with sincere regret, but there was no alternative left me under my pledge to keep faith with the public here and elsewhere. I do not think, however, there is occasion here for serious alarm unless conditions shall grow materially worse. We shall have to await developments."

"An earlier announcement of the diagnosis of the St. Claude street cases was not possible. The board of experts, which is composed of able, efficient and experienced physicians, had made repeated visits to these patients, but they insisted that they should be allowed their own time within which to make a complete diagnosis. They desired to be perfectly sure before pronouncing the sickness to be yellow fever. They reached a conclusion as soon as they were practicable, and four days ago they warned the country that all of the twelve cases were suspicious.

"Personally, I am unable to say whether or not the cases are of a mild or severe type. The absence of mortality would seem to indicate that they are in the former class. That there has been no spread would seem to strengthen that view. I have no reason to doubt, however, that the complete sanitation of the neighborhood, instituted by the board, and the rigid quarantine enforced on the disease to the St. Claude street square, in which the cases originated, and I take hope from this fact that we shall still be able to confine the fever within its present limits.

"The situation is certainly no worse than it was four or five days ago, for the disease being yellow fever then must be now.

"We have had a total of eight cases since one death, the origin of all of which may be traced to the infected towns on the Mississippi coast. They may all be classed as importations."

"I see no occasion for any panic in New Orleans. The general health of the city is good, and it is rapidly being put in the sanitary condition. There is no present apprehension of an epidemic, and I have reason to hope that we shall continue to be masters of the situation."

A number of additional suspicious cases were again reported to the board of health today. In each instance physicians were at once dispatched to investigate. These reports were uniformly found to be groundless. The number of

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OF THE TELEGRAPH NEWS

The Ward line steamer Niagara aground off Santiago de Cuba.

New Mexico's "Enchanted Mesa" scaled by Smithsonian scientists and Indian tradition proves to be the truth.

Thirteen Arkansas boys and men steal a ride in their search for work. The whole party crushed in a wreck caused by a broken truck.

Deputy sheriffs believe they have the Ripon train holdups located and expect to make an early capture; crimes in various parts of the country.