

HEROES TO THE LAST.

No Fear Among the Men on the Lost Spanish Warship.

DOOM IN THE DARKNESS.

A Mistake in Interpreting a Signal Caused the Fatal Collision.

DISCIPLINE WAS MAINTAINED.

Many of Those Who Refused to Leave the Sinking Vessels Seized by Sharks.

HAVANA, CUBA, Sept. 21.—The following are the particulars of the accident off El Morro, Cuba, on Wednesday, when the Spanish warship Sanchez Barciztegui sank.

The Sanchez Barciztegui left the bay of Havana with Admiral Manuel Delgado Parejo and his staff. She was about to make a circular cruise around the island. She cleared from her moorings at 11:30 o'clock on Wednesday night, steering for the narrow channel leading to the open sea.

Captain Ibanez's signal failing to elicit an instant reply he repeated the single blast, but as less than the usual time interval elapsed between the two incoming steamers, the Mortera, interpreted it as one signal of two blasts, indicating the port helm.

This made the collision inevitable. They kept bow on to each other. Captain Ibanez, realizing the great and instant peril, gave the order for full speed astern and ordered his wheel hard over to meet the new and unexpected condition of things.

Before he could stop his headway the two iron steamers came together with a dreadful blow and crash. It was 5 minutes past 12 when they struck. Even in the face of instant death full and perfect discipline was maintained on board the Sanchez Barciztegui.

The admiral, advanced in years and in poor health, in a quiet, self-possessed tone of voice, replied: "Report what you have said to me to your captain and add that he may take any precautions he deems necessary."

Obediently this order, Lieutenant Junco reported to the captain, who issued his final orders. Previously Captain Ibanez had ordered the loading and firing of a cannon as a signal for help, but time did not permit. All boats were floated.

Then followed a remarkable scene. The rough-and-ready sailors entered into a contest of generosity and heroic self-denial. "I will wait for the last boat—I have no one to mourn me," said one. Another cry was heard, "You that have wives and children get into the boats."

The brave fellows refused to be first. The same spirit actuated all officers and men alike. They were cool and self-possessed. The captain and his officers surrounded the venerable admiral on the bridge. The latter insisted on being the last to leave the ship.

"Admiral," said Lieutenant Junco, "if your Excellency wishes, you can be lowered to a boat," which he declined, saying: "Thanks, my son; although aged I can help myself." Then the admiral addressed the crew: "Haste men, let all save themselves."

The ship was sinking under them into the deep waters of El Morro. Almost by force the admiral was placed in a boat. Lieutenant Garcia Junco still remained on board when a general cry went up that the ship was sinking. The third boat, containing the admiral, was still alongside, when an effort was made to clear her.

The air was filled with shrieks, prayers and cries—fearful, heartrending cries—some shouting farewell to mothers, wives and children. This solemn and dreadful

scene was made simply awful by the appearance of many sharks. The harbors and coast of Cuba are known for its man-eating sharks.

Some of the unfortunate men were seized by the legs and drawn under, while others sank beneath the waves. While this fearful scene was being enacted the brave and gallant captain of the Mortera, Jose de Vinolas, had lowered all of his boats, and forty-five officers and men were rescued, but for his assistance, would have been drowned within a hundred yards of a great and populous city.

ESCAPE OF PRISONERS.

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBR., Sept. 26.—A clever piece of jail-breaking was performed here last night by four prisoners confined in the cage at the County Jail in this city whereby all made good their escape.

The escape was made by locating a weak place in the jail floor, near the washstand, where constant damp had caused it to rust almost through. By the use of a piece of iron off the bedstead a hole was made through the sheet steel about eighteen inches long and twelve inches wide. Through this hole James Kelly, held for grand larceny, John Knox, Albert and Frank Alby, held for horse-stealing, escaped.

The job was performed about 9 o'clock last night, but was not discovered till late this morning. Kelly, who was held for robbery, is an all-around crook, having served terms in the penitentiary. He is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high and weighs about 160 pounds.

INTERRUPTED BY CHEERS.

The Duke of Cambridge Made a Speech in Answer to Charges.

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 26.—The Duke of Cambridge, whose retirement as commander-in-chief of the forces was recently announced, and who was succeeded by Lord Wolsley, made a long speech at a luncheon which was given in his honor today in Edinburgh.

He said he regretted to have seen lately that a strong notion existed that a member of the royal family was not suited to the chief command of the army. He held that a royal person could be placed without necessarily considering his high degree in any position for which he might be found to be fitted.

When a member of the royal family was found fit for his position, he continued, the public ought to be delighted to see him so placed. If he had gone about for thirty-nine years twirling his fingers and smoking cigars in the streets of London the people would not have thought much of him.

He only hoped that his successors would find their careers feeling as much sentiment toward their office as he experienced at the moment. He had been consoled by the knowledge that he had done his duty in such a way that the army and the whole country had been satisfied.

The Duke of Cambridge was frequently interrupted by cheers during the delivery of his speech, which has created a sensation as an unexpected and outspoken valdictory.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

MANITOWOC, Wis., Sept. 26.—The northern part of this county is raging with forest fires. At Tisch Mills, fifteen miles from here, the barns and buildings of John Bouda and Joseph Leidle were burned this afternoon.

Other farmers close by are moving all their goods away, and unless the fire abates their buildings will also go. The fires are being stubbornly fought by the farmers. Fires are also raging several miles further west of Tisch Mills, and the farmers there are also moving everything away and expect to see their buildings burn at any time.

WARRANTS ISSUED ILLEGALLY. PERRY, O. T., Sept. 26.—During the investigation of county warrants before Judge Bierer it was found that \$30,000 worth had been issued illegally, and they were knocked out. Most of these warrants were held by persons in Iowa. Warrants for building and furnishing the County Jail for \$5000 worth of stationery and books were included in the list.

New Jersey Forest Fires. EGG HARBOR, N. J., Sept. 26.—Forest fires threatened this city today. A change of the wind caused the fire to enter the city limits, and a general alarm was sounded. Every man in town was out fighting the flames, the roar of which could be heard for miles. Many persons were overcome by the intense heat. A residence and a barn were burned.

An Insane Murderer. DAVENPORT, IOWA, Sept. 26.—A special to the Daily Republican from Clinton, Iowa, says: The jury in the case of August Swanson, who last March beheaded his son with a hatchet, to-day decided that the prisoner is insane and he was taken to Independence to-night for treatment.

APPEAL FOR IRELAND.

Birth Given to a New Organization at the Convention.

LIKE FENIAN BROTHERS.

Patriots Will No Longer Entrust Their Cause to Parliament.

GREAT PLAN OF OPERATIONS.

Independence of the Island to Be Secured by Any Means Consistent With Law.

CHICAGO, ILL., Sept. 26.—Birth was given by the Irish National Convention this afternoon to an organization which has for its avowed object the liberation of Ireland from England's yoke by a policy of physical force.

The plan of operations adopted provides for a central council, with authority to issue charters for state organizations. Membership is limited to people of Irish birth or descent, and who shall pledge themselves to aid in the liberation of Ireland by any means "consistent with the laws and usages of civilized nations."

The qualifications for membership shall be good moral character, birth on Irish soil or descent from Irish parentage on paternal or maternal side or both and the taking of the following pledge: I, hereby pledge my word of honor to aid by every means within my power in conformity with the constitution and by-laws of the Irish National Alliance in securing the independence of Ireland.

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The report of the committee on platform and resolutions was presented by O'Neill Ryan of St. Louis and was unanimously adopted amid great cheering. It read thus: "The people of Ireland are a sovereign people. Ireland is by nature separate from every other country and liberty is the birthright of her people."

Senator Allison Opened the Iowa Republican State Campaign. Greatest of All the Errors of Cleveland's Administration Was the Issuance of Bonds.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA, Sept. 26.—Senator Allison was the principal speaker here to-day at the opening of the Republican State campaign under the auspices of the Iowa Traveling Men's Republican Club.

William Greer Harrison Pays a Visit to the Champion. NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Accompanied by Sir Edward Russell, Irwin C. Stump, Ned Townsend and W. J. Ritchie, I visited Corbett at his training-quarters. He did four hours' work of the most exacting kind.

ROCK SPRINGS, WYO., Sept. 26.—The first record of the bones of a prehistoric animal of the monkey species by Professor J. L. Wortman of Columbia College, New York, has amused old-time cattlemen of this section, who claim that the bones found are those of a pet monkey which was owned by cowboys some twelve years ago.

GOVERNOR MORRILL'S ILLNESS. TOPEKA, KANS., Sept. 26.—Governor Morrill, who has been ill most of the time since he was in Kansas City, Kans., Labor day, has canceled his engagements to speak at Salina, Mo., Sept. 27, and to return to-morrow and at the State Irrigation Convention at Garden City October 1, and went to his home at Hiawatha to-day to rest and will stay there till he is better.

HANGED IN THE PENITENTIARY. COLUMBUS, OHIO, Sept. 27.—Martin Adams was hanged in the penitentiary annex in the presence of a few newspaper correspondents and officials from Hamilton County and the penitentiary. At 12:05 o'clock he appeared on the scaffold, dressed in brown trousers and black coat, and when asked by Warden James if he had any statement to make, replied: "I forgive all who brought me to this place."

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SINGLE-TAXERS WORK.

Advancement of the Big Task in the State of Delaware.

LARGE MEETINGS HELD.

Congressman Maguire Sends News to "The Call" of His Mission.

CONVERTS TO THE TEACHINGS.

Pastors of Various Denominations Among Those Who Are Favorable to the Cause.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Sept. 26.—I find the single-tax movement much further advanced here and much more promising than I had expected. We had immense meetings last night and to-night, attended largely by leading citizens and deep interest was manifested.

A band of single-tax missionaries in uniform are traveling through the State distributing literature, speaking at meetings and pressing the agitation by individual discourses. It is said that the movement is much stronger in Newcastle County and that the opposition is most aggressive and determined in Dover and vicinity.

An old gentleman at my meeting to-night proceeded to make a speech in opposition to the single tax when recognized to ask a question, saying: "This single tax is going to be adopted in Delaware before it is half understood."

Campbell, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and Howard, pastor of Asbury Methodist Church, have announced themselves as single-taxers and two other ministers have expressed favorable opinions. If the success already attained continues proportionately we will surely carry the State on the question in November of next year.

GIANT POWDER EXPLODED.

Six Miners Met Instant Death and Two Others Were Fatally Injured.

UNFORTUNATE MEN KILLED BY A CAVE-IN WHILE WORKING IN A DRIFT.

LEADVILLE, COLO., Sept. 26.—Sixty-five pounds of giant powder exploded this afternoon in the Belgian mine in Adelaide Park, five miles from this city. Ten miners were at work in the drifts at the time, and it is believed that a miner carrying the powder from one drift to another let it fall.

The explosion caused a cave-in, resulting in the instant death of six and the fatal injury of two more. Help was sent from the city to hasten the work of rescue of the wounded and dead. The only miner who could tell how the explosion occurred was brought to the city to-night so badly injured that he cannot talk. He is now at the hospital and will die.

The six bodies were brought to the morgue and have been identified as follows: Clark McGinnis, John Phillips, James H. Gray, Ed Kuhne, Chris Hamill and John Baggis.

BIGAMY AND SUICIDE. DEER ISLE, ME., Sept. 26.—Mrs. Violet Haskel, who became notorious some weeks ago by marrying Professor Bristor of Cincinnati, a negro musician, while having a living white husband here, was found dead in the woods yesterday afternoon. She undoubtedly committed suicide, as a revolver was lying on her breast. A bullet had entered her right temple.

Soon after the account of her bigamous marriage was published she returned here with her child, and since then was released by Haskel, her legitimate husband.

BROKEN BY BOONS. ABILENE, KANS., Sept. 26.—The Lebold, Fisher & Co. estate has been practically closed up by Assignee John Johnst, who held an auction sale of the remaining real estate, and a final dividend will be declared soon. Creditors, who held claims amounting to \$300,000 against the bank, and the individual members of the firm have received 3 per cent and may get 2 per cent more in dividends. Boom additions and loans guaranteed to Eastern investors broke the institution.

RAILWAY POSTAL CLERKS. KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept. 26.—The Seventh Division of the National Railway Postal Clerks' Association met in special session at the Federal court room to-day. President S. E. Estinger of St. Louis presided and Secretary J. F. Johnson of Kansas City kept the minutes. The business before the convention is to revise the constitution of the association and to discuss the railway postal clerks' classification bill.

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