

NO TRACE IS FOUND OF THE MISSING BOATS

Searches for the Lost Men of the Cleveland Not Successful.

Canadian Officials Will Not Permit American Tugs to Rescue Vessels Stranded in British Waters—Raid of Indians Checked.

ALBERNI, B. C., Dec. 17.—The steamer Quadra, the Dominion Government vessel dispatched from Victoria for the relief of the Cleveland survivors, arrived on the scene this morning. The Call correspondent on board questioned Captain Hall on the missing boats, but he has no good news to report.

The captain has taken every means in his power to find the missing members of his crew. Search parties were sent out along the coast and to the neighboring islands, but as yet no traces have been found of them, and no pieces of wreckage, such as were to be expected if the boats had been dashed upon the rocks.

The Cleveland was found in about ten feet of water off what is known as Lyall Point. The vessel has received remarkably little damage, and is stranded on a level bottom and with the apparent exception of a few small holes, which as yet cannot be located, is in good condition. The Cleveland did not go upon the reef which was the point of apparent danger when Captain Hall gave the orders to take to the boats, but miraculously avoiding the certain destruction which would have followed a striking on the reef drifted further up Barclay Sound.

It is the judgment of the party of the Albatross including the inspector of boats and insurance adjuster, that the ship can be saved with very little damage to the hull as soon as the necessary lumber can be brought and if no further heavy weather intervenes.

When Captain Hall went on board on last Sunday he found down the hold a white man, McCarthy, who lives with the Indians, and five Indians, all much under the influence of liquor. McCarthy explained that he was protecting the vessel from damage and claimed salvage, but the captain promptly ordered them off, saying that he could take charge and protect the vessel. The marauders had taken everything movable, even to the chairs, tables and chandeliers, some of which were found in McCarthy's house. The materials had been ripped open and the hair thrown about, the table dishes stolen and broken, the captain's instruments appropriated and the team's and passengers' personal effects and bedding carried away.

In the hold everything portable had been taken and casks and boxes broken open in search for whisky. Some whisky and other liquors had been found and with it the entire Indian camp had been made drunk. On Monday there appeared on the vessel a man named Leach, a Justice of the Peace of the neighborhood, who stated that he was there to protect the interest of his client, McCarthy, who claimed a right to the vessel as the first man on the boat and as the protector of the cargo, but Captain Hall decidedly refused to allow him to take possession.

The Indians, however, persisted in annoying him and but for the timely assistance of Constable Cox of Alberni further outrages might have been committed. Indian Agent Guilford also arrived and he had to control the savages. The cargo, however, has been almost entirely looted by the Indians, about 200 tons being carried away bodily, and not content with taking what they could, they wantonly destroyed what they were unable to carry.

states that a white man named McDonald actually removed some articles from her and made a claim for salvage, as the first to board the wreck. Collector Milne says the claim is absurd. It has been reported to the Collector that an American tug has been sent to effect salvage from the Vesta, and Mr. Milne has therefore wired orders that this is not to be permitted, as the wreck has been handed over to him as receiver, and in any event, being in Canadian waters, she cannot be operated upon by a foreign wrecking vessel.

OFF THE COLUMBIA. Seven Vessels Have a Perilous Time for Several Days During the Gale.

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 17.—The masters of the delayed vessels which arrived in late yesterday evening were on the streets and at the Consul's office today, apparently very glad to get into port. Captain Anderson of the Lumitigowahira, 141 days from Astoria, reported bad weather when coming around the Horn, and more or less bad weather all the way up the Pacific. No mishaps were met with, however, until arrival off the Columbia River, where he was detained six days by the storm. Last Saturday he lost his main topgallant mast and a number of sails.

Captain Smith of the Annesly, ninety-six days from Montevideo, reported fair weather, except off Cape Horn, where very heavy storms were encountered. Fair weather was had for the rest of the voyage until reaching the mouth of the Columbia River, off which she had to beat about for seven days. The captain says he became so disgusted at not being able to get a pilot that he thought of going to the Sound. On arrival in port, however, he learned that the pilot schooner was stormbound in the harbor and could not get out. He said it was his opinion that harbors like this and San Francisco should have steam pilot-boats. In 58 south and 75 west he passed through a lot of wreckage which appeared to be the bulwarks of a wooden ship. About 150 miles southwest of the Columbia he spoke the British ship Principality, whose captain reported all well. After crossing into the river yesterday he learned that so it could bring in another of the delayed vessels, and the Annesly sailed up the harbor.

Captain Mohan of the British bark Gairgon Castle said that he had nothing special to report on his voyage of 107 days.

NEWS OF THE DAY

- Weather forecast for San Francisco—Fair on Saturday; fresh westerly winds.
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PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

JAPAN'S POSITION NOT CHANGED

Minister Hoshi Has Not Withdrawn His Protest.

Not an Active Opposition to the Annexation of Hawaii.

The Asian Empire Will Maintain the Attitude It Assumed at First.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Herald's Washington correspondent telegraphs: The dispatch published in a New York paper this morning to the effect that Minister Toru Hoshi yesterday presented a note to Secretary Sherman withdrawing on behalf of his Government the previous protest of Japan concerning the annexation of Hawaii is without foundation. Mr. Hoshi called at the State Department yesterday for the first time since his return from Japan, merely to formally pay his respects to the secretary of State. He remained only a few minutes with Secretary Sherman, and nothing was said about the withdrawal of the Japanese protests. It is officially announced, both at the State Department and at the Japanese Legation, that no note has been filed by Mr. Hoshi since his return.

A high official of the Japanese Legation said to me to-night: "The relations between the United States and Japan regarding the Hawaiian question are entirely unchanged. Mr. Hoshi's instructions from the imperial government are not of a nature to change the policy of his negotiations with the State Department. Japan will firmly maintain the attitude she has assumed, which is not one of unfriendliness to the United States nor of opposition to the annexation of Hawaii." Figures presented to the State Department in the report of Consul-General William Hayward, at Honolulu, seem to substantiate the declaration of the Japanese Government that the reports that Japanese immigrants are flooding the Hawaiian islands are untrue. The total number of Japanese in the islands, Mr. Hayward says, is less than 25,000, 11,199 of whom are employed on sugar plantations. There are 6861 Chinese employed on the sugar plantations, 1902 Portuguese and 1336 Hawaiians.

MOTIVES ARE MISUNDERSTOOD.

So M. de Rodays Withdraws From the Figaro Until the Dreyfus Controversy is Over.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Figaro publishes this morning a leading article by Fernand de Rodays, in which, after justifying the course which the Figaro has taken in connection with reopening the Dreyfus case, M. de Rodays announces that since his motives have been misunderstood he will withdraw from active participation in the management of the paper until this controversy shall have come to an end.

Dead Whale Towed to Shore.

SANTA BARBARA, Dec. 17.—An 80-foot whale was ashore on the beach near Naples this morning. The leviathan was towed there by fishermen, who found it dead in the channel some miles from shore.

Goes Out of Commission To-Day.

VALLEJO, Dec. 17.—The cruiser Philadelphia will be put out of commission at noon to-morrow. No orders have as yet been received regarding repairs to be made.

BOILED ALIVE IN A BATHTUB

Frightful Fate of a Matt Hennessy Killed on a Ranch Near Sacramento.

Hot Water Turned On Instead of Cold, and Fatal Burns Inflicted.

Of Course the Attendant Was Discharged for His Most Criminal Carelessness.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—The facts of a frightful death have just leaked from within the walls of Medfield Insane Asylum, in Medfield, Mass. A helpless inmate, William W. Spearling, 42 years old, of this city, was boiled to death, being taken from the scalding water of a bathtub to die horribly a short time later. The person who through his negligence is directly responsible is no longer connected with the place.

On the evening of November 30 Spearling was placed in a bathtub at that place for the purpose of receiving a special bath. The water was turned on as usual, it was thought, through pipes which united so as to mingle the hot and cold at even temperature. Spearling sat in the tub, and a short time later it was discovered the water was boiling. The man was taken from the tub horribly blistered. For twenty-four hours he suffered and then breathed his last. Spearling's wife and friends were notified of the death, which was due, the doctors' certificate said, to "shock from burns." The body was buried and the full story of the affair did not come out till to-day.

Dr. French, superintendent of the Medfield Asylum, says that probably the hot water was turned on instead of both hot and cold. He says: "It was one of those accidents that are liable to occur at any time. I discharged the attendant as soon as he told his story. The attendants have their rules to go by in the matter of giving baths and these certainly were violated." Dr. French states that the patient's physical condition was such, especially so far as the nerves of feeling in the skin were concerned, that there was absolutely no sensation in the skin. He did not feel the heat of the water and had no idea that it was too hot until the attendant himself discovered the fact.

TWO BOLD ROBBERS

Attempt a Daylight Hold-up in the Business Center of Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—A bold attempt to rob the jewelry store of W. H. Maynard & Co., at 16 Brattle square, in the very heart of the city, at the point of a pistol, was made at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The attempt was made by two men between 25 and 30 years old. They entered the store together, and one of them stepped up to the showcase and asked to see some gold rings. Mr. Maynard drew a tray containing about twenty-five rings from the window. Suddenly and without any previous warning the second man drew a pistol and shoved it into Mr. Maynard's face.

"Give me your money," he cried. Mr. Maynard threw the tray of rings into the faces of the two robbers and dropped behind the counter. There was a pistol loaded, lying there. As he drops down he seized the pistol and arose instantly to his feet. He aimed the pistol at the heads of the two robbers. The act caused the men, and they turned without a word and bolted through the door, escaping.

DEATH RESULTS FROM HIS JOKE

Shot by His Employer While Pretending to Steal Chickens.

Ex-Assemblyman Eben Owen Takes a Life While Gunning for Marauders.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.—Rancher Eben Owen, a prominent Native Son and ex-Assemblyman, is under arrest at Franklin, seven miles from this city, for the killing of Matt Hennessy, his hired man. The homicide was the result of a practical joke, of which Owen was to have been the victim, and the affair is one of the most peculiar that has ever come to the attention of the officers of this county, and is deeply deplored by the ex-assemblyman's many friends.

For some time past Rancher Owen has suffered losses from the depredations of chicken thieves. He has tried in various ways to surprise and capture the culprits, but without success. So much did this annoy him that he frequently expressed to his employees his desire to get the thieves into close quarters.

To-night Hennessy resolved upon a practical joke wherewith to "get the laugh" upon his employer, with whom he was on friendly terms. He caught a chicken, put it into a sack and climbed a tree, carrying the fowl with him. Once ensconced on one of the top limbs of the tree he caused the chicken to squawk in order to attract the attention of Owen. The tree in which he was perched was directly over the henhouse, and it was evidently Hennessy's idea that the farmer would believe that the cackling came from the henhouse and he would have a fine time watching proceedings from his high vantage while Owen would be making trips to the barnyard to see what was causing the commotion among his fowls.

Hennessy's plan worked far too well. Instead of rushing out to the henhouse with the idea of catching the thief the rancher crawled on his hands and knees stealthily toward the building. When near the door he discovered that the squawking of the chicken came from the tree and he saw perched in the branches what seemed to be the figure of a man. Owen called to the fellow to come down. Receiving no answer, he took quick aim and fired toward the figure in the tree. Without uttering a cry Hennessy dropped from his position, bounded from limb to limb and finally fell in a limp mass at the feet of his employer. He had been instantly killed by the charge of shot.

When Owen bent over the corpse he found that the dead man was his employee. He was overcome by grief at the result of his shot, and, after having the body of Hennessy carried into his dwelling and cared for, he at once surrendered to his brother, Henry Owen, the constable in Franklin district, and is now held in the latter's custody. Sheriff Frank Johnson and Coroner Clark have left the scene of the killing.

In this city, where ex-Assemblyman Owen is well known, the unfortunate affair is deeply regretted.

SHIPS ARE HURRYING TO THE FAR EAST

The Cruiser Raleigh Ordered From Smyrna to the Asiatic Station.

It Is Said the Administration Anticipates the Partition of China by the Powers, Led by Germany, but Secretary Long Will Not Admit This.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A Washington special to the Herald says: The cruiser Raleigh, now at Smyrna, under command of Rear-Admiral Selfridge, has been ordered to the Asiatic station. Instructions were sent by cable to-day to Rear-Admiral Selfridge. Secretary Long told me that the transfer was only significant in showing the purpose of the administration to keep a large force in that section of the globe.

Among naval officers the opinion is advanced that the administration is preparing for the general partition of China, which is now said to be under consideration by the European powers. It was also hinted that the authorities are anxious about the safety of Americans and their interests on account of the landing of the Germans at Kiao Chau.

Secretary Long told me, however, that the German matter had nothing to do with the assignment of the Raleigh. The Raleigh will have a seven-thousand mile trip, and is expected to cover the distance within three weeks.

The vessels which will be in Eastern waters on the arrival of the Raleigh will be the Olympia (flagship), the Boston, Petrel and Monocacy. The Helena will leave New York in a few days for the East via the Suez Canal, but her orders do not require her to report to the commander-in-chief at the Asiatic station until next summer. The Marietta and Concord also soon proceed to the East. The Marietta is now at Sitka, Alaska, and upon being relieved by the Wheeling will cross the Pacific and join Commodore Dewey's fleet.

GERMANY IS SENDING ADDITIONAL TROOPS TO THE FAR EAST.

The North German Lloyd Steamer Darmstadt Pressed Into Service as a Transport.

KIEL, Dec. 17.—Before leaving the cruiser Deutschland last evening Emperor William, standing beside his brother, Prince Henry, who was on the cruiser's bridge, addressed the assembled crew. He said he was convinced they would be ever mindful of the high honor of serving on board a ship bearing the name of the common fatherland. No other ship, his Majesty added, bore a grander name.

Continuing, the Emperor reminded the crew that they represented all the German races, adding: "But always stand together and do honor in the vessel's name and in a crisis, I am confident that you will maintain good discipline and prove yourselves worthy of your honorable mission." His Majesty then wished the crew goodspeed.

WILHELMSHAVEN, Dec. 17.—The North German Lloyd steamer Darmstadt, having on board a detachment of troops for China, sailed from here to-day. She was cheered by large crowds of people.

BRUNSBUTTEL, Dec. 17.—The German cruiser Deutschland arrived here at 3 o'clock. Prince Henry of Prussia stood at the lockgates awaiting her arrival and waved her hand to her husband, who was on the bridge. Prince Henry landed and then re-embarked with his wife and son Waldemar, who remained on board until 5 o'clock, when the Deutschland resumed her journey, and the Princess and her mother returned to Kiel.

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—The North German Gazette, commenting on the departure of Prince Henry of Prussia for China, says: "It was a moving scene to see the two brothers on the bridge of the German cruiser Deutschland bidding each other adieu in a lingering embrace. The Emperor snook hands with all the officers before he departed."

The imperial speeches at Kiel are the subject of much adverse comment, more especially Prince Henry's phrases as to carrying "the gospel of your Majesty's hallowed person" into China, which greatly offends religious sentiment. The Tageblatt confesses that the phrase is beyond its "humble powers of comprehension."

The Vorwaerts invites Cardinal Kopp and Archbishop Stabinski to "solve the riddle of what this new gospel is." Replying in the Reichstag to-day to Herr Fromme's criticism of the military bill, Prussian Councillor Ittenbach said, in introducing the measure, the Government had not pretended to satisfy the social democracy. He said: "Our discipline is unconditional devotion to the King, unconditional obedience to our superiors and good comradeship. So long as discipline is maintained we do not fear the realization of socialistic schemes."

CHINA WILL CONSENT TO GIVE KIAO CHAU TO THE GERMANS

Russia and France Do Not Like the Precipitancy With Which the Kaiser Act-d. LONDON, Dec. 17.—A special dispatch from Shanghai asserts that China will acquiesce in Germany's retention of Kiao Chau. Russia and France are irritated at Germany's precipitancy, thus prematurely disclosing her plans to England and Japan in a manner likely, says the dispatch, to defeat the object in view.

ALL UP WITH ZANOLI.

The Weeping and Murderous Barber Practically Confesses His Many Crimes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Zanoli, the barber, suspected of at least seven murders, probably eight, practically confessed his crimes to-day. To Rev. G. C. Berkmeier he said: "I have lost. There is no hope for me."

Rev. Dr. Berkmeier is director of the Wartburg Farm School, near Mount Vernon, where Zanoli's two children, Lottie and Charles, were placed temporarily in 1895. Mr. Berkmeier called on Zanoli to-day in the tombs. The weeping barber went more copiously than ever before, and then acknowledged he had given up hope. He had learned of the testimony of two physicians who had attended his daughter Lottie, and knew that he had been caught in the lie at last.

That lie was the one he told about Lottie dying from an injury. The doctor's testimony shows he had died from unknown cause. The same doctor charged Zanoli with poisoning the girl.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

Carl Schurz Is Once More Elected President of the League.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—The National Civil Service Reform League to-day re-elected Carl Schurz president by acclamation. The remainder of the officers selected are as follows: Vice-president—Charles Francis Adams, Boston; Henry Hitchcock, St. Louis; Henry C. Hasler, Philadelphia; A. McDonough, New York; Franklin McVeagh, Chicago; J. Hall Peasants, Baltimore; Right Rev. P. C. Porter, New York; Right Rev. P. J. Ryan, Philadelphia; Secretary, George M. Carney, New York; Treasurer, A. S. Frissel, New York. Resolutions were adopted calling on Congress to enact a civil service reform.

FRENCH STATESMEN UNDER ARREST

Found to Be Implicated in the Panama Canal Scandal.

Result of the Report of the Parliament Committee's Recent Investigations.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—In consequence of the report of the Parliament committee which has been inquiring into the financial, and especially the Panama, dealing of members of Parliament, M. Antide Boyer, representing the Fifth District of Versailles, and MM. Planteau Laisant and Guillard, former members of the Chamber of Deputies, have been arrested. M. Boyer was one of the leaders of the Socialist party of Versailles and took part in the communique movement in 1871.

M. Maret represents the arrondissement of San Cerri. He belongs to the extreme left in the Chamber, but is above all an independent. He first came into prominence by his lively criticism of the policy and personality of Gambetta, and in 1885 he protested in the name of liberty against the expulsion of "the pretender" Leter. As editor-in-chief of L'Radical he combated the policy and dictatorial methods of General Boulanger.

RELIEF FOR YUKON MINERS.

Army Officers Detained to Attend to the Transportation.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Brigadier-General H. C. Merriam, commanding the Department of the Columbia, was in consultation this afternoon with a committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce regarding the transportation of relief to the Yukon miners. General Merriam, in accordance with instructions from Secretary of War Alger, will detail two officers, who will probably leave here for Dyea on the steamer Elder, which sails on December 23. General Merriam has not yet designated the officers who are to proceed to Dyea, but will probably issue the order to-morrow. The Klondike relief committee has engaged eighty-five men, whose services will be offered to the War Department in transporting supplies to the miners.