

SUNKEN ROCKS A SEA MYSTERY

Skipper Gives Light on Hidden Danger Between San Francisco and Tahiti

Submerged Islands, He Says, Probably Explain the Loss of Many Ships in the Past

HONOLULU, April 26.—Sunken rocks on the path of sailing vessels plying between San Francisco and Honolulu have been the cause of the mysterious disappearance of many vessels in the winter time.

Captain B. F. Chapman, formerly a resident of Tahiti and now of Honolulu, who was a ship captain in the coast-Tahiti trade for many years, has discovered that these sunken rocks, if found, would clear up many mysteries of the sea.

As far back as 1850 a low land was discovered by the bark Du Mont de Ville on a voyage from San Francisco to Tahiti, but I don't think it has ever been seen since.

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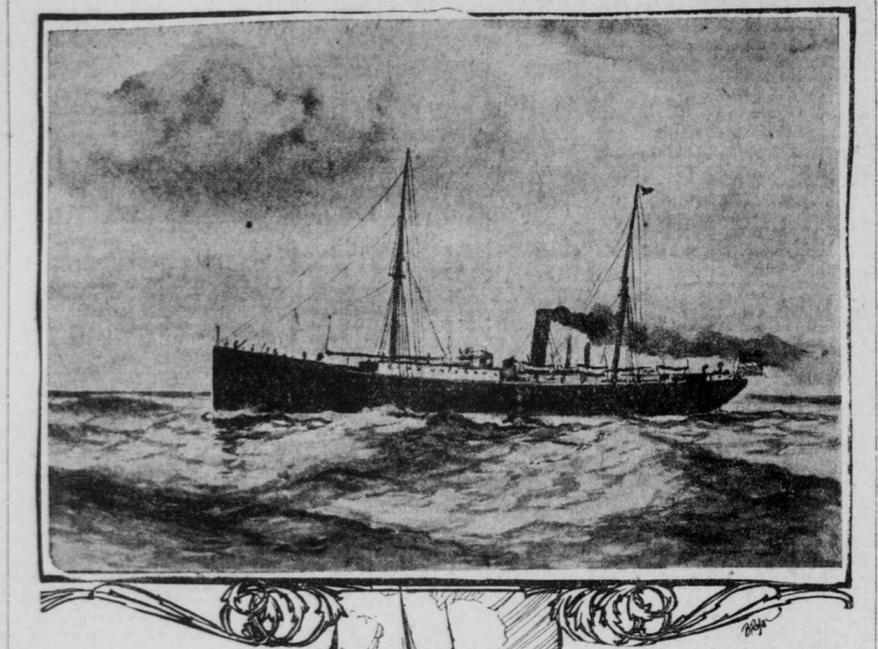
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Sun, Moon and Tide. United States Coast and Geodetic Survey—Time and Height of High and Low Waters at Port Point, entrance to San Francisco Bay.

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NEW STEAMER NUSHAGAK DEPARTS FOR THE NORTH ON MAJESTIC VOYAGE

Stout Little Vessel Is Carrying Large Cargo of Cannery Supplies and Has on Board Quite a Number of the Executive Officers of the Alaska Packers' Association



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RIFLE RANGE IS A SUCCESS

Rapid Firing Practice Will Begin To-Morrow at Rodeo by the Tenth Infantry EXERCISE FOR CAVALRY

Captain Cornish and His Troopers Will Give Drill on Golf Grounds To-Day

Lieutenant William H. Patterson, quartermaster at the Rodeo rifle range at Fort Baker, announces that the rapid-firing practice of the Second Battalion of the Tenth Infantry will begin early on Thursday morning.

The new range has proved a success, and the promoters, Captain Frank L. Winn and Lieutenant Patterson, are naturally proud that their work has been rewarded with success.

The colored troopers of the Ninth Cavalry will engage in their usual regulation problem exercise on the golf links this morning at 9 o'clock.

Captain John J. Bradley, Fourteenth Infantry, who was compelled to leave his command in the Philippines, owing to the illness of his wife, has been ordered to report for duty to General MacArthur.

The many friends of Captain Joseph A. Sladen, U. S. A., retired, will regret to learn of his serious illness.

The hospital board of examiners, headed by Colonel George H. Torney, is now in session at the General Hospital.

YOUNG LADIES' SOCIETY WILL ENTERTAIN FRIENDS Programme of Musical and Dramatic Numbers Will Be Presented by Church Women.

The Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Charles Church will give a musical and dramatic entertainment this evening at Mission Turn Verein Hall.

A special programme, consisting of the following numbers, has been prepared: Overture, Hynes' Orchestra; introductory remarks, A. B. Maguire; Irish songs, Miss Barr; jig and reel, Gaelic dancing club, songs, Garden City Sextet.

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THE BEAT OF THE TRAIL

Architect Burnham Is Asked to Dine and Counsel With Seekers for Improvement BIG MOVEMENT STARTS

Leaders in San Francisco's Artistic and Business Life Are Called for Conference

The Association for the Improvement and Adornment of San Francisco will this evening, at a dinner given in honor of D. H. Burnham of Chicago, open up the subject of what may be done to make San Francisco more beautiful and attractive.

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