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SHIPS COLLIDE-- ONE GOES DOWN

BOSTON, DEC. 26.—THE STEAMER DEWEY AND THE CLYDE LINER KIOWA COLLIDED IN BOSTON LIGHT CHANNEL THIS AFTERNOON.

THE LATTER SANK ALMOST IMMEDIATELY.

THE DEWEY, BADLY DISABLED, WAS TOWED BACK TO PORT.

THE CREW OF A NEARBY TUG RESCUED ALL ABOARD OF THE KIOWA.

THREE MEN DROWNED IN BOSTON HARBOR

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—George Coombs, a government employe, William O'Neill and Thomas Jones, blacksmiths, were drowned in the harbor this afternoon by the sudden sinking of the big dredger General Poe.

She was being towed across the harbor when, without any warning, she turned turtle and went to the bottom. There were 13 men on board at the time. Ten of them were rescued by tugs, and but three met death. Great excitement prevailed in the harbor. No cause can be assigned for the strange accident.

MET WITH SAD NEWS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The steamer Cedric, which arrived from England today, brought Miss Lillian Bennett, who expected to marry Ambrose Good, who was killed in the Connelisville wreck while enroute to meet her. The news was broken to her on board the steamer by passengers.

The girl is nearly insane with grief. The immigration authorities made an exception in her case and permitted a brother of the dead man, George Good, to sign a bond for her support.

This morning she accompanied him to his home in McKeesport, where she will attend the funeral of the man she was to marry.

BLIZZARD

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A storm sweeping in from the West struck this city this morning and enveloped the streets and bay in darkness. Ferries drifted helplessly about, unable to keep their bearings.

Steamers leaving quarantine were forced to anchor. The day was almost universally being observed as a holiday. Business being conducted was hampered by darkness, which lasted an hour. The weather bureau says today and last night were the coldest of the year. Ten below zero is expected by nightfall.

Several fires started this afternoon and the high wind made extinguishing them very difficult.

Adelphi Hall, a five-story building on Seventh avenue, was destroyed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—A raging blizzard, accompanied by a decided drop in temperature, struck this place yesterday. At 5 o'clock the temperature registered 32 degrees above, with the wind blowing at a 40-mile rate. At midnight the temperature registered 2 degrees above.

IN MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—Yesterday the temperature fell 31 degrees in four hours, followed by a gale which caused damage amounting to $75,000 in various parts of the city. The temperature was about zero last night.

CHICAGO BELOW ZERO.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Three and one-half inches of snow fell yesterday. The storm was accompanied, in the afternoon, by a gale blowing 40 miles an hour. The thermometer stood at 15 degrtes above zero until 10 o'clock last night, when it fell to 4 degrees below.

The temperature has been 8 below zero here since early this morning. The wind is still high.

BUILDING BLOWN DOWN.

WASHINGTON, Ind., Dec. 26.—A five-story building was blown down here yesterday. Telephone and telegraph lines are all down. The storm was the worst ever seen in this city.

SUDDEN CHANGE.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 26.—Mercury fell 31 degrees here yesterday between 2 and 9 o'clock. The telephone wires are down.

HEAVY WIND AND SNOW.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 26.—A blinding snow storm, accompanied by a wind blowing at the rate of 50 miles an hour, was the condition last night. The storm was accompanied by a sharp fall in temperature. Traffic is maintained with difficulty.

IN KENTUCKY.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26.—A gale blowing at the rate of 50 miles an hour, followed by a blinding stow storm, was the Christmas weather here. The thermometer dropped 20 degrees. Much damage was done.

COLD CONTINUES.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—The cold wave still continues today, with the temperature at zero.

COLD IN TENNESSEE.

KNOVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 26.—The temperature registered 17 degrees above zero here this morning.

FORTUNE HAS DISAPPEARED

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Startling developments have come to light regarding the affairs of George Grace, a prominent business man, who committed suicide here Thursday morning. It was thought that he was wealthy and, so far as can be learned, he was possessed of considerable money until a short time ago. Now even articles of valuable jewelry which he was known to have possessed have disappeared and no trace of them can be found.

Less than six months ago Grace had $8,000, and since that time he has drawn $2,000 from the commission firm of which he is a member. He had a gold watch worth $200 and diamonds valued in the neighborhood of $2,000. All of his money and jewelry has disappeared, and creditors are appearing on every side.

It has been found that his wife, a Mexican woman, who was with him several months ago in Seattle, had to leave on account of his riotous living. An inquest will be held this afternoon by Coroner Hoye.

PLAGUE

BUTLER, Pa., Dec. 26.—The seventy-eighth victim of the typhoid plague died here this morning. Five died yesterday.

MURDERED AT A CHRISTMAS BALL

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 26.—During a drunken brawl at a dance in a colony of Finlanders near Eureka one man was killed and another mortally wounded, last night. A woman is badly bruised up and two men are in jail.

The trouble was started by John and Herman Blackman, brothers. One of the brothers struck Charles Peterson, who went for a shotgun. As he was leaving the room one of the Blackman brothers threw a beer bottle at him, which struck Miss Cronlof in the face, knocking her teeth out and otherwise badly injuring her.

When Peterson returned with the shotgun Herman Blackman attempted to take it from him. In the scuffle both barrels were discharged, the lead striking John Eastman, who had not been in the trouble. He was killed instantly. This, however, did not stop the fight and John Blackman received the third shot, which will likely prove fatal.

GORMON IS FAVORITE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Times has made a poll of the democratic senators and congressman to ascertain their choice for presidential candidate. Gorman was favored by 12 senators and 30 representatives. Parker was next and third choice was Cockrell. Hearst was favored by three representatives only.

DOWIE'S FOLLOWERS PARADE IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Dowie's host invaded Seattle's business section last night and the songs of the followers of "Elijah II" could be heard in any part of the downtown district. At first many of the people on the street did not know what sort of an army the singers composed, but from the character of the song which they sang it was soon evident that they were the followers of the self-appointed prophet.

"The Beautiful City of Zion," an old hymn adopted by the Dowieites as appropriate, was sung from Yesler way to Pike street. Unlike the Salvation Army and some other organizations in their marches, the Dowieites walked slowly and leisurely up and down the streets. Every few blocks the procession of several hundred would stop and a few addresses would be made from the street corners.

Several men who had been imbibing Christmas cheer a little too freely joined in the procession and their voices joined those of the faithful in the Zion song. The pilgrimage through the streets ended at the church of the followers of Dowie in North Seattle.

COLORED PASTOR HAS NEW THEORY

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—J. M. Webb, pastor of the Church of God, sprung a sensation on his colored congregation yesterday when he announced from the pulpit that Jesus Christ was a direct descendant of the colored race and that the blood of the colored man flowed through the veins of the Savior. Solomon and Moses, according to the colored pastor, were also of the same race as himself.

Elder Webb argued that Jacob's sons both had Canaanite wives and that the Canaanites and Egyptians were direct descendants of Ham, the father of the black race. In his sermon he traced the lineage of the family of the Savior, and succeeded in convincing his congregation at least of the point of his argument.

FROZEN

LIMA, O., Dec. 26.—Charles Wiesenmyer, a wealthy contractor, was found dead within a block of his home here this morning, frozen in a snow drift.

CAPT. WILSON BUYS STEAMER GREYHOUND

Captain Fred Wilson announced this morning that he had purchased the steamer Greyhound and will bring her here from Seattle Monday. The boat will be refurnished here.

Captain Wilson said this morning: "The Greyhound was in first-class condition when I looked her over. A new boiler was put in three years ago, and since that time the engines and hull have been overhauled."

The Greyhound, or "Pup," as she is familiarly known among steamboat men, is one of the fastest sternwheel packets on the Sound. For many years she was on the run between Everett and Seattle. She was built by V. B. Scott, who also built the Flyer, Telegraph and Telephone.

Captain Wilson has not yet announced definitely on what run he will put his new steamer, but it is believed that she will run between Tacoma and Olympia.

SIR HENRY BULLARD IS DEAD IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Sir Henry Bullard, a Conservative member of parliament, is dead. This given the Liberals a chance of obtaining another seat.

WILL NOT MEAN WAR

PARIS, Dec. 26.—It was learned today that Japan is preparing a force which will probably number 15,000 troops, to be sent into Korea to maintain order in the disturbed parts there. Japan has been assured by Russia that such action will not be considered as an unfriendly act or casus belli.

BANK FIRE

MARIETTA, O., Dec. 26.—The First National bank building here was destroyed by fire this morning. Two mercantile houses also suffered great damage. The loss is estimated at a quarter of a million.

REVOLUTION NO. EIGHTY-EIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Passengers on the Clyde liner New York, which arrived today from San Domingo, say the country is seething with riot, anarchy and revolution. The people are so wrought up that few have a clear idea of what they are fighting for. Business is paralyzed and at a complete standstill all over the island. Communication between ports has been suspended and all wires are down. Traffic is practically suspended. The passengers who arrived on the steamer say that the condition will probably continue until some outside country steps in and takes a hand.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The following telegram was received by the state department today from Minister Powell at San Domingo: "Insurgents are now marching on San Domingo from Macoris. Newport has arrived and German fleet expected today."

UNCLAIMED VICTEMS

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 26.—Twelve victims of the railroad wreck are still unclaimed. Four of them are unidentified. The time of the inquist has not yet been determined.

MURDER OR A SUICIDE

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 26.—The body of Philip Wentz, secretary of the Wentz Shoe company, was found hanging in an empty box car today, suspended by a piece of fence wire. Relatives think it is murder, but the coroner thinks it was suicide.

POSTAL FORCE STILL RUSHED

The carriers left the postoffice this morning heavier loaded with mail than at any time before Christmas. There was no delivery yesterday and the mail had piled up until there was an enormous amount for the carriers to deliver this morning.

It is stated at the postoffice that the receipts for December will show a marked increase over the same month last year.

ELEMENTS AS ACCOMPLICES

FREEPORT, O., Dec. 26.—While the blizzard was in progress last night burglars forced an entrance to the Harmon department store and carried away sealskins and jewelry amounting to several thousand dollars.

CHICAGO STRIKE MAY BRANCH OUT

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Unless the union teamsters consent to the formation of a permanent arbitration board on Wednesday next, a general strike is liable to result between them and the associated teaming interests. The livery drivers' strike is still on. All funerals today used hearses accompanied by police guards.

No demonstration was made.

RUSSIANS BELIEVE IN CHINA-JAPAN ALLIANCE

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The Novo Vremya today states that alarm is felt over the belief that China is plotting to aid Japan against Russia. The Boxer General Mar and Viceroy Kiay are mentioned as the leaders of the movement.

Chinese soldiers are having constant target practice, as though in preparation for active duty.

Chinese immigrants suspected of being soldiers disguised are entering Manchuria in large numbers.

Arms are being hidden in accessible places. The Chinese may ultimately hold the trump card in the Manchurian campaign.

SENATOR WARREN WAS THE LESSEE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Postmaster General Payne announced today that the lease of the postoffice quarters in Cheyenne contains the name of Senator Warren as lessee in violation of the statutes, but that it would be continued in use until the completion of the new government building, which will probably be several months. The lease was executed between government inspectors and an agent for the property while the senator was absent.

FOOLISH GIRL

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 26.—Among a large consignment of Eastern eggs received today by a commission house were many on which Miss E. Crook of South Omaha had written a request for a husband. She says she is 17, good looking and works for the Armour company. She wants a man about 28 years of age.

TEACHERS MEET

The seventh annual meeting of the Washington State Teachers' association will be held in Tacoma Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock an educational council is to be held in the auditorium of the Central school.

Professor F. B. Cooper of Seattle is president of the council and Mrs. Margaretta Keyes of Olympia is secretary.

Several importan topics are to be brought before the council for final consideration.

CHRISTMAS QUARREL RESULTS IN MURDER

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—William Kauffman shot and fatally injured his cousin, Grace Kauffman, last night over a quarrel about Christmas presents. Kauffman said that his uncle had not remembered him in the way he believed he should, and a fight between them seemed imminent. Grace Kauffman stepped in to interfere as a peacemaker and the infuriated man fired. The first shot mortally wounded Miss Kauffman and a second slightly hurt Mrs. Rena Kauffman, an aunt of the gun-wielder. The crazed man ran from the house and has not been arrested.

FRIENDS FIND NO TRACE OF HERMAN

H. P. Herman, a telegraph operator, who disppeared so suddenly a few weeks ago, has never been heard from. An operator saw a man answering Herman's description in Portland, but it is not certain that it was the missing man.

That he has met with foul play or is at the bottom of the bay is believed by some of his friends. His clothes are in his room and his typewriter is at the office of his employers. So far as is known, he would have no occasion to leave for other regions suddenly.

A young woman of Westminster, B. C., who wrote him a letter after he disappeared, has asked to have her letter returned. She gave the postoffice department her box number only.

BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permits have been issued: Dean & Curtis, to erect a one-story brick addition to a building at 1132 Pacific avenue, to cost $500; J. D. Donaldson, to erect a one-story brick building on South Ninth and D streets, to cost $900.

ROUGH VOYAGE IS COMPLETED

The British ship Olivebank, which arrived in San Francisco Thursday, many days overdue, had a most trying experience while coming across in ballast from Shanghai to Royal Roads.

In the terrific sea encountered her masts were rolled out of her and lay pounding aongside. For several days the crew were unable to clear the wreckage away. Finally, after much danger, this was accomplished and with a jury rig she made San Francisco, but arrived in a deplorable condition.

The seamen have made many complaints against Captain Henderson and allege they were treated like dogs on the whole voyage. Some interesting developments are expected.

BURGLARS TRY TO STEAL SAFE

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 26.—Burglars at Mingo Junction last night rolled the Pennsylvania railway's safe out and started across the tracks, where a wagon was waiting, in which they had evidently planned to load the safe and cart it away.

A passenger train came around a curve and knocked the safe off the track, but as if by a miracle the train was not derailed. The robbers escaped.

ACCIDENT IN SUBWAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A man named Fitzgerald was killed and several others injured this morning by the collapse of a big caisson in the electric subway being constructed at Bath Beach. Two of the injured will die.

MARINE GLIMPSES

The Alaska Pacific Navigation company, a newly organized concern, with Captain E. E. Caine president, has taken over the Pacific Packing & Navigation company's steamers Santa Ana, Excelsior, Jeanie and Newport, and will operate them on northern runs.

Steamer Umatilla arrived yesterday afternoon from San Francisco. Her officers report fine weather. A large amount of freight for this port is being discharged. She had 125 passengers for Sound points.

The International Fisheries company's steamer Edith arrived from the North last night. The Edith brings four carloads of halibut this trip and reports very nasty weather and a great deal of fog during her trip.

The French bark Eugenie Tantrel ise discharging firebrick at the Commercial dock.

The collier Mackinaw is loading at the Gravity bunkers for San Francisco and is due to get away today.

The collier Leelanaw is at the Electric bunkers. She expects to get away tomorrow morning for San Francisco. b

Three of the Chinese sailors from the steamship Pleiades will be taken to Seattle today to be reshipped on the Shawmut. The Shawmut will get away from here for Seattle this afternoon.

The schooner Novelty is reported in at South Bend with a demented sailor on board. He will turned over to the state authorities.

FORCES WERE NOT LANDED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The navy department this afternoon announced that the following telegram had been received from Admiral Coghlan at Colon:

"Atlanta did not land armed force on Colombian territory at any time for any purpose. Two officers landed at invitation of Colombian generals."

The Tacoma weather man is beginning to feel dubious. His corns hurt him, so he says, and that is a sure sign to him of approaching cold weather. The barometer, however, indicates nothing like a decided slump in the temperature.

Forecast for Tacoma and vicinity: Tonight and Sunday, fair, light to fresh south winds.

TRAIN LATE

Northern Pacific train No. 3, from the East, due here at 1:15 o'clock this afternoon, is 10 hours late and an extra train will be made up from here to take the Portland run.