

STEAMERS PUT UP FOR WINTER

Thousands of Seamen Idle While Liners Take Short Rest

New York, Nov. 28.—Several big ocean liners are being laid up for the winter, and this means idleness for many thousands of men. The laying off of the Imperator for example means comparative idleness for 1,000 men of its working staff. They will be kept under pay at Hamburg for four months unless they look for assignment on other ships.

This means a heavy salary list to be met every month by the company, but the big ship has proved so profitable that the company can afford to keep its picked staff in idleness until the next sailing of the ship in March. And most of the men will be glad of a chance to rest and see their families. It has been a hard summer for these men.

With two or three exceptions ocean liners remain in port at each end of the route for a week. Those which carry cargo need that time for unloading and loading of freight. The Imperator has made round trips from Hamburg to New York every three weeks. This means only two, three or four days at each port. There is always a great amount of work to do when the ship is in port. The only day the men have off is Sunday, and that only when the ship is at Hamburg. So the married men have had only 24 hours in each three weeks to spend with their families.

400 Stewards on Imperator.

There are 400 stewards on the Imperator. They are the men who look after the state rooms and wait on table. The company pays them \$13 a month each, but small as this is it will mean to the company more than \$29,000 in wages for the four months of the ship's idleness. The stewards pay is more of a retaining fee than actual pay for the work done. During the seven days of a voyage a steward works from half past four in the morning until half an hour after midnight.

He polishes brass work, brings food to passengers in their cabins, he makes beds, sweeps and does all the work of a chambermaid. He answers the bell and fills orders from the bar; he shuts portholes in a storm and opens them again when the weather clears; he shifts his white jacket for a blue one with brass buttons to serve in the dining saloon. On a German ship he has to know something of two languages and perhaps three or he is subject to complaints for stupidity.

For all this \$13 a month would be insufficient. But there are fees which custom fixes which makes the steward's job on a big liner profitable. Every passenger gives his bedroom steward at least \$2.50 and his dining room steward the same. Passengers who have the finer rooms give them more. One steward on the Imperator will have 22 cabin passengers to care for on a good voyage and \$ to 10 in the dining saloon. From these he will receive \$15 to \$125.

Time Changes Irregularly.

A novelty in ship comfort is the electric clock system which has been installed on the Imperator. Time changes irregularly on shipboard. Going east the ship's time is set forward at midnight or at noon. Usually on a fast ship the advance is 30 minutes at midnight and about 15 minutes at noon. But the schedule is inconstant. On the four day ships the Lusitania and Mauretania, the change would be about an hour every day. Heretofore the only way to keep in touch with the ship's time was to look at the ship's clock in the morning and again in the afternoon and change your watch to correspond. Now they have an electric clock system which serves the entire ship and is regulated from a central station. In every cabin is a clock whose hands move with the electric impulse every minute. At midnight you may see the hands of your clock jump forward 30 minutes more or less.

Plantation Rubber Experiments in the Island of Mindanao Show Encouraging Results.

While plantings of four and five-year-old trees on Basilian Island, adjoining Mindanao, compare favorably with results in North Borneo.

Upper Peninsula

Hobo Has Leg Crushed—
Peter Murray was run over in the yards at Newberry last week by a South Shore passenger train and had his right leg so badly crushed it had to be amputated. Murray was stealing a ride on the blind baggage and in attempting to jump from the train as it entered the yards he was thrown under the wheels. He was said to have been under the influence of liquor. He is being cared for at the county poor house.

Created Disturbance in School—

Miss Angelina Theriault, school teacher, reprimanded one of her pupils yesterday and the child's mother, Mrs. Zappone, thinking that the child had not been treated justly, took the matter in her own hands and went to the school to punish the teacher. A great deal of disturbance was created and Mrs. Zappone was put out of the room. A warrant was sworn out for her arrest and she paid \$5 and costs in justice court this morning.—Iron Mountain Tribune.

Pastor Accepts New Post—

Sunday morning Dr. W. R. Schoenmaker of the First Baptist church of Marquette surprised his congregation by presenting his resignation as pastor, effective Jan. 1st. The doctor has accepted the superintendency of the Baptist denomination for the district embracing the southwest quarter of the state. Included in the district are the cities of Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo and Jackson. The field is an important one. There will be 15 churches under his supervision.

Struck by an Automobile—

Stepping from a Gladstone Interurban car in front of the Peter Klein saloon, Escanaba, ex-Alderman William King, of the latter city was struck by an automobile driven by Dr. W. A. LeMire and received a serious scalp wound, together with several minor injuries. King is about sixty-five years of age. He was rendered unconscious and was picked up and placed in the LeMire car and taken to the St. Francis hospital, where the doctor gave him his usual medical attention. The man would probably have been badly injured had the car struck him squarely.

A Hunting Accident—

Shot through the side by a companion while hunting a mile from Foster City, Reuben Laessig, fourteen years of age, was taken to Escanaba. The bullet, fired from a 22-caliber rifle, pierced the right side just below the ribs and, passing through the abdominal cavity, lodged in the muscles of the back. An X-ray examination of the wound was made by Dr. Long and, judging from the position in which the bullet is lodged, it is believed it touched neither the stomach nor the intestines. Unless complications develop it is believed that patient will suffer no material ill effects and may be able to return to his home at Foster City in a few days. According to the story of the boy, he and a companion were standing about six feet apart when the gun was accidentally discharged.

Expensive Venison—

Charged with attempting to ship venison out of the state without having a permit to do so, Napoleon Veno and T. P. Culman, whose homes are unknown, were taken to the State by Deputy State Game Warden J. R. Eddy and arraigned before Judge Rundles in justice court, where they pleaded guilty and each paid the \$20 fine imposed. Under the present law the only persons who can ship venison out of the state are non-residents having the \$25 license and who have procured a permit from the state to do so. Mr. Eddy was on a Soo Line train enroute to Escanaba and in passing through the baggage car he discovered two suit cases which seemed unusually heavy. His curiosity was aroused and after an investigation he found both cases to contain only venison. The cases were checked one to Chisago, and the other to Waukegan, Wis.

Rounding Up Illegal Hunters—

State Deputy Game Warden Wm. Harrington of Ishpeming, who is operating in the Gogebic region on account of the illness of Game Warden Claude Larson, of Ironwood, is getting results. Recently he rounded up a bunch of lower peninsula chaps north of Topaz, in Ontonagon county. Albert Bachman of Branch county paid \$12.75 in Justice Greogry's court at Bergland for hunting partridge without a license; Backman had the birds in his possession. James Cray of the same county, seventy-four years old, was hunting deer with a license belonging to Roy Bachman. The license was confiscated and sent to the game department at Lansing. While walking over the new highway between Tula and Wakefield, Mr. Harrington arrested Charles Koskey for hunting deer without a license. Koskey was convicted in Justice Felling's court at Bessemer and was assessed \$12.75.

Small Girls Make Long Trip—

Traveling from Morehead, Ky., to Escanaba, unattended, Grace Atkins, aged nine, and Anna Atkins, aged seven, arrived in that city, only to find that their father, Walter Atkins, a section foreman employed by the Escanaba & Lake Superior Railway, had not gone there to meet them. Crying bitterly the little girls were found at the Northwestern station by George Brickley. They told their story to Mr. Brickley and he turned the sobbing little youngsters over to Officer Dominick McCauley. The officer was about to take them to his home to remain until the father could be located when Thomas J. Daley, traveling auditor for the I. Stephenson company, was communicated with. Mr. Daley knows the father of the girls and he at once took charge of the children

ASTRONOMERS IN TILT OVER MARS

Harvard Observatory Head Declares Proof of Life Lacking

Boston, Nov. 28.—Two noted authorities in the realm of astronomy, Professor Edward Charles Pickering, head of the Harvard observatory, and Professor Percival Lowell, owner of the famous observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., have taken issue on the question of the inhabitability of the Planet Mars which promises to arouse a worldwide controversy among scientists.

"No astronomer in good standing believes that there is sufficient evidence as yet to warrant the belief that intelligent life exists on the planet Mars," declares Professor Pickering. "Professor Lowell has used his imagination too freely in making his deductions. He has not used good judgment."

Dr. Lowell, in an interview, at which Professor George Agassiz and a stenographer were present, said: "These criticisms of my deductions are made by men who are not experts, and who, therefore, have no authoritative opinion on the subject."

Professor Pickering says: "As one astronomer suggested, there may be a field of cabbages on Mars, but what good would it do us to signal a field of cabbages?"

"All astronomers who have devoted their time to a study of the planet are in accord as to the canals and other evidences indicating intelligent life there," says Dr. Lowell.

While Professor Lowell makes no reference in his statements to any individual astronomer, he insists that every reputable astronomer who has faithfully studied Mars is in accord with his views that Mars is inhabited. "There is not one such," he says, "who has not corroborated our discoveries."

Professor Lowell has acquired an international distinction on the Mars "life theory." His findings indicate that canals exist on the planet; that these canals are undoubtedly the work of human thought and human hands, and his photographs of the surface markings of Mars, he says, bears out these theories.

George Agassiz, son of the late Professor Alexander Agassiz, who has studied the marking on Mars, corroborates the findings of Dr. Lowell, as does, also, Professor P. A. Seagrave, formerly instructor at Harvard, and a noted Providence astronomer.

A few years ago Prof. William Henry Pickering, brother of Professor Edward and also a Harvard authority, worked out what he asserted was a feasible plan for signaling Mars.

The plan included the construction of a series of mirrors, to cost about \$10,000,000, whereby the sun's rays could be used upon this giant reflector to flash messages to the neighboring planet.

Lord Grey 62 Years Old.

London, Nov. 28.—Letters and telegrams of congratulation from many distinguished persons in Canada and from friends in many parts of Great Britain and the colonies were received today by Lord Grey, former governor-general of Canada, who celebrated the sixty-second anniversary of his birthday today. Among the messages were several from temperance and civic organizations in various parts of Canada.

AVENGERS GET 11 OF 12.

Another of Party Suspected of Murder in 1905 Slain in East.

New York, Nov. 28.—The band of avengers who for eight years have hunted 12 men suspected of murdering Francisco Madenio, an alleged counterfeiter, got their eleventh victim today, Joseph Farino, a Brooklyn fruit inspector.

Farino's death leaves alive only one of the dozen arrested in 1905, charged with the murder of Madenio. It was said that Madenio was killed because his murderers feared he would betray them. The dozen were held for eleven months and then discharged for lack of evidence. Since then eleven of them have been murdered.

Farino was set upon by three men who, after a struggle, dragged him into the hallway and shot him. The murderers escaped.

Women members of the First Presbyterian church of Kansas City, Mo., have opened a working girls' hotel, where board can be secured for \$2.75 to \$4 a week, including two meals a day.

Big Bridge at the Soo Completed—

Larger, it is asserted, than any other structure of its kind in the world is the new bascule bridge which spans the new locks at the Soo and which has been accepted by the officials of the Canadian Pacific Railroad company. At a cost aggregating \$350,000, this bridge has been completed and after a thorough test by the engineers in charge found to be perfect. The bridge was constructed by the Pennsylvania Steel company of Steelton, Pa. Since the beginning of the work, H. E. Trout, engineer for the steel company, and E. S. Roberts, engineer in charge for the railroad company, have been on the job every minute and under their personal supervision the bridge has been erected. This is the third bridge of its kind built by the Canadian Pacific people, the other two being considerably smaller. Its construction was necessary as a means of railroad transportation over the new United States ship canal which is rapidly nearing completion. The bridge has a spar, of 236 feet, and works something on the order of a jack-knife, hence the name jack-knife bridge is commonly applied to it. Two counter weights each containing 650 yards of concrete serve as sort of a balance for the large steel arms as they are raised or lowered. When the bridge comes together it is locked automatically at the center. It is operated by electricity and a man in a watchtower runs it. It contains three million pounds of steel.

Vincent Astor and His Fiancee To Spend Honeymoon on Yacht



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DAN CUPID accomplished a nice little coup when he ensnared the heart of America's richest young bachelor, Vincent Astor, son of Colonel John Jacob Astor, who lost his life in the Titanic disaster. When young Astor became of age several months ago and plunged earnestly into the task of mastering the details of his father's vast estate, one of the greatest in America, the society gossips began to wonder who would be the lucky young lady to win his heart. Mr. Astor kept his own counsel, and there was no looking that his heart had been captured. Suddenly the news of his engagement to Miss Helen Dismore Huntington of a wealthy New York family leaked out. It is said the couple may be married next Easter and spend their honeymoon on the Astor yacht Noma. Miss Huntington's family has a beautiful estate called Hopeland House at Staatsburg, N. Y.

CLAIM NEW TYPHOID CURE.

Illness Eradicated in Vaccination by New Method.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 28.—An announcement was made at the University of California of the discovery of a new method of typhoid vaccination more efficacious than any other of the fifteen recognized methods. Unlike the others, it does not affect the patient with violent brief illness and pain. Dr. Gray personally tested the method, using 124 cases.

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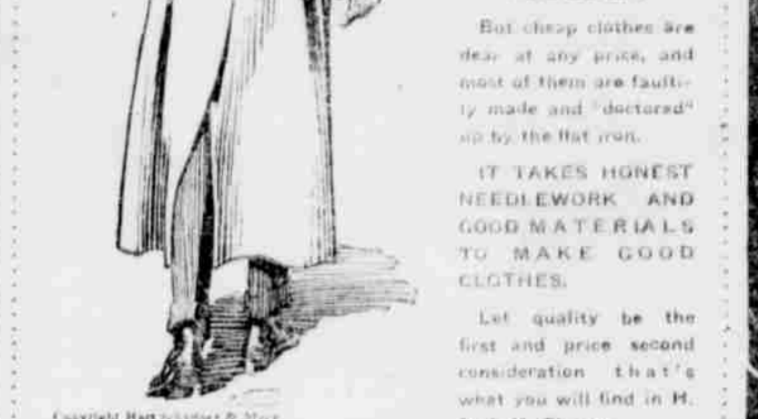
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