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STEAMER WRECKED, OVER 100 LOST

The Hilda Foundered on North Coast of France in a Fog. ONLY SIX PERSONS WERE SAVED

London, Nov. 21.—One hundred and twenty-eight persons lost their lives in the wreck of the London and Southwestern Railway company's steamer Hilda off the northern coast of France Saturday night, according to an official estimate given out by the officers of the company.

The Hilda left Southampton on Friday night for St. Malo. Her passage was greatly delayed by a fog in the channel, and when nearing St. Malo she ran into a severe snow storm, apparently missed her course and foundered on the rocks off Jardinighthouse, three miles from St. Malo.

The company's steamer Ada, outward from St. Malo, rescued five of the passengers and one of the crew. They are the only survivors.

A telegram from St. Severn, adjoining the town of St. Malo, gives the few particulars yet available. The Hilda was near St. Malo Saturday morning. She struck the rocks yesterday morning in the roadstead off the island of Cezembre, having missed the tide owing to bad weather and the fog.

The majority of the crew and passengers were asleep at the time of the accident. A lifeboat was picked up empty at St. Cast, where 13 bodies were washed ashore. The top of the Hilda's funnel and her mast are visible at low tide, according to the telegram from St. Severn.

The disaster was first suspected through the washing ashore of a body, and the port authorities immediately sent out a tug. It was then learned that the Hilda was wrecked on a treacherous reef close to the island of Cezembre, called Les Portes. She had apparently struck, broken her back and immediately sunk, leaving no time to launch the boats.

The Hilda was built at Glasgow in 1882, and registered 848 tons. She was a screw steamer, of iron construction, and was 235 feet in length.

PLOT AGAINST PRESIDENT PALMA Arms and Ammunition Found in Havana May Implicate Prominent Men. Havana, Nov. 21.—Evidence obtained by the commission which is investigating the discovery by the secret police Saturday last of a considerable quantity of arms, ammunition and accoutrements in a house in the Cerro suburb is tending to implicate a few men of some prominence. The government has no doubt that the materials came from the United States, and it is seeking to learn who were the purchasers.

Government officials now admit that they have received various secret advices regarding contemplated uprisings before election day in various parts of the island, particularly in the provinces of Santiago, Santa Clara and Pinar del Rio, with a probable attack on the palace in Havana.

The object of the latter, according to the officials, appears to be the removal, possibly by assassination, of President Palma. The plotters, it is pointed out, are well aware, since there is no vice president, that the election of President Palma's successor would, according to the constitution, be in the hands of congress, and that the Liberals, with the help of a few independents, could control both houses.

STEAMER WRECKED, CREW LOST The Turbin Dashed to Pieces On Rocks Off Nova Scotia Coast. Clarks Harbor, N. S., Nov. 21.—The Norwegian steamer Turbin, with her captain and crew of about 16 men, is thought to have foundered in a terrific gale which swept over Nova Scotia last Friday.

The coasting steamer Edna R., which arrived here from Mud Island, brought news that on Friday a large steamer, supposed to be the Turbin, struck Black Rock Ledge, off the south coast of the province, backed off in a few minutes and then disappeared in the raging sea. Persons on the island who saw the steamer strike on the ledge were a considerable distance away, and owing to the tremendous sea running it was impossible to launch a boat.

No person could be discerned aboard the craft, and so quickly did the steamer go down that no opportunity was given the crew to fight for their lives. No boat could have lived an instant in the sea that was running. While the craft hung on the rocks the sea made a clean breach over her. Suddenly a giant comber lifted her from her resting place, and the next instant she took the fatal plunge, carrying it, it is believed, all on board down with her.

Clam Produced \$100 Gem. Bridgeton, N. J., Nov. 20.—While opening clams, William R. Shaw, a local business man, found a pearl as large as a pea and in perfect form. He refused \$100 for it.

LOST. Lost one black setter dog named Sharp. Reward if returned to U. O. Coulbourn, Smithfield.

WEEK'S NEWS

Wednesday, November 15. The output of the anthracite coal mines is seriously decreased by the scarcity of cars. Robert Whitehead, inventor of the torpedo which bears his name, died at Shrivvenham, England. Rev. Dr. Dunlop Moore, aged 80 years, dropped dead at a meeting of the Pittsburgh Presbytery. While despondent from illness, Mrs. Benjamin Fothergill, of Philadelphia, committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas. The comptroller of currency has made a call for the condition of national banks at the close of business Thursday, November 9.

Thursday, November 16. Mrs. Ann Bumbolow, aged 108 years, the oldest white woman in the south, died at Greenville, S. C. The 71st annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, I. O. O. F., was held at Wilmington. Harry C. Campion, a wholesale druggist of Philadelphia, fell under a trolley car and received injuries from which he died. While temporarily deranged by illness, H. Frank Weed, a New York cotton merchant, committed suicide at his home at Noroton, Conn. While playing around fodder stacks with matches, on her father's farm, near Dover, Del. Eliza Seoney, aged 7 years, set them on fire and was burned to death.

Friday, November 17. Albert J. Pitkin, president of the American Locomotive Works, died at his home in New York. Samuel M. Schellenger, a well-known Delaware river pilot, died at his home in Cape May, N. J., of typhoid fever. Harry B. Thomas, business manager of the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Evening Times, died of tuberculosis, aged 37 years. While gunning for rabbits near Smyrna, Del., Clifton Turner, aged 19 years, ran against a companion's gun and was fatally shot. While starting a fire with kerosene oil, Mrs. August Scalse, of Warren, Pa., was burned to death and her husband seriously injured in an explosion.

Saturday, November 18. Mrs. Ida E. Farnsworth, of Harrisburg, Pa., was found dead in her home, with the gas turned on. The population of Rhode Island is 480,082, according to a census taken by the state board of statistics. President Roosevelt will re-appoint William Henkel as United States marshal for the southern district of New York. The Riverside Bridge Works, at Martin's Ferry, O., was completely destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$200,000. James Artman was killed and Martin Kyle and Steven Carlop were fatally injured by being run down by a freight train at West Leechburg, Pa.

Sunday, November 20. On a charge of criminal libel, preferred by Clarence W. Barron, Thomas W. Lawson has been released in \$2000 bail at Boston. The accidental discharge of a gun in a hunting party near Knoxville, Tenn., killed James Maloney and wounded Wallis Carter. Miscreants at night scratched and disfigured over 20 large plate glass windows of leading business houses in Allentown, Pa., causing over \$1200 damage. After coming from a Turkish bath, Fred Secord, a wealthy merchant of Kanakee, Ill., found that he had been robbed in Chicago of \$5000 in drafts and \$95 in cash.

Tuesday, November 21. The British cruiser squadron, under command of Prince Louis of Battenberg, sailed from New York for Gibraltar. J. Preston Thomas, aged 63 years, one of the best known men in financial circles in Eastern Pennsylvania, died at his residence near West Chester, Pa. After kissing her mother good-bye, Mrs. Floy Anderson, while mentally deranged, ran from the house at Des Moines, Ia., jumped into a well and was drowned. Ira N. Terill, a life convict for murder at Guthrie, Okla., is suing Theodore Roosevelt, Attorney General Moody et al, for \$800,000 damages for conspiracy to deprive him of his liberty.

PRODUCE QUOTATIONS The Latest Closing Prices in the Principal Markets. PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR firm; winter extras, \$3.10@3.25; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.60@3.75; city mills, fancy, \$5@5.10. RYE FLOUR steady; per barrel, \$1.90. WHEAT steady; No. 2 Pennsylvania red, new, \$3.30@3.35. CORN firm; No. 2 yellow, local, 53@55c. OATS steady; No. 2 white, clipped, 36 1/2@37c.; lower grades, 35c. HAY firm; No. 1 timothy, large bales, \$14.50@15. PORK firm; family, \$17. BEEF steady; beef hams, \$23@24. POULTRY: Live firm; hens, 12 1/2@13c.; old roosters, 8@9c. Dressed firm; choice fowls, 13 1/2@14c.; old roosters, 9 1/2c. BUTTER steady; creamery, 26c. EGGS steady; New York and Pennsylvania, 31@32c. POTATOES steady; per bushel, 70@75c. BALTIMORE — WHEAT firm; No. 2 red, 85c.; steamer No. 2 spot, 76 1/2c.; southern, 71@72c. CORN firm; mixed spot, 60c.; steamer mixed, 55c. OATS firm; white, No. 2, 36 1/2c.; No. 3, 35 1/2c. @36c.; No. 4, 34 1/2@35c.; mixed, No. 2, 34 1/2@35c.; No. 3, 33 1/2@34c.; No. 4, 32 1/2@33c. BUTTER firm; creamery separator extras, 23 1/2@24c.; held, 22c.; pr. uts, 24@25c.; Maryland and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 20@22c. EGGS steady; fancy Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, 26@27c.; southern, 25@26c.

Live Stock Markets. PITTSBURG (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE slow; choice, \$5.25@5.50; prime, \$4.90@5.15. HOGS active; prime heavy, medium and heavy Yorkers, \$5.15@5.20; light Yorkers and pigs, \$5.10@5.15; roughs, \$4@5.00. SHEEP steady; prime wethers, \$5@5.20; common, \$2@2.50; lambs, \$4.50@7.40; calves, \$7.50@8.

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