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39 LIVES LOST IN THE DEEP

Spanish Steamer Martos Founders at Entrance to Straits of Gibraltar After Collision With a Tramp.

VESSELS CRASH TOGETHER SHROUDED IN A DENSE FOG

Nine of the Victims First Cabin Passengers on the Martos, the Rest Were in the Steerage.

GIBRALTAR, Aug. 16.—The Spanish steamer Martos foundered this morning off Tarifa at the entrance to the straits of Gibraltar, after a collision in a dense fog with the German steamer Elsa.

MR. GAYNOR'S PROGRESS TO RECOVERY IS STEADY

Without Complications, He May Be Moved to Adirondacks Within Two Weeks.

New York, 16.—Mayor Gaynor continues to improve steadily. When he awoke today he seemed stronger than at any time since he was shot a week ago, while about to sail for Europe.

TO PRESENT TO FRANCE COPY OF HODDON'S WORK

Bronze "Washington" Is to Be Formally Presented by Col. James Mann of Virginia.

Paris, Aug. 16.—Col. James Mann, chairman of the Virginia commission appointed to present to France a bronze copy of the Houdon statue of Washington at Richmond, arrived here today accompanied by a delegation.

A PETRIFIED TORTOISE, CENTURIES OLD, IS FOUND

The Creature Weighs 400 Pounds and Will Be Presented to the Smithsonian Institute.

Washington, Aug. 16.—A petrified tortoise, which probably crawled through Virginia's dale several centuries ago, has been discovered at Orkney Springs, Va.

Armed Posse Search for Slayer of Woman.

New York, Aug. 16.—Posse of armed citizens are scouring the swamps near North Benge, searching for Bertrand Pond, wanted for killing Mrs. Mary Umachies, in the presence of her six years old son, because she refused his attentions.

Negro Is Killed.

Nevada, Mo., Aug. 16.—An unidentified negro was killed and thirty-five passengers injured when a tender of the Missouri passenger train, No. 209 jumped the track eleven miles north of here today. None were injured or seriously hurt.

\$10,000 BAIL FOR PICKENS

Counsel Make Application Before Judge Council and He Makes Order on Hearing Inquest Report.

FIRST DEGREE VERDICT EVIDENTLY IS NOT SOUGHT

The State, It Is Evident, Will Ask for Second Degree Murder or Manslaughter Verdict.

Judge W. B. Council, who is holding court this week at Marshall, today heard application by Judge Thomas A. Jones and R. M. Wells, of the counsel for the defense in the case of state against Dr. Clarence Pickens, charged with killing Jerome and Furman Capps at Weaverville Saturday night, and after reading the evidence taken before the coroner and with the consent of Solicitor Mark W. Brown, made an order allowing bail in the sum of \$10,000, the defendant to be released when the bond is approved by Clerk Erwin of the Superior court.

WILL USE CERTIFICATES INSTEAD OF PASS BOOKS

Committee on Postal Savings Bank System Makes Report—Hitchcock Favors It.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Postmaster General Hitchcock has received a report from the committee on organization of the postal savings bank systems in favor of the use of certificates of deposits instead of pass books as previously decided upon by the committee in framing its tentative plan.

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RUFUS GAYNOR GREETING HIS SISTER, MRS. YINGUT, AS SHE ARRIVES AT HOSPITAL

FAST MAIL TRAIN JUMPS THE TRACK

Two Train Wrecks Occurred in Missouri Today, Four Persons Being Reported Killed.

St. Louis, Aug. 16.—The Iron Mountain fast mail train, leaving here at 2:30 this morning, was wrecked near Piedmont, Missouri. The train consisted of mail cars, Poplar Bluff dispatches say three men were killed.

GAYNOR BOOM GROWS Apace

Talk at Saratoga Is That He Will Be Democratic Nominee for Governor of New York—Attempted Assassination Strengthens Position.

Saratoga, Aug. 16.—With the meetings of both the republican and democratic state committees scheduled for this week, there are likely to be important developments in the political situation before next Sunday. The republican committee meets today in New York. The democratic committee will assemble here on Thursday.

More "Pistol Toters" Are Needed in Paris

So a Police Officer Thinks—Would Arm Good Citizens to Fight Bad Ones—Only Certain Classes Would Be Permitted to Carry Arms—Heavy Penalty for Others.

Paris, Aug. 16.—"Gun toting," or as it is expressed here, "libre revolver," should be encouraged in Paris, declares the chief police officer of the first division. He says that only in this way can the desperate Apaches be subdued.

Is Still Standing Pat; Denounces Insurgents

DANVILLE, Ill., Aug. 16.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon in an interview today denounces the republican "insurgents," says he will be a candidate for the speakership of the next national house of representatives and declares the reports of a contemplated reorganization of the republican party originated with insurgents and democrats.

Cholera Scourge's Horrors Are Steadily Increasing

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 11.—The horrors of the cholera scourge in Russia, according to Professor Rein of the Red Cross, are steadily increasing. Children are starving in many instances. Thousands of new cases are being registered daily.

FIRE LOSS AT BRUSSELS IS SIX TO TEN MILLIONS

List of Awards to Exhibitors, Believed to Have Been Burned, Has Been Found.

NEGRO DELEGATES SCARCE IN TENNESSEE CONVENTION

Republicans Gather to Nominate a Candidate to Oppose Governor M. R. Patterson.

THUMBS DOWN FOR ROOSEVELT

New York Republican Executive Committee Reject His Name for Office of Temporary Chairman.

PRESENTED BY GRISCOM BY CONSENT OF THE COL.

A Sharp "Rebuke," Result of Fight by Leaders Who Charge That He Is Attempting to Dictate.

New York, Aug. 16.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's name was presented for temporary chairman of the convention at a meeting of the republican state committee. His selection for that honor was lost by a vote of 20 to 15.

FIRST DIRECT PRIMARY IS HELD IN CALIFORNIA

Great Demonstration—Bell Will Lead Democrats, Curry, Perhaps, the Republicans.

GERMAN SHIPBUILDERS STRIKING FOR INCREASE

The Number Now Idle in the Trade Is 35,000, or All but the Government Employees.

THE WEATHER.

For Asheville and vicinity: Partly cloudy weather tonight and Wednesday.

Loss of \$125,000 by Fire.

Midland, Mich., Aug. 16.—Reardon Brothers' department store, the block containing the Masonic and other lodge rooms and lawyers offices were burned today; loss, \$125,000.

THE MINORITY SUBMIT REPORT

Say the Tariff, Trusts, Monopolies, Increased Money Supply Are Prime Causes of High Cost of Living.

MAJORITY REPORT FINDING IS CATEGORICALLY ATTACKED

The Report Is Submitted by Senators Johnson, Smith and Clarke, of the Special Committee.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The tariff, trusts, combines and monopolies and an increased money supply, are the three substantial causes for the advance in prices in the United States, according to Senators Johnson of Alabama, Clarke of Arkansas, and Smith of South Carolina, minority members of the select senate committee, appointed during the last session of congress to investigate and make report on wages and the prices of commodities.

THE TARIFF ATTACKED.

After attacking, one at a time, the 15 principal causes contributing, according to the majority report to the high cost of living, the minority take up the tariff, declaring that when the Payne-Aldrich bill was framed "champagne was put on the schedule at from 54 to 56 per cent., whilst wearing apparel was taxed from 30 to 32 per cent.—drinking champagne was to be encouraged and wearing woolen clothes discouraged. So with hats," they add, "those bringing not over \$4.50 per dozen were taxed 77 per cent. and those valued at more than \$18 per dozen 47 per cent."

Fortunes for Few, Suffering for Many.

The result of protection, they declare, is "great fortunes for the few and great suffering for the many. We believe," they say, "that the amount of the tariff is added to the price and taxed to the consumer; that but for the tariff the commodities we buy upon which that tax is laid would be cheaper, approximately to the extent of the tariff; and that when we do not buy the imported article the protected manufacturer puts approximately the amount of it on the goods produced by him.

It is difficult to understand how anyone can favor high rates of duty if he does not honestly believe that it will increase the prices to be realized by the manufacturers producing the article affected, by diminishing or destroying competition, and thus necessarily increasing the cost to the consumer. Then we were many times mournfully warned that any reduction in rates would flood our country with lower-priced German products, and that the smoke of American manufactures would disappear from the heavens. Now we are informed that the tariff has not increased the cost of these articles entering into every household and administering to the health and comfort of every family."

Showing the effect of the tariff on prices, they instance sugar, on which the New York consumer, they say, pays more than the London consumer by the difference between the sugar tariffs in the two countries, plus 17 cents per hundred pounds.

"It is scarcely necessary," they add, "to mention the iniquitous woolen schedule—where the tariff rates are so high on those necessities of our people as to practically preclude any foreign competition with the American manufacturer, except on high-priced goods purchased by the wealthier consumer, who can, to some extent, disregard price."

Trusts, Etc.

Taking up the subject of trusts, combinations, and monopolies, they declare that "there are few trusts that could survive a revenue tariff. They flourish only under the shadow of high protective walls. Standing behind these walls that shut off foreign competition and destroying domestic competition by consolidation and absorptions, they are limited only to selling at a fraction less than the foreign price plus the protective duty. That they reduce cost of production seems certain, but it is in rare cases that the public or the laborers employed by them participate in the enlarged profit. So enormous have been their profits that we find organizations springing up all over the country, like the High board of trade, the wholesale grocers, lumber dealers—associations that have contributed largely to the advance in prices and the frauds perpetrated by manufacturers of certain goods introducing the weight of contents of packages from 20 to 50 per cent. and maintaining the same price."

The Meat Trust.

"The methods of the meat trust," they declare, "seem to be admirably Continued on page seven.