CLARION'S CREW ACCUSE BALFOUR

SAY CAPT. OF BOPE RAKED HER SIDE

RENDERED NO ASSISTANCE

Capt Balfour Admits Striking Clarion, But Says Hanna was Giving Assistance—Members of Bope's Crew Say There was Collision.

Buffalo, Dec 16.—The burning and sinking of the Anchor Line steamer Clarion at Point Pelee last week, will probably be investigated by the steamboat inspectors of the Toledo district. It is likely that Capt. C. C. Balfour, of the steamer H. P. Bope, will be summoned as a witness.

Capt Balfour, who is one of the best known masters on the lakes, has been accused by some of having brushed by the burning Clarion without offering assistance or going to the aid of the crew of the burning vessel. He has stowly denied such action, and has explained why the Bope did not aid the crew of the Clarion Capt. Balfour is said to favor a complete investigation.

If the stories told by members of the crews of the steamers Clarion and H. P. Bope are true, the action of the latter's captain calls for a rigid investigation. According to statements made to the News the Bope, making her way through the dense darkness that overhung the lake that night, came upon the burning boat unawares and struck her a glancing blow with her bow. Despite the fact that the men on the Clarion were heard to call for help, Capt. Balfour of the Bope, who was on the watch at the time, is said to have continued on his course.

The Bope, which was bound down from Port Arthur to Buffalo, loaded with grain, sent the first news of the burning of the Clarion in a wireless message, received at Detroit and Cleveland, and even as far east as the News station of the United Wireless Co.on Wednesday evening. It was not known at the time, however, that the Clarion was the burning vessel.

Michael Toomey, cook on the burned steamer Clarion, confirmed the story published in the Sunday News to the effect that the H. P. Bope ran into the Clarion while she was burning and sheered off again without stopping to render assistance.

"It was early in the evening, about 8 o'clock—I should judge," said Toomey, "the cargo was on fire below, but as yet the flames had not broken out so they could be seen from the water. For some time we had been blowing distress signals, but got no response. I was standing aft with a number of other members of the crew Suddenly the form of a ship loomed up out of the smoke and darkness, coming toward us head-on. Then she struck us with such force that the Clarion trembled all over, and for a second I thought she was going to sink The ship rubbed us from bow to stern, breaking down the rail. Capt. Bell was on the bridge and I couldn't hear what he said, but he kept sounding the distress signal. Second Mate Brashaw was aft, near me. The first words we heard came from the ship.

"'What are you doing here,' some one called.

"'We're afire, come back and help us.' Brashaw called through the megaphone 'We're afire, fire,fire, fire,' and all the rest of us joined in calling 'fire, fire, fire,' as loud as we could shout it.

"Then the ship went ahead into the darkness again, but we could see by her lights that she was keeping right on her course. While the ship was abreast of us she was so near I thought of jumping aboard her. I can make her, I'm going to jump, I said to Harvey, the steward.

"'Don't do it. She will come back and help us,' he said, so I waited.

"When the ship struck us all the crew were aboard and all our boats were in good shape. If the Bope had been gone on a little way and hove to, we could have got to her in the boats later when we found there was no hope of saving the ship. But she kept right on, and though we waited for her to turn and come back to us, she never made a move to help and we watched her lights pass out of sight. This ship was not the only one that failed to answer our signals of distress. We could see lights all around us, but none came near.

"How do you know that the ship that struck you was the Bope?"

"Well, it was too dark to see her name, but she answers the general description, and the time her captain says he passed us coincides with the time the ship struck us. Besides that, her captain says he almost struck us, and the ship that rammed us was the only one that came within hailing distance. There is no possible way that the captain could have failed to know what was the matter, and that we were in terrible danger.

"I will never forget that moment when the Hanna came in sight. We had just about lost hope after being left to die once, and seeing the other lights far off, that never came nearer. When she came in sight how we hoped she would not leave us as the other steamer had done. We shouted with all our might.

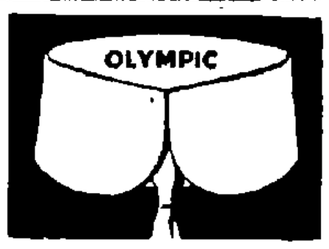
"Don't leave us, Cap. For God's sake, don't leave us."

"All right, I'll pick you up," and he did.

Capt C. C. Balfour, who last night told the Express that he did not touch the Clarion, made a statement to the News explaining why he did not go to the assistance of the Clarion, and denying that his ship rammed her though he now admits that the vessel rubbed.

"The first thing I knew," said Capt Balfour, "was when I heard the four whistles directly under our bow The rule when you hear this danger signal is to put your wheel hard apert and reverse, but by something like a miracle I put her to starboard instead, and thereby avoided sinking both ships. The Clarion had no lights visible Nothing could have been closer to a collision, but we did not strike her as these men say. If you don't believe that, go out and look at our ship and you will find hardly a mark on her. It is true that as we swung around, our stern rubbed the stern of the Clarion, but it only touched her and there was no perceptible jar Now, every one knows that when a ship's going eleven miles an hour, she cannot be stopped in an instant, and besides this, there were other difficulties We were nearing the South-east shoal light, where there is a dangerous rocky coast, and two ships were coming up behind us If I had turned to starboard there was great danger of going on the rock as well as of running behind If I had put her to port we would cross the bow of the ship ahead, and there was danger of her running into us. I checked down and when we passed the light ship where I could turn I intended to swing her about and go back to them but when we got there I could see that the Hanna was rendering assistance and that my going back would only complicate matters I feel that the statements that I did not go back and render aid have placed me in a false light, for I did all I could, and no one regrets what happened more than I do."

The News says two other members of the Bope's crew, one of them Harry Fanning, the wireless operator, admitted that there was a collision.



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AWARDS ARE MADE AT GOUVERNEUR SHOW

CHARLES BRASIE MAKES CLEAN SWEEP IN BARRED ROCK CLASS OF POULTRY.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—A large number visited the poultry show yesterday and all were unanimous in the opinion that it is the best collection of pure bred fowls that they had ever seen C. F. Smithers of Heuvelton, president of the St. Lawrence Poultry Association, arrived late Tuesday evening with a fine exhibit of Pekin Wyandottes that have since attracted great attention. Will Mr. Smithers came P. J. Fox man of the same town with an exhibit of handsome Black Minorcas consisting of 16 birds. F. Baum of Potsdam is showing a fine lot of Rhode Island Reds, as are also Chester Hartley and C. A. Bennett of this village. C. Pliny Earle, late yesterday afternoon, began his task of judging the 800 fowls and succeeded in completing his work on two or three of the largest exhibits before darkness stopped his work. Charles Brasie, the "Barred Rock Man," from Depeyster, made a clean sweep in his class, capturing all the singles pens and specials. P. J Eyeaman with his S. C. Black Minorcas was awarded first and second on cock, first and second on hen, first and second on cockrell, first second and third on cockrell and first on pen of young, this also being a clean sweep in this class. Mr. Earle will complete the judging this forenoon. There is great competition in Buff Orpingtons as well as in Rhode Island Reds both breeds being extensively raised in this section. There are several out of town breeders present and they all unite in the opinion that they have never seen a better lot of fowls in all classes.

ALLEGED CHECK CHARMER ARRESTED IN EDWARDS

CHARGED THAT ORRIN MUNGER RAISED CHECK $10—HELD FOR GRAND JURY.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—Yesterday morning a young man giving his name as Orrin Munger and his home as Lyons, was arrested at Edwards, on a warrant charging him with forgery in having raised a check for $1.53 to $14.53. When arraigned before a justice in that village the prisoner waived examination and was held for the grand jury. He was at once taken to Canton jail. Munger was employed by D. L. Miller on his farm near Edwards village for a short time and late Tuesday afternoon the farmer gave him a check in payment of his wages which he is charged with raising $10; and presented to a clerk in the store of Abner Clark, and received the cash. When Mr. Clark saw the check he discovered that it was made out and signed in two different hands and further investigation proved this surmise to be correct. The warrant was at once procured and Munger was arrested at the G. & O. station as he was about to board the train for this village.

Personal.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lackey of New York arrived in town yesterday for a week's stay. Mr. Lackey, who is president of the International Lace Co. had not visited here in four months owing to the fact that while in Philadelphia shortly after his last visit here, he had one of his legs fractured by the breaking of a street car step, he being a very heavy man. He is now able to get about with the assistance of a cane.

Game Club Banquet.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—The first annual banquet of the St. Lawrence County Fish and Game club was held at the Hodgkin House, Canton last night, and the event was attended by several from this village, among whom were Supervisor H.G. Aldrich, J. C. Dolan, Fred Mead, E. W. Duffin and E. D. Taitt.

Corner Drug Store.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—"The Corner Drug Store," a musical comedy by home talent, will be presented this evening in Union opera house for the benefit of Rescue H. & L. Co., No. 1, under the direction of Mrs. Roy W. Smith. The cast includes about 30.

Goes to Canandaigua.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—George F. Pike left yesterday evening for Philadelphia, Pa., to attend the annual convention of the Ayrshire Breeders Association of America, which is now in session there. Mr. Pike is vice-president and a director of the association and is an extensive breeder.

G. A. R. OFFICERS

George S. Parsons Heads Barnes Post in Gouverneur.

Gouverneur, Dec. 16.—Erwin Barnes Post, G. A. R., of this village held its annual meeting Tuesday evening with a very large attendance, and the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Commander, George S. Parsons; senior vice-commander, Amos Streeter; junior vice-commander, William Cleveland; quartermaster, A. V. Hyde; officer of the day, William McIntyre; outside guard, Lucius Smith; chaplain, Jesse Streeter; surgeon, George Bush; delegates to state encampment, A. V. Hyde and Milton Truax; alternates, Lorenzo Smith and William McIntyre. Barnes Post is the largest organization of the kind in the county, having about 95 members in good standing. The members are very enthusiastic and have always labored to keep the roster up with excellent success as there are few veterans in this section but what have long been affiliated with the post. Yesterday Commander Parsons received notification that he had been appointed patriotic instructor for St. Lawrence county by the state department, one of his principal duties being to visit the schools and address the students on patriotic subjects, a duty which he is fully qualified to perform. Mr. Parsons is receiving the congratulations of his many friends on the honor which has fallen to him.

Eugene V. Dixon.

Eugene V. Dixon, formerly of Jefferson county, died at his home in Oakland, Cal., Dec 12 His age was 33 years. He had been in poor health for some time past, but it was not known by his relatives in the east that his condition was in any way serious. His sister, Mrs. Charles Gutman of this city, knew nothing of his serious illness until the telegram came announcing his death About an hour after the receipt of the telegram Mrs. Gutman received a letter from him in which he made no reference to his illness.

Mr. Dixon was born on Wolfe Island 33 years ago He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Dixon. He spent his boyhood there, but later removed to the town of Pamelia When about 24 years of age he removed to California where he had since resided. About six years ago he married Miss Ida May Smith of Florisson, Cal. He was employed during his residence in the west by the Southern Pacific railroad as a railroad engineer.

He is survived by his wife, Oakland, Cal., his mother, Mrs. John A. Dixon, of 116 Michigan avenue, this city, three brothers, Robert B. Dixon, Pyrites, Danforth D., Pyrites, John A., South Bridge, Mass.; five sisters, Mrs. W. G. Woodman, Wolfe Island, Miss Edith Dixon, Watertown, Mrs. Louis Hanlon, Watertown, Mrs. Mina Garlough, Wolfe Island, and Miss Florence Dixon, Watertown.

New England Hunting Fatalities.

Boston, Dec. 16.—Thirty-four human lives were sacrificed in the hunting season which ended last night Twenty-three persons were killed by being mistaken for deer or by the accidental or careless discharge of firearms in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts and three in the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Contributory causes added eight more deaths.

Among the score or more known to have been seriously injured, five are not expected to recover, two will lose their sight and half a dozen more will be maimed for life

Tobacco Monopoly in Peru.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 16.—A law was promulgated yesterday establishing a tobacco monopoly for the state.

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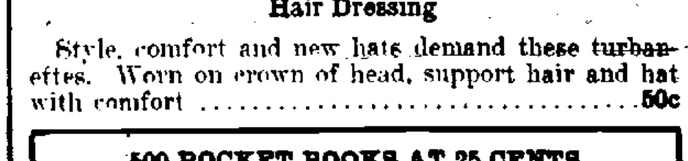

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REVIEW

(I) Strange are the reprisals of history. A furious mob rushes like an avalanche of death upon one whose face shines like that of an angel As they rush they throw their garments at the feet of a young man, who by that sign consents to be the witness Twenty years pass and the same scene transpires on the same spot Only in Stephen's place is the man who consented to his death It is Paul who bears the brunt of it now *** (II) It is the apostle's Gethsemane now! He receives gross indignities, is mobbed, jailed and smitten on the mouth at the high priest's command When semi-legal processes against him fail, resort is had to assassination. The plot only failed because there were too many in it and because of the alertness and discretion of Paul's nephew *** (III) Paul's appeal from Jerusalem to Cesarea was an appeal from malice to rupidity What could be expect from Felix, whose hand itched for a bribe, who assassinated a high priest, and precipitated the Jewish war? *** (IV) This last recorded address of the apostle his swan-song has been highly praised and called a "noble piece of Christian oratory." *** (V) It must have been a satisfaction to Paul to know that this disastrous voyage was not undertaken by any capriciousness of his. If liberated he would have been assassinated. Roman prison was only refuge for him from Jewish hate. *** (VI) On the dark background of storm and wreck the courage, wisdom, and commanding spirit of the apostle shine out. By the gravitation of necessity, Paul came to the captaincy for which his natural capacity and large experience fitted him. He also had the inspiration of a vision. His fraternal consideration of all shines brightest in the darkest hour He calms their minds, quiets their fears, nourishes their bodies. He is the savior of all *** (VII) Paul entered Rome as a Roman. His appeal to Cæsar invested him with dignity, while on personal grounds he was treated with marked consideration. All deductions made, however, contrast between might of Nero and weakness of Paul remains. It is the irreverate contrast between the material and the spiritual. The kingdom of heaven was entering the imperial city unobserved in the servile form of a Jewish prisoner But if the augurs of the capital could have discerned the sign, they would have raised a louder cry than when Hannibal stood at the gate. *** (VIII) Paul's story of his life sounds boastful, but before any hasty conclusion is reached, or derogatory judgment passed, it is just to ask why Paul wrote in this way, and what object he had in view. The epistle is addressed to an immature church in the miasmatic atmosphere of heathenism, with a Jewish colony near by—and with an anti-Paul-ine faction within the church. The epistle was written to cure evils like these. It could not well have been cast in any other mold. Its purpose defined its form The personal element could not have been eliminated. For most of the people to whom Paul wrote, he was in his own person the standard of the doctrine which they had received from him To defend himself was to defend the doctrines This he does with unanswerable power *** (IX) The principles of self-control and denial which Paul here irradiates are of universal and perpetual application. They are as follows: The certitude of a final accounting with his Maker on the part of every rational soul, in view of which the suspension of judgment upon one another is an obvious duty. The supremacy of one's own conscience for one's own self. The duty of charity in forgoing for the sake of others the liberty which might otherwise be conscientiously enjoyed *** (X) The Christians in Jerusalem were poverty-stricken. Times were evil, values depreciated, work scarce. All suffered, but the Christians most. They were boycotted. They must be helped. Paul's generous heart prompts him to add this to his numerous cares. He is an ideal collector; his methods, his appeals, the motives employed are exemplary. The universal principles of Christian benevolence are here irradiated in an instructive and fascinating manner. (XI) Here, as in a mirror, we see the whole of Paul's life What he exhorted Timothy to do, he had already done. He is at once the powerless teacher and exemplar of pastoral theology.

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