

LOTS WERE DRAWN FOR A MAN TO EAT.

TRAGEDY AMONG SHIP-WRECKED SAILORS. ONE OF THREE SACRIFICED.

Special to The State. Charleston, Sept. 2.—Shipwreck, cannibalism and raving lunacy form the fabric of a harrowing tale of the sea brought to Charleston today by Capt. Robert Milburn of the British steamship Woodruff, bound here from Hamburg.

The story of the terrible suffering was rendered all the more thrilling by the presence of two of the actors in the horrible tragedy. They are Maurice Andersen and Goodmund Thomassen, survivors of the crew of the Norwegian bark Drot, which sailed from Pascagoula for Buenos Ayres on Aug. 3.

The men were picked up from a raft by the Woodruff 250 miles south of Charleston on last Thursday, 31st ult. They were in a condition worse than death, and they were but a little, if any, better when brought up to the city on the towboat Waban this morning from the quarantine station and sent to the city hospital.

Andersen is a Swede, Thomassen hails from Stevanger, Norway. The story of the shipwreck and the suffering of the men was obtained from the survivors by Capt. Milburn in moments, which were few, when the men could be gotten to talk rationally.

The Drot sailed from Pascagoula with a lumber cargo for Buenos Ayres on Aug. 3 last. Her crew consisted of a master, whose name is believed to have been Serenson, and a crew of 15 men.

The Drot was then off the coast of Florida, but the exact bearings are not known. Things became worse, and finally when the vessel had been well stripped and it was certain that she was going to pieces, it was determined to make a raft of the bark's deck and trust to being picked up by a passing vessel.

The raft had not been in the water many hours before the fury of the wind and water had its effect and the float parted. On a piece were the mate and a seaman, while the remaining six were on the other piece of the raft.

They were getting desperate. To make the situation all the more horrible, man-eating sharks put in their appearance and they swam all about the raft, hungry for the prey.

There were now left but two men, Andersen and Thomassen. Thursday Capt. Milburn saw the craft and rescued the survivors and brought them to Charleston. He reached quarantine this morning, and as the vessel was stopped for inspection the towboat Waban took the two men aboard and brought them up to the city.

The men are in a very critical condition, as is to be expected from their 19 days of suffering on the water, each day's suffering being worse than the day previous.

Reports received from Philadelphia state that the mate, who was on the other raft, committed suicide during the storm, but his comrade was picked up on the 20th of August by the German steamer Catania and carried to Philadelphia. He is also under treatment.

Reports of the wreck was made to Mr. C. O. Witte, consul for Norway and Sweden, and he took charge of the case and had the men sent to the hospital. He has communicated the matter to the governments he represents and will act on their instructions.

Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Grier Dies at Due West.

Special to The State. Due West, Sept. 3.—Dr. W. M. Grier died of apoplexy at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The burial will be at 5 o'clock on Monday.

Yellow Fever in New Orleans.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 1.—Owing to the reported death by yellow fever in New Orleans and two other cases declared there, Mobile County authorities proclaimed tonight a quarantine against all persons, baggage and freight from New Orleans entering Mobile County.

The night train from New Orleans due at 12 10 o'clock tonight was prohibited from discharging New Orleans passengers or baggage here. A detention camp will be established tomorrow. Quarantine is also proclaimed against New Orleans.

Jacksonville, Fla., September 1.—Communication with Key West by the rest of the world has been cut off by the orders of Dr. J. P. Porter, executive officer of the Florida State board of health, on account of two deaths and several cases which have been diagnosed as yellow fever.

War in Transvaal Inevitable.

London, Sept. 4.—The Morning Post publishes the following dispatch from its special correspondent now in New Castle, Natal: "I left Johannesburg on ascertaining that it was the intention of the government to arrest every one who had taken a leading part in advocating the claims of the Outlanders."

There's always hope while there's One Minute Cough Cure. "An attack of pneumonia left my lungs in bad shape and I was near the first stages of consumption. One Minute Cough Cure completely cured me."

THE BOERS REPLY IS OMINOUS OF WAR.

Withdraw Former Concessions and Agree to Conference.

Pretoria, Sept. 4.—The reply of the Transvaal republic to the demands of Great Britain increases the term of years residence necessary in order to obtain the franchise.

In the course of an interview today, State Secretary Reitz said the Transvaal government was waiting until Saturday's dispatch reached the imperial authorities before making its contents public. Without, however, entering into details, he could say that in his judgment the proposal of the government offered Mr Chamberlain an opportunity of coming to a settlement regarding the franchise and other outstanding questions.

London, Sept. 4.—A dispatch from Johannesburg to Reuter's Agency definitely announces that the reply of the Transvaal republic to the British communication withdraws the franchise proposals and agrees in principle to a conference at Capetown.

The afternoon papers take the view that if the foregoing dispatch is correct, President Kruger's reply is ominous, as it was palpably made to gain time. Sir Alfred Milner's suggestion of a further conference at Capetown was instigated with the sole purpose of considering details and for the enforcement of the concessions offered by the Boers.

At one point a crowd of 50,000 people had gathered, mainly to see Grant, Farragut and Seward. There was tremendous enthusiasm over the party, and the president was elated. But when he rose to speak the crowd hooted and hissed and set up a great shout for Grant.

The Johannesburg correspondent of The Standard says: "I learn from an official who has been earnestly striving for peace that the matter is now hopeless. The Boers will probably declare war at 48 hours notice and will try to raid Natal before the British troops arrive."

The secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberlain, arrived in London this afternoon and at once proceeded to the foreign office. It is understood that he will remain here until the end of the crisis.

Treasurer E. D. Free, of Barnwell county, who has recently appointed to the office to succeed his father who had been treasurer for a number of years prior to his death, has notified Gov. McSweeney that he finds a shortage of \$8,700 in his father's accounts.

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GRANT CALMED THEM AN INCIDENT OF JOHNSON'S FAMOUS SWING AROUND THE CIRCLE.

A Painful Spectacle Which the General Brought to a Close by Forcing the Tumultuous Crowd to Listen to the President.

There is nothing in history that corresponds to that wonderful swing of President Johnson from Washington to Chicago by way of Robin Hood's barn. Mr. Johnson planned the trip with infinite cunning. He prided himself on being a commiserator, and he believed that he understood the people and that if he could meet them face to face he could convince them that the president was right and congress wrong.

The president started from Washington with a chip on his shoulder. The very first crowd he met knocked it off without ceremony. It soon became clear the people were in a resentful mood, and after two or three clashes some of Mr. Johnson's best friends recommended a change of programme.

General Custer, then at the height of his popularity, stepped forward in his dramatic, imperious way, believing that he could quiet the tumult. The crowd was friendly, but it howled him down, and the dashing cavalryman took his seat, with the remark that he would like to clear the grounds with a brigade of cavalry.

Johnson, looking down on the tumult, saw smiling, contemptuous faces, but no hatred. He turned to Grant, who had retired to the rear of the platform, and said petulantly, "General, you will have to speak to them."

Grant stepped forward, and after a round of cheers, the people were as quiet as a church in prayer time. Waiting an instant, Grant raised his hand, made a gesture toward Johnson and said clearly, "The president of the United States."

The incident was a simple one, but it spoke volumes. Grant's face was full of indignation and reproach, and the crowd, accepting his rebuke, listened to the president for an hour. And the president did not spare the people.

Where Butter Is Blue. "What was the most striking thing you saw in India?" was asked of a woman who has just returned from a tour round the world.

SHORT WORDS.

The following paragraph on "The Use of Short Words" is attributed to Horatio Seymour. It practices what it preached therein, since there is no word in it with more than two syllables, save such as are quoted for purposes of illustration.

"We must not only think in words, but we must also try to use the best words and those which in speech will put what is in our minds into the minds of others. This is the great art which those must gain who wish to reach in the school, the church, at the bar or through the press. To do this in the right way they should use the short words which we learn in early life and which have the same sense to all classes of men.

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A silent rebuke. A curly haired small boy sat in a Fourteenth street car just at the time of the day when the cars are most crowded on Thursday afternoon. A worn looking woman, evidently his mother, sat beside him.

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Texas' Old Name. Probably the fact is not generally known that Texas was at one time and for many years called the "New Philippines." The first settlement in what is now Texas was made by French emigrants in 1685.

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A FEAT IN GLASS BLOWING.

The Trick Which a Russian Sprung on the Experts. Emperor Nicholas wished to illuminate the Alexander column in a grand style. The size of the round lamps to be used for the purpose were indicated and the glasses ordered at the manufactory, where the workmen exerted themselves in vain and almost blew the breath out of their bodies in the endeavor to obtain the desired size.

Locking Up at Gibraltar. Perhaps the favorite sight of Gibraltar is the daily procession at sundown for the locking of the town gates. The Keeper of the keys, looking very like a prisoner despite his uniform, marches through the town in the center of a military guard, preceded by a regimental band, which plays inspiring and familiar tunes.

Countess Ito's Bravery. Many years ago, when quite a young man, during a rebellion, Count Ito was hiding from his enemies, who, having tracked him to his house, sent a band of "sohis" to assassinate him.

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No Ghosts Could Fool Him. A naval officer who held a civil employment at Rhode Island during the American war of independence and who was of a remarkably spare, skeleton-like figure was stopped by a sentinel late one night on his return from a visit and shut up in the sentry box, the soldier declaring that he should remain there until his officer came his rounds at 12 o'clock.

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