

Consult The Guardian Map on Page 10 and See Where the Winter Steamers Now Are.

STANLEY WILL SOON BE FREE---WITHIN 100 YARDS OF MINTO

The Boats Were Between Caribou and Pictou Islands Last Night—Excellent Work Done by Dynamite—The Station Agent at Pictou Says the Stanley Will Soon be Free—More Dynamite Went to Murray Harbor Last Night.

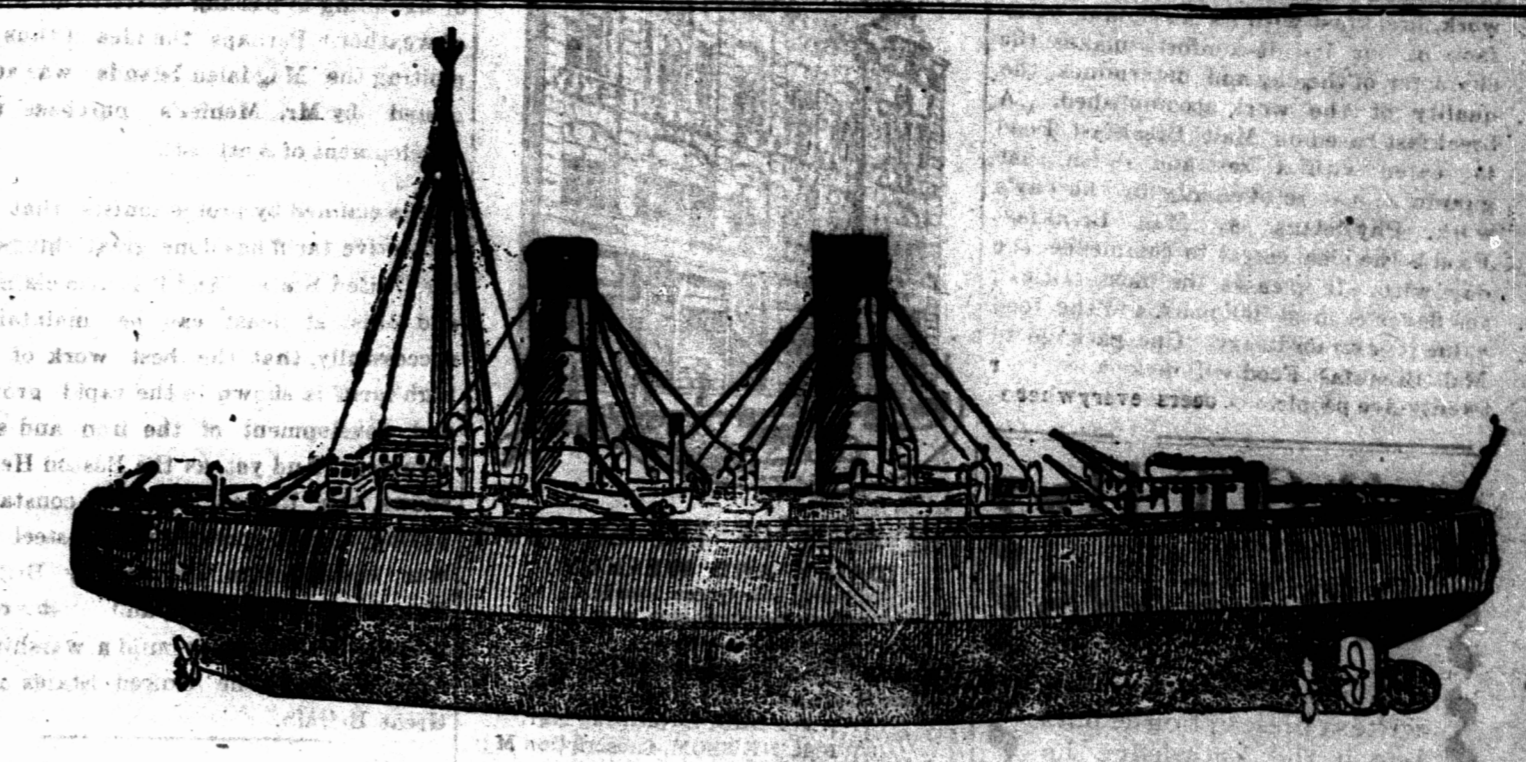
The following despatch came to Superintendent Sharp of the P. E. I. R. last night shortly after eight o'clock from M. G. Webster I. C. R. agent at Pictou. Through the kindness of Mr. Sharp The Guardian is able to publish it. It is as follows: G. A. Sharp, Superintendent P. E. I. R. The Minto and the Stanley this evening are about two miles of Little Entry, Caribou and about seven miles off Pictou wharf. The Stanley has made good progress today breaking towards the Minto. They are only about one hundred yards apart and it looks now as if she would soon be clear of the pan of Sea Cow Head ice.

M. G. Webster. I. C. R. Agent, Pictou. The Board of Trade however will relax no effort to release the Stanley, till she is absolutely free. It may be possible that the ships are in such a position that from Pictou they may appear closer together than they really are. However there seems a fair probability that the Stanley may be clear to day.

For some time it has been reported that when clear she will tow the disabled Minto to Halifax for repairs. The Guardian is enabled to authoritatively deny this report. It is probable that a request will be made at Ottawa and a telegram may be sent to that effect today, to have the dock at Pictou put in condition at once, and the Minto will be taken there while the Stanley will go at once on the Georgetown-Pictou route. It is hoped that traffic may be reopened during the present week. The news will bring gladness to many merchants who have waited long and anxiously for their delayed goods. At twenty minutes to eight last night A. P. Prowse, Murray Harbor South wired President Messervey:— He reports that he has seventy men ready to leave early in the morning in dories. The steamers can be seen from Wood Islands between Caribou and Pictou Islands. Two hundred pounds of dynamite with exploders was sent out in the forenoon and he thinks they reached the ship all right, probably about four o'clock.

Another two hundred pounds were sent this morning at two o'clock. Yesterday afternoon President Messervey waited on Superintendent Sharp for a special train to send two hundred more pounds of dynamite but as it was against the rules of the road it had to be sent by team. The driver expected to get to Eidon last night as he left early in the afternoon, and it is expected it can be sent to the steamers by eleven o'clock today. The sending of more laborers to the rescue is a most thoughtful move also, as it is reported from the ships that the men working at present are nearly played out. The following telegram was received yesterday forenoon from Pictou: J. A. MESSERVEY. Steamer four miles east Caribou, drifting close to shore, wind easterly, position extremely dangerous. No dynamite here, wire J. Parsons, Marine Agent, Halifax. Authority send special train dynamite Pictou to-day with four hundred pounds otherwise two days delay. Dodd Dwyer will take it out on arrival with life boat crew. I am leaving here noon with thousand dynamite exploders. Communicate in my absence with Dwyer. Have dynamite also at Cape Bear. McDONALD. During the afternoon yesterday the following telegrams were despatched: HON. D. A. MCKINNON. Ottawa.

We are sending hundred men with more dynamite to steamers McDonald landed today from steamers at Pictou, reports steamers in a very dangerous position between Pictou Island and Caribou. Capt. Finlayson urges leave nothing undone to send assistance get Minister Blair to authorize special trains when required free of charge. PREMIER PETERS. J. A. MESSERVEY, Pres. DODD DWYER. Pictou. Prowse sent 200 pounds dynamite to steamer this morning another 200 pounds this afternoon and we are shipping today from here 200 pounds to reach steamer tomorrow think no necessity ordering dynamite by special from Halifax have it come by regular train. PREMIER PETERS. J. A. MESSERVEY. The diver went down and examined the Minto's propellers, Sunday. He said it would take at least ten days to remove the stumps of the blades. The officers of both ships decided to abandon work at the propeller and concentrate all efforts in freeing the Stanley. The wind last night was blowing strongly from the north east and it is probable that the ice pan with the steamers will be carried back again over their course of Sunday to the vicinity of Beach Point and Murray Harbor.



THE GREAT ICE BREAKING ERMACK. THE WORLD'S GREATEST ICE BREAKER---THE ERMACK

A Ship That Cruises At Pleasure In the Baltic In All Conditions of the Winter Season and Breaks Through Ice of Thirty or Forty Feet With Hummock Ice of Greater Demension. Triumphant over the Worse Obstruction Found in Polar Seas.

The following article has been very kindly handed the Guardian by A. McNair of Bruce, Stewart & Co. The Guardian some time ago contained a lengthy description of this wonderful ship. It is probable that the course of Arctic and Antarctic exploration will be now entirely modified by the latest improvements in ice-breaking vessels of which the Ermack is the most notable example. An excellent report of the voyage of this vessel through the Baltic and into the Arctic circle was read before the Institute of Marine Engineers, and illustrated by lantern views. We compliment the Institute upon this modern and improved fashion of illustrating their technical papers, thereby adding greatly to the interest and to the enjoyable appreciation of such papers, as will admit of such illustration, by their audience. The Ermack makes no difficulty as to cruising about at pleasure in the Baltic in all conditions of the winter season, as at half boiler power it can make steady progress at 2 1/2 to 3 knots an hour through ice 12 to 14 ft. thick. It has just taken a jaunt last autumn of 200 miles direct north in the Arctic circle, forcing its way steadily ahead, and then turning back and forcing its way out, during which time it must have been dealing with ice 30 or 40 ft. thick, and heavy hummock ice of greater dimensions than that. It left Advent Bay on August 5, and on the following day encountered the first Polar ice. Then the fight commenced in real earnest, collisions with enormous masses occurring continually. When the steady forward progress was interrupted by masses of unusual weight and depth, the vessel would retire 100 yards and then charge at the opposing

mass. It will be remembered that in any way, and without the loss of anyone of the considerable complement of 125 souls on board, the Arctic expedition having been found but a pleasant autumn jaunt. The successful voyage, regardless of the worst obstructions of the polar ice for at least one-third of the whole distance from Spitzbergen to the North Pole gives much food for thought. Such a trip in this case was merely undertaken as a trial jaunt, and for the purpose of taking deep sea sounding and observations upon the temperature of the air and water, and upon the surrounding fauna. What might not then have been done with a determined effort to get as far north as possible. The short cut from Asia to America and vice versa across the Arctic Ocean is not without the range of practical politics, and the effort to reach the actual North Pole will soon be successfully accomplished without much risk to life or limb by the modern triumphs of the naval architect and the marine engineer combined.—Marine Engineer.

RIOT IN PORTUGAL COURTS ATTACKED

Stone the Troops, Who Reply With a Volley of Lead

Philadelph'a Authorities Will Disentomb Thirty-four Supposed Victims of Negro Herb Doctor Now Arrested.

THREE KILLED IN A RIOT. MADRID, March 16.—(Special)—During the rioting at Coimbra, Portugal on Sunday caused by the refusal of the inhabitants to pay taxes, a fight occurred which resulted in three persons being killed.

THE JUSTICE COURTS ATTACKED. The mobs attacked the Courts of Justice and stoned the troops, who replied with a volley. The inhabitants of neighboring villages flocked to Coimbra and swelled the mob.

HERB DOCTOR KILLS THIRTY FOUR. PHILADELPHIA, March 16.—(Special)—The police authorities have directed the opening of thirty-four graves, having evidence that leads them to believe George Hassey, a negro herb doctor, is responsible for that many deaths.

THE DOCTOR IN JAIL. Hassey in jail as an accessory to murder Wm. G. Damsel, who is believed to have been given slow poison by his wife.

Ladies' rubbers 45c, men's 55c, girl's 35c.—Goff Bros. 17 11

WRIGHT CLAIMS A PROTECTOR

In a Member of the British Royal Family

Chairman Flowers' Statement—Rumors Current in England—Prisoner Will be Extradited—A Delicate Affair.

A PRISONER'S GRAVE CHARGE. LONDON, March 16.—(Special)—John Flower, Chairman of the shareholders' committee which instigated the prosecution of Whitaker Wright, arrested on Saturday in New York says: "I see Wright is quoted as saying he had a powerful protector in an exalted quarter. That statement is not new, it is the keynote of the whole case. ROYALTY MIXED UP IN IT.

"Prior to the failure of the London and Globe, certain persons maintained that Wright had letters from leading members of the English Royal Family, showing they were mixed up in his transactions. AN EXTREMELY DELICATE MATTER.

"Within a few weeks the chief issue in the Wright case will be the question of complicity or otherwise of the most exalted personages in Wright's financial and other schemes. "I do not anticipate any difficulty in obtaining the extradition but the genuine prosecution will become an extremely delicate matter if he has such letters. "The Government will pay all the expenses of Wright's extradition."

CORNS BETWEEN THE TOES.

Are removed without pain in 24 hours by Putnam's Corn and Wart Extractor. Insist on your druggists supplying only 'Putnam's' for its the best and safest.

READ THIS AD

It will save you \$. Men's Overshoes 6 and 7 75c. Men's Rubbers 55c. Ladies' Rubbers worth 65c. now 45c. Girls 50c rubbers now 35c. Girls fine boots in prices from \$1.25 to \$1.88 not pointed but nice medium toe, this lot at 40 per cent off. Ladies' fine dongola boots sizes 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 at \$1.00 a pair. Also a nice line of last year's boots. These are broken lines but there are all sizes, this lot at 30 per cent off at

Goff Bros.

February Clearance Sale of Pictures

Your Chance for Low Priced Pictures A consignment of pictures shipped in mistake. We got them at our own price, and we offer you the benefit. Pictures that would be cheap at 15c., 20c. and 30c each, we are now offering at 7c, 10c, and 15c. each. These are good subjects, and are all nicely mounted on colored cards with mats. Come quick and make your selection.

HASZARD & MOORE P. S.—Every purchaser of \$1.00 worth of Pictures will get a handsome calendar free of charge.—H. & M.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes Amalgamated Copper, American Sugar, Atchison Common, etc.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, March 16.—(Special).—May Wheat 73; Corn, 45; Pork, \$17.85. July Wheat 70; Corn, 43; Pork, 17.15.

We have not advanced the price of our tobacco, Amber smoking tobacco, Bobs, Play chewing tobaccos are the same size and price to the consumer as formerly. We have also extended the time for the redemption of Snowshoe Tags to January 1st, 1904. THE EMPIRE TOBACCO Co., LIMITED

Advertisement for Surprise Soap: A pure hard Soap. SURPRISE SOAP. MAKES CHILD'S PLAY OF WASH DAY.

Advertisement for Geo. Carter & Co. Wall Paper: Paper Wall Paper. Illustration of a man with a roll of paper.