

GOLD AND JEWELS

200 FEET IN SEA.

Vessel Goes After Wealth on Board the Sunken Ward Liner.

Fifty-five miles off the Virginia Capes, lying in 200 feet of water, on a hard sandy bottom, are twenty-two tons of silver bar, six kegs of gold coin, \$500,000 in gold bars, 4700 tons of copper, and jewels worth \$1,000,000—treasure with a total value of about \$4,000,000, larger than any Captain Kidd ever buried or captured with the cutlass and the plank, says the New York Herald.

One day last week the dingy little steam trawler Ripple backed out from Pier 3, Hudson River, pushed her nose down stream, and headed for the Capes. If the horseshoe which was the last bit of cargo she took aboard was to be hung in the pilot house stands up to its traditions the Ripple will come back still a dingy trawler, but a treasure ship as well.

Captain Kidd would have turned away in disgust had he seen the Ripple casting off. Her skipper, Captain Carmichael, took the bridge in a dark business suit and straw hat. His black mustache—and right there his practical comparison falls flat—was clipped like those of 200,000 men on Broadway. The Ripple deck was crowded with salvaging apparatus, but there wasn't a cutlass in sight. It was all as much a part of the Spanish Main as the Hudson River Day Line.

Aboard the Ripple sailed L. V. MacKnight, president of the H. L. Gotham Corporation, of 15 Park Row, the company which has undertaken the Ripple's voyage as a matter-of-fact business proposition. The crew and the company don't regard the trip as an adventure. It's a wrecking job—more profitable than most of successful, that's all.

The treasure is in the sunken cargo of the Ward line steamship Merida, which went down off Cape Charles ten years ago last May. She was bound from Havana to New York, and one pitch black night, with a thick fog rolling in, she was smashed amidships by the Admiral Farragut of the American Mail Steamship Line. The Merida was found to have a hole in her side big enough for a tugboat to enter. The Admiral Farragut saved her crew and passengers, but the Merida thrust up her bow and sank with her \$4,000,000 cargo in thirty-five fathoms of water.

One other attempt has been made to salvage the Merida's cargo, but it was abandoned after a long spell of dirty weather, which made wrecking a difficult matter.

The Gotham Corporation believes it has taken every precaution to make the voyage of the Ripple less of a treasure hunt than a business undertaking. It has engaged as wrecking master a ship's officer who was chief mate of the Merida when she went down, Captain George W. Nordstrom, who knows the exact location of the lost liner. The chief diver will be Frank Crilley, who was chief diver in the salvaging of the United States naval submarine R-4, which sank off Waikiki Beach, Honolulu, in 300 feet of water. Crilley is said to have worked at greater depths than any other diver in the world. He holds the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The sea bottom at the point where the Merida went down is of hard gravel and sand.

The trawler Ripple is a sturdy craft, with stubby lines. She was built in 1910 at Fore River, Mass., and was used by the navy as a mine sweeper during the war. She is 114 feet overall, with a beam of 22 feet 5 inches and a draught of 11 feet 6 inches. She carried on her deck a twenty-eight foot motorboat to be used as an auxiliary. The Ripple sailed with a crew of twenty-five men, including the divers and wreckers.

present high price of paper, paper barrels cost somewhat more than ordinary wooden ones. However, taking into account the advantages attending the production of paper barrels on the spot as needed, large users probably will find them less expensive on the whole than wooden containers.

Real Estate Transfers.

Harbison-Walker Refractories Co. to G. W. Pfoutz, tract in Rush township; \$1.

Carrie Mullender, et bar, to Eva R. McClellan, tract in Spring township; \$1.

John W. Clark, et ux, to John J. Clark, tract in Benner township; \$1.

L. P. Gallagher, et bar, to Samuel Pletcher's heirs, tract in Howard township; \$500.

Edwin R. Wolfe, et ux, to Cyrus Zeigler, tract in Miles township; \$800.

John A. Kelley, et ux, to Wm. T. O'Brien, tract in Snow Shoe; \$2300.

Phillipsburg Coal and Land Co., to C. C. Bauge, tract in Phillipsburg; \$900.

Adam H. Krumrine, et ux, to H. P. Griffith, tract in State College; \$900.

John L. Holmes, et al, to Alvin Breon, et ux, tract in Ferguson township; \$1800.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Russell B. Nesbit, tract in State College; \$5275.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Morris W. White, tract in State College; \$5275.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Geo. W. Sullivan, tract in State College; \$5675.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to James P. Kelley, tract in State College; \$5250.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Philip M. Iloff, tract in State College; \$5475.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Walter H. Pielemeier, tract in State College; \$5475.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Jacob Sauges, tract in State College; \$5275.

Charles E. Snyder, et ux, to Edward N. Sullivan, tract in State College; \$6875.

Joseph C. Haines, et al, to Catherine Antes, tract in Phillipsburg; \$750.

Margaret B. MacDonald, to A. P. Weiland, tract in College township; \$9250.

Ray Bragmeir, et ux, to S. S. Shirt Co., tract in Phillipsburg; \$1500.

Thomas M. Weaver, et ux, to Earl Garrett, tract in Spring township; \$400.

William Bigelow, et al, to Superior Silica Brick Co., tract in worth township; \$175.

C. W. Keller, et ux, to L. Y. Greene, tract in Worth township; \$1.

Ray R. Kelsey, et ux, to Superior Silica Brick Co., tract in Bellefonte; \$1.

Luther L. Weaver, et ux, to Harris Stover, tract in Haines township; \$4500.

Margaret Weaver, et al, to Lydia M. E. Orndorf, tract in Haines township; \$50.

Emma C. Corman, et bar, to James E. Zeigler, tract in Haines township; \$2900.

Adam Weaver's Exrs., to L. D. Orndorf, tract in Haines township; \$1.

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Charles C. Orndorf, et al, to Lewis D. Orndorf, tract in Haines township; \$14.

I. G. Gordon Foster, et al, to Austin L. Patrick, tract in State College; \$500.

C. O. Broame, et ux, to William T. Wimmey, tract in Ferguson township; \$7800.

E. M. Watt, et ux, to George R.

Dunlap, et al, tract in Ferguson township; \$1200.

O. H. Nason, et ux, to Keystone Auto G. and O. S. Co., tract in Rush township; \$2000.

Sarah A. Buck to trustees Central Pa. Conference of U. B. church, tract in State College; \$5250.

Robert F. Hunter, et ux, to M. C. Hansen, tract in Bellefonte; \$750.

John L. Holmes, et ux, to Clyde L. Smeltzer, tract in State College; \$500.

John L. Holmes, et ux, to Pearl A. Krebs, tract in State College; \$500.

Kondrat Kusick, et ux, to Lewis Barsky, et ux, tract in Phillipsburg; \$5,000.

William F. Ross to Bell Ross, tract in Spring township; \$1.

Wm. B. Pletcher, et al, to Walter A. Daughenbaugh, et al, tract in Howard township; \$4,000.

Andrew C. Thompson, et ux, to Albert Nordberg, et al, tract in Phillipsburg; \$1.

W. E. Albert, et al, to Anna M. Bair, tract in Phillipsburg; \$1.

Vinton Beckwith to Sarah J. Merri-man, tract in Taylor township; \$400.

James A. Barrett, et ux, to Ziela Wren, tract in Spring township; \$1,200.

Harry Dukeman, sheriff, to Gardner Long, tract in Potter township; \$3,500.

William Wenzel to Mary C. Wenzel, tract in Curtin township; \$1,600.

Laomia C. Harris, executor, to Ellen D. Meese, tract in Bellefonte; \$3,400.

Jacob Stover, et ux, to William H. Stover, tract in Haines township; \$975.

A. R. Alexander, et ux, to John Braucht, tract in Penn township; \$225.

Hannah Groves, et al, to Earl B. Showers, tract in Milesburg; \$150.

Thomas R. Pierpoint, et al, to Paul H. McGarvey, et ux, tract in Bellefonte; \$4,500.

J. W. Pfoutz, et ux, to Harbison-Walker Refractories Co., tract in Worth township; \$1.

Church Extension of Evangelical church to Church Trustees of United Evangelical church, tract in State College; \$2,000.

Albert B. Curtin, et ux, to Phillipsburg Hotel Corp., tract in Phillipsburg; \$5,000.

Samuel E. Martz to Thomas G. Crownover, tract in Ferguson township; \$130.

John F. Sweitzer, et ux, to Foster E. Housel, tract in Spring township; \$1,100.

Simon Rote's Exr's to C. S. Musser, tract in Haines township; \$1,400.

Week End and Weak End.

"The late Champ Clark," said a Chicagoan, "was an out-and-out American. He hated all kinds of affectations and fads. He wouldn't let you call a sitting-room a living-room, or a silk hat a topper, or a shoe store a boot shop. Get what I mean?"

"I ran across Champ one Sunday afternoon on the boardwalk at Atlantic City. 'Hullo boy, what you doin' down here?' he asked me in his hearty way. 'I am down here for my weekend,' said I. Champ gave a sneer. 'Oh,' he said, 'something wrong with your head, eh?'"

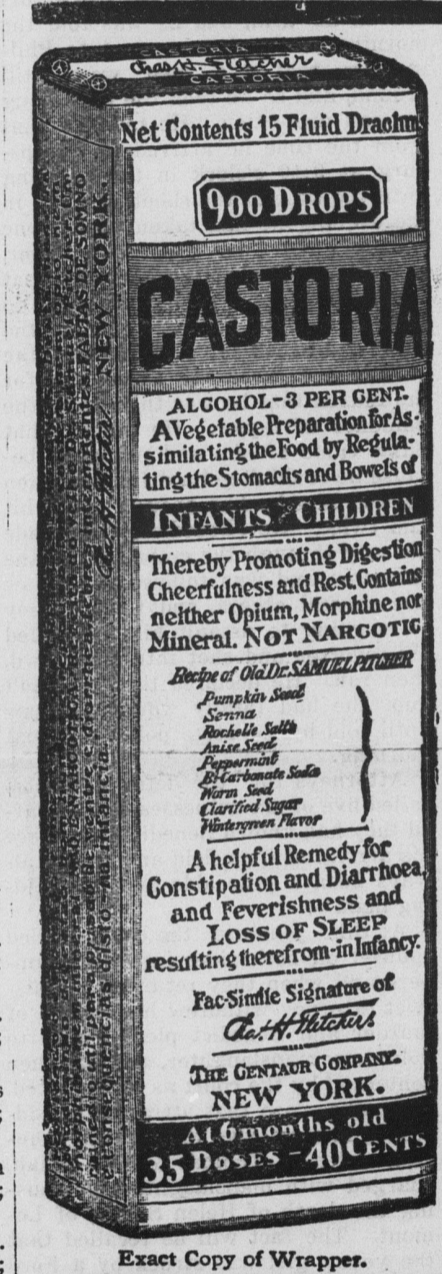
NEW MACHINE MAKES PAPER BARRELS.

Manufacturers whose products are packed in barrels find the container problem an increasingly difficult one. Owing to soaring prices of materials and increased labor costs prices are much higher than they were a few years ago and it is not always easy to obtain what is wanted at any price. If the manufacturer depends on a cooperage shop to keep him supplied from day to day he can't be certain that he will always have all the barrels he wants when he wants them. If he tries to overcome this difficulty by buying large quantities in advance he finds that a large storage space must be provided because barrels are bulky.

A machine calculated to solve the barrel problem has lately been invented. It is designed to be installed as part of any plant's equipment and to be operated by any intelligent person. The raw materials can be stored in much smaller space than is required for barrels, staves or hoops and barrels can be turned out just as needed.

Chip paper, made from waste paper, rope and other waste fibrous material, is used for making the barrels. A roll of paper is placed in the machine and its end is attached to a two-part mandrel. The machine is then thrown into gear and as the mandrel rotates the paper is wound on it. As the paper strip passes from roll to mandrel it is coated on one side with silicate of soda (water glass) which cements the layers together. The advantage of this adhesive is that it sets quickly, permitting the use of the barrels shortly after they have come from the machine. After paper has been wound on the mandrel to the requisite thickness for the barrel the two parts of the mandrel are drawn apart and the cylindrical shell is removed. After this step which consumes less than a minute of time, heads either of wood or pressed steel are attached and the container is ready for use.

The paper barrel produced by the machine is lighter and tighter than a wooden barrel. It is clean and neat but not so strong as a well-made wooden barrel and therefore cannot be used as a container for heavy, bulky commodities. Because of the



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