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## HECTOR CREW SAVED AT SEA

Rescue Ships.

Survivors Tell Thrilling Tales-Vessel, Now Total Wreck-Was Built At Sparrows Point.

Charleston, S. C .- The 139 seamen and marines who took refuge in open boats when the disabled naval collier Hector was abondoned at sea, seven miles northeast of Cape Romain, have been saved.

Captain Bryant, of the Charleston Navy Yard, announced that the men had been picked up by the lighthouse ender Cypress.

Two Vessels To Rescue. Included among the survivors are 57 marines. The collier was abandoned'

when she was driven ashore nine miles off Charleston lightship after being disabled in the gale which swept the Atlantic Coast. The Cypress and Wilmington were

sent to the rescue and effected a remarkable rescue in view of the high wind and extraordinary roughness of the seas. Captain Bryant said that the last

seen of the Hector she was breaking in two. The steamer Alamo had been standing by the collier, having responded to her calls when she was disabled some

60 miles off here. When the Navy Department heard of the plight of the Hector the powerful wireless station at Arlington sent out a general call to vessels in the vicinity of the collier to go to her assistance and to stand by until the dan-

ger was passed. The call was heard

by the Alamo, which forthwith went to the collier's assistance. Vigilant Gets Call.

The first definite news that was received from the collier came through the tug Vigilant, when Captain Hunt succeeded in getting in wireless communication with the Hector and learn-

ed that a steamship was standing by. Later the Vigilant reported that the Hector was 14 miles off Charleston and was making headway with difficulty at the rate of four miles an hour. At the same time the Alamo was still with

As the Hector approached the Charleston lightship her difficulties became greater and the heavy sea began to break her in two. Finally she was unable to make further headway and after trying vainly to withstand the tremendous seas which rolled over her she sank, it is reported. The Vigilant reports that part of her superstruc-

ture still remains above water. The Hector was bound for Santo Domingo by way of Guantanamo. The marines which she carried were recruits to fill up the vacancies in the expedition now in Cuba and Santo

Hector Holds Record.

The Hector made a new record for discharging coal in August, 1910, at the naval coaling station at Bradford, R. I., when she delivered 2,200 tons in seven hours. This was at the rate of nearly five and one-fourth tons a minute.

Soon after she was placed in commission thieves went aboard the Hector at Hampton Roads and stripped the engine room and deck of brass work valued at \$500. As a result the fuel ship had to be taken to a navy yard for repairs.

Propelled by twin screws, the Hector had a speed of about 121/2 knots. She is a vessel of 11,230 tons. Her dimensions are: Length over all, 403 teet, 53 feet beam and 32.6 feet depth. She is a sister ship of the Mars and the Vulcan, which were built in 1909.

Three seamen of the Hector were drowned on May 28, when a whaleboat capsized in Cocoa Bay, Santo Domingo.

Cargo Worth \$500,000.

The Hector carried coal, oil and stores valued at \$500,000. The ship's value was \$479,600, which was the contract price paid to the Maryland Steel Company, of Sparrows Point, Baltimore, which completed her in 1909.

U. S. MAY INITIATE PEACE MOVE.

Sounding Ambassadors As To Euro. pean Conditions.

Berlin .- The United States is confidentially sounding American Ambassadors regarding internal conditions in Europe, and the public's attitude toward peace, the Amsterdam correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung reports, with the object of initiating a peace move. The Amsterdam correspondent said he received this news from a reliable source in London.

CONGRESS PLANS TO ADJOURN.

August 20 Tentatively Agreed Upon By Senate Democrats.

Washington.-Adjournment of Congress not later than August 20 was tentatively agreed upon by the Senate Democrats in caucus to revise their legislative program with a view to bringing the session to an early close.

# STATE NEWS

Taken From Doomed Collier By The Latest Gleanings From All Over the State.

#### HECTOR HOLDS RECORD TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Struck by lightning while on duty as a trackwalker on the Pennsylvania Raffroad, William Schultz, aged thirtysix, was so badly burned, he died at the Bloomsburg Hospital.

With only seven dissenting votes, the men of the Borough of New Cumberland, sanctioned a \$15,000 bond issue for the erection of a new school

At a meeting of Tamaqua Council it was decided to grant street laborers an eight-hour day at \$1.75, and to increase the pay of police \$5 each per

Playing at war with a shotgun at Orwigsburg, Harvey Reed, six years old, son of Samuel Reed, shot a playmate, Clifford Rudolph, nine years old. The boy's hand was blown off.

David Kulick, of Nesquehoning, received a message from the Navy Department stating that his son, Peter Kulick, a United States marine, was killed in the Philippine Islands by a

Lillie, five-year-old daughter of Robert Fenstermaker, tenant on the farm of former Mayor Charles O. Hunsieker. of Allentown, was killed when she sought shelter under a large oak tree near her father's home between Catasauqua and Schoenersville, and was struck by lightning.

Frank Yudisky, nineteen years old, fell 850 feet from a cage to the bottom of the Susquehanna Coal Company's Scott shaft, Shamokin, and was killed, and John Pipa, thirty-two. was killed, trying to prevent the former from falling. Companions saved Hipa from falling after he was crushed between the cage and side of the shaft.

Figures show that the Connelsville oke region during the first half of the year produced 11,313,222 tons of coke, an increase of 3,976,678 tons over the corresponding period of last year. The region is now producing at the rate of 22,000,000 tons annually, approximately ten per cent, more than

Two boys were drowned at Williamsport in different sections of the city. Joesph Keller, aged fourteen years, was drowned in the Susquehanna River, and John K. Creamer, aged twelve years, was drowned in Lycoming Creek. Both boys were swimming and were accompanied by tioys of their own age.

The Corbin colliery, Shamokin, operated by the Robertson Company, was tied up by 300 employes going on strike to have the company employ several men recently discharged. Some time ago the latter took a contract to drive a breast. They subsequently objected to the price paid per prop for setting timber and quit work.

Fire at Duryea caused the destruction of the three-story hotel of John McCullen, and a two-story block occupied by the families of John De Hara and William Wickersall, Thomas Commer, of the Lawrenceville Fire Company, was killed by falling elecric wires. The loss is estimated at \$20,000.

Application was made to the Dauphin County Court for a charter for the William Penn Highway Association for the improvement of streets and highways along a route between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh and the Ohio State line. The association will have offices at Harrisburg, but no capital stock. A number of residents of counties along the route of the proposed highway are to be directors.

The jury empaneled by Coroner Mc-Lathery to inquire into the death of Walter Bernhart and H. Ray Heinley. of Pottsville, found that the two men were drowned in the Schuylkill at Norristown by the capsizing of a canoe which was overturned largely because of the inexperienced paddling of Horace Overdorf, of Spring City. The jury found that he did not wilfully upset the craft.

Pottsville will get a Carnegie Library with an endowment of \$45,000 as the result of the release of control of members of the Citlzens' Board, which has controlled the library since its organization in Pottsville. The control of the library has been turned over to the City School Board. In order to get the Carnegie appropriation for a publie building, it was necessary to have a guaranteed annual appropriation of \$4,500. The school board was advised that it could not legally make an appropriation to the library unless it had control. Some of the citizens who established the library will remain on the board, but the school directors will appoint the majority of the board of





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