THE WRECK OF THE SCHILLER .-According to the report of the Committee of Inquiry on the wreck of the steamship Schiller on the Seilly Islands, the "accident" was occasioned by the total neglect of the directions for approaching the English Channel, and of the instructions is ued by the Eagle Company for the safe navigation of their ships. The former warn navigators to guard against a norterly set when approaching Sel'ly, and inculcate the necessity of a carpful use of lead in thick weather. The latter are equally stringent in urging commanders of vesels not to neglect any of the usual precautions when making the land. The committee found that the captain had assumed an erroneous position for his ship-the weather not having permitted observations for three day-but the report says: "Had a cast of lead been taken at eight or even nine o'clock, before the course was altered to S. S. W., from the depth of water and nature of of the bottom, it would have shown them their proximity to danger and the error in their reckoning, and would probably have averted this sad disaster." The committee express no opinion of the comparative merits of fog horns or belis-a question considerably discussed during the inve-tigation -but the "accident" has given pretty good evidence of the fact that lights cannot always be seen, nor the sound of fog bells heard at the distance which light and sound are expected to reach, Prof. Tyndall's recent experiment with fog horns, bells and whistles seem to show that even in clear weather sound sometimes falls to travel more than half a mile from the mouth of the most powerful horn, while at other times, in foggy weather, it may be heard a distance of ten or twelve miles. If it be true that the air may be acoustically clear or clouded without regard to its optical condition, the fact that those on board the Schiller failed to hear the fog bells on the Scilly Islands my be accounted for, and the necessity is shown for greater care than has been here'ofore exercised in approaching coasts where dependence is placed on signals from light houses.

Havy it Feels to be Hanged. A Paris newspaper gives this extract from the notes of a young fellow who tried to commit suicide and was cut down before suffocation was complete. He was delighted to return to life, and it is noted that would-be suicides who are rescued from their self-sought fate rarely renew their attempts to shuffle off this moral coil : "When I stood on the chair the mirror on the mantlepiece involuntarily attracted me, and I looked at myself as I fastened the slip knot around my neck. Blood flowed in my head, for my face was very read ; something took place as the same time in my optic nerves, for it seemed to me that my face suddenly began to make grimaces. My eyes and nose changed places incessantly, like the pieces of a kaleidoscope. I kicked the chair from under me, and fell with the sensation that I had been struck on the top of my head with a hammer. I did not at first feel the rope around my neck. The only very clear impression which followed the blow with the hammer on my skull was that of great heaviness in the head. It seemed to me that my head was larger and heavier on my shoulders than the great bell of Notre Dame. At the same time I felt an immense night falling in and around me. Then I felt extremely cold at my lower extremities, and at the same time an acute, terrible pain in my neck, which was produced by the rope, which cut my skin and sawed my veins. Then I felt nothing. Evidently this was the moment when my good aunt Cecil entered my room and cut me down."

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