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WITH CHILDHOOD PRAYERS ON THEIR LIPS HUNDREDS OF TITANIC PASSENGERS SANK TO THEIR DEATH

ALL SURVIVORS OF DISASTER TELL OF ACTS OF HEROISM OF WHICH TAIT'S AIDE, BUTT, WAS AMONG THE FOREMOST—WOMEN SURVIVORS TELL OF TAKING THEIR TURN AT THE OARS IN THE LIFEBOATS—PRESIDENT ISMAY OF STEAMSHIP LINE TELLS OF HOW HE ESCAPED, WHILE OTHERS WERE LOST—DENIES THAT THE SHIP WAS RUNNING AT FULL SPEED WHEN IT STRUCK THE ICEBERG.

New York, April 19.—Seven hundred and forty-five persons, mostly women, sick in head and body, wrote in the annals of modern history today the loss of the greatest steamer ever built.

They were the survivors of the Titanic, which went down with 1,501 persons on board, and causing the death of fifteen hundred and ninety-five persons. With one voice they told of the splendid heroism of those who remained behind.

The following facts stand out in relief:

The Titanic was making twenty-one knots an hour.

None thought she would sink.

The vessel remained afloat over two hours.

The iceberg ripped the bowels of the Titanic below the water-line.

Captain Smith averted an instant panic by his terse appeal to the crew of "Be British, my men."

Thrilling additional details were given out today by Colonel Archibald Gracie. "When I jumped into the water," he said, "my watch stopped at 2:20 a. m. I greatly feared being boiled to death. The Titanic's funnel broke in two and fell near me, scattering bodies. Presently I clambered on an already loaded raft. One more man would have sunk it. To save all from drowning, we had to warn the other strugglers away. 'Hold on

to what you have,' we shouted to them and as many as twenty went to death. They answered 'Good luck, and God bless you.'

Men who seemed to have forgotten all prayers, remembered those of childhood and addressed their Creator. We all said the Lord's prayer and over together. We stood in the half submerged raft, two columns deep, back to back. If a man moved, it would swamp the boat. Finally we were picked up by the Carpathia's boat."

According to John Johnson, a member of the crew, more would have met death but for the unparalleled self-sacrifice of Captain Smith, who from the bridge called through the megaphone, "Be British." This became the rallying cry of the officers and crew. Sailors who showed evidence of rushing for the boats were recalled to duty by Captain Smith. "When Ismay jumped into the last boat," said Johnson, "there were no women left on the deck. He was forced in by officers."

Miss Alice Franan, a leading New York physician, was saved in the same boat as Countess Rothes. The countess is an expert rower. She said: "She practically took command of our boat, when we found that the stewards at the oars could not row skillfully. Other women followed her example at the oars, while the stewards sat helpless in the end of the boat."

New York, N. Y., April 19.—The total toll of lives in the Titanic disaster was 1,501. The Carpathia brought 745 survivors to New York last night. Fifteen hundred and ninety-five went down with the ship and six died after being rescued. All the prominent men, whose death was feared, are known to have perished. The survivors saw the Titanic sink with the band playing "Nearer, My God, to Thee." There was no panic. All women were saved except those who refused to leave their husbands. Among these was Mrs. Strauss. Manager Ismay of the steamship company denies that he was the first into the lifeboat. Butt and Astor were among the heroes. Butt stood at the steering passage with an iron bar in his hand, defending the women from the maddened men. The Titanic was broken in two and sunk with an explosion. The ship was going over 20 knots an hour when it struck the iceberg. Some say that the ship was making at least 21 knots an hour in an effort to smash the speed record. This is confirmed by J. H. Moody, a quartermaster of the vessel and helmsman on the night of the disaster.

"It was close to midnight," said Moody, "and I was on the bridge with the second officer, who was in command. Suddenly he shouted 'Port your helm!' I did so, but it was too late. We struck the submerged portion of the berg."

One survivor does not know that the Titanic sank, carrying down his father, mother and sister. He is Travers Allison, aged 11 months, who is now at the Hotel Manhattan with his nurse. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allison of Montreal, and his 3-year-old sister, Lorain, were left on the Titanic deck.

H. Haven of Indianapolis, a survivor, said that in the rush for the lifeboats, many in a frenzy jumped into the sea. As they rowed away, the Titanic buckled amidship and sank. "It was below freezing," he said. "Neither the men nor women of our boat had wraps. Several of them died. The officer in charge decided it was better to bury them. They were weighted and sunk in the sea. We could see similar burials taking place at the other lifeboats all about us."

Ismay Before Committee.

New York, N. Y., April 19. President Ismay told the senate investigation committee of the disaster today. Asked for the circumstances of his escape by Chairman Smith, he said, almost in a whisper: "One of the boats being filled, the officers called to know if there were more women to go. There were none and no passengers on deck. As the boat was lowered I got in."

Ismay on the stand this afternoon denied that the Titanic was running at full speed.

Captain Rostron, who followed Ismay on the stand, wept when he told of the prayer held on the rescuing vessel after the survivors were picked up. When he arrived on the scene, he said he could see all the lifeboats within a radius of three miles. The icebergs were all about, but the survivors acted magnificently.

Raynor Attacks Ismay.

Washington, D. C., April 19.—Senator Raynor bitterly attacked Ismay in the senate today, charging that the captain was acting under his orders to make a speedy passage. "Ismay should be held responsible," said Raynor. He said that any civilized government would applaud criminal prosecution of the management of the line.

Wireless Operator Died.

Thomas Whitley, a waiter, who is one of the survivors, said that the Marconi operator Phillips stuck to his post to the last and then jumped. He was pulled aboard a raft, but died later and was buried at sea with three others of the crew.

LADY DUFF-GORDON.

New York, N. Y., April 19.

Lady Duff-Gordon, who was saved in one of the last boats, said: "A panic was beginning to seize the passengers, when our boats left. Men tried to enter our boat, but were forced back at the point of Captain Smith's revolver. Several were felled before order was restored. Just as we cleared, a man rushed to get aboard. He was shot and killed instantly. His body fell in the boat at our feet. It remained there untouched until we reached the Carpathia. I saw bodies in the water in all directions. The poor people could not have lived long."

New York, April 18.—The Cunard liner Carpathia, a ship of gloom and

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ly heard by the survivors adrift.

A moment more and the Titanic had gone to her doom with the fated hundreds grouped on the afterdeck. To the survivors they were visible to the last and their cries and moans were pitiable.

How the Titanic Sank.

New York, April 18.—How the Titanic sank is told by Charles F. Hurd, a staff correspondent of the Evening World, who was a passenger on the Carpathia, and who tonight furnished that newspaper with his account.

He gives the number of lives lost as 1700. He praises highly the courage of the crew, hundreds of whom gave their lives with a heroism, which is equaled but not exceeded, the account says, by that of John J. Astor, Henry B. Harris, Jacques Futrell and others in the long list of first cabin passengers.

It was the explosion of the boilers, according to Mr. Hurd's account, which finally finished the Titanic's career. The bulkhead system, though probably working, prevailed only to delay the ship's sinking. The position of the ship's wound on the starboard quarter admitted icy water, according to Hurd's story, which caused the boilers to explode, and these explosions broke the ship in two. The ship's string band gathered in the saloon near the end, the narrative says, and played "Nearer, My God to Thee." The account continues:

"The crash against the iceberg, which had been sighted at only a quarter-mile distance, came almost simultaneously with the click of the levers operated at the bridge, which stopped the engines and closed the water-tight doors. Capt. Smith was on the bridge a moment later, summoned all on board to put on life preservers and ordered the lifeboats lowered.

"The first boats had more male passengers, as the men were the first to reach the deck. When the rush of frightened men and women and crying children to the deck began the 'women first' rule was rigidly enforced.

"Officers drew revolvers, but in most cases there was no use for them. Revolver shots heard shortly before the Titanic went down caused many rumors—one that Capt. Smith had shot himself, another that First Officer Murdoch had ended his life, but members of the crew discredited these rumors.

"Capt. Smith was last seen on the bridge, just before the ship sank,

leaping only after the decks had been washed away.

"What became of the men with the life preservers was a question asked by many since the disaster. 'Many of those with life preservers were seen to go down despite the preservers, and dead bodies floated on the surface as the boats moved away.

"Mrs. Isidor Strauss refused to leave her husband's side and both perished together.

"Harold Cotton, Marconi operator on the Carpathia, did not go to bed at his usual time Sunday night and as a result caught the first message of the Titanic's plight, which was responsible for saving the hundreds of rescued who landed in New York tonight.

"It was testified to by several survivors that the Titanic was going twenty-three knots an hour when she crashed into the iceberg."

Died Like Heroes.

New York, April 18.—Major Archibald Butt and John Jacob Astor died like heroes.

This was the statement of Mrs. Churchill Candee of Washington, D. C., who was taken from the Carpathia with both her legs broken. She was hurried in an ambulance to a hospital. Mrs. Candee said she received her injuries while getting into a lifeboat.

Most of the men saved, she declared.

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