

## STEERAGE TRAVEL CONDITIONS AWFUL

Report of Special Agents of Immigration Commission Describe Them as Appalling.

EVERYTHING DIRTY, STICKY.

Worse Than All Is the Bad Influence That Tends to Immorality.

Washington, Dec. 13.—A report on steerage conditions, based on information obtained by special agents of the immigration commission, traveling as steerage passengers on different transatlantic steamers, was made public today through presentation to the senate with recommendations for legislation to better conditions. Conditions found in many of these vessels are described as appalling.

The general report of the commission contains the reports of individuals giving their experiences on board steamships of which they posed as steerage passengers. A woman agent, who was insulted and compelled to withstand repulsive privations, said:

### WOMAN AGENT'S EXPERIENCE.

"In those 12 days in the steerage, I lived in disorder and in surroundings that offended every sense. Only the fresh breeze from the sea overcame the sickening odors, the vile language of the men, the screams of the women defending themselves, the crying of children, wretched because of their surroundings, especially every sound that reached the ears, irritated beyond endurance. There was no sight before which the eye did not prefer to close. 'Everything was dirty, sticky and

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disagreeable to the touch. Every impression was offensive. Worse than this was the general aid to immorality. For 15 hours each day I witnessed all around me this improper, indecent and forced mingling of men and women, who were total strangers and often did not understand one word of the same language. People cannot live in such surroundings and not be influenced."

The woman agent had told of the mingling of the crew with women of the steerage, and said the same was true of the men steerage passengers with the women.

Agents of the immigration commission say that on many steamships men stewards and members of the crew, as well as male steerage passengers, crowd into the compartments set aside for the women and constantly pass through the passageways of such compartments, so that no woman in the steerage "had a moment's privacy."

### OUTRAGES BY CREW.

"Members of the crew," said one woman agent, "never failed to deal a woman passenger a blow when she was found standing on the framework of a lower berth to get anything from an upper berth. If a woman was dressing they always stopped to watch her, and frequently hit and handled her. 'One night the chief steerage stew-

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and entered our compartments, but, not noticing me, approached a Polish girl who was apparently the only occupant. She spoke in Polish, saying, 'My head aches, please go and let me alone.' But he continued and soon was insulting her. The girl, weakened by seasickness, defended herself as best she could, but soon was struggling to get out of the man's arms. Just then other passengers entered and he released her."

The writer tells of repelling advances on the part of the crew and stewards with a hard, unexpected blow in the offender's face. She says: "The manner in which the sailors, stewards, firemen and others mingled with the women passengers was thoroughly revolting. Their language and the topics of their conversation were vile. Their comments about the women and made in their presence were coarse."

Concerning other conditions in the old type of steerage which still exists on many steamships, agents of the commission are just as severe. In the introduction to the report it is stated:

### UNIVERSAL NEEDS.

"The universal needs of space, air, food, sleep and privacy are recognized in the degree now made compulsory by law. Beyond that the persons carried are looked upon as so much freight, with mere transportation as their only due."

The sleeping quarters are described as being in many cases filthy, inadequate and all that is bad. Good conditions are described in connection with investigations of some steamships, and it is declared that competition was the most forceful influence that led to the development of the improved type of steerage.

No woman with the smallest degree of modesty and with no other conveniences than a washroom used jointly with men, and a faucet with cold salt water, can keep clean amidst such surroundings for 12 days and more, the report says. It was forbidden to bring water for washing purposes into the sleeping compartments, nor was there anything which could bring it. Senator Dillingham, chairman of the immigration commission, introduced in the senate today two bills intended to correct much of the evil by which the complaint is made.

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### SERIES OF ACCIDENTS STOPS MURDER TRIAL

Cincinnati, Dec. 13.—A lost cuff-button, a fall on the icy pavement, and a broken collar bone and a broken wrist stopped the wheels of justice in a murder trial here today. May Ewing, colored, was being tried on the charge of murdering Al Owens, colored. Walter Ludlow, one of the jurors, fell on the icy pavement and his wrist was broken. On arriving home he discovered that in the fall, he had lost a cuff-button. He went back to search for the button, fell again and dislocated his collar bone. The murder trial is postponed.

### ONLY LEPER IN UNITED STATES ARMY DEAD

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 13.—Death removed perhaps the only case of leprosy in the United States army today when First Serg. C. O. Mix of the Seventy-second company, coast artillery,

died in his lonely cottage on the Fort Screven reservation. The body will be buried with full military honors in the national cemetery in accordance with the last request of the dead soldier.

Mix served in the Cuban campaign, where he contracted the disease. His father died recently, leaving him \$40,000, but the money was of no avail to him. His pay as a soldier also had accumulated.

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