
The Lookout



NEW BUILDING

South Street and Coenties Slip

From a Recent Photograph

THE SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK
ONE STATE STREET

SIX WEEKS TO MAY 1ST.

\$250,000 Still To Raise

The new Institute for seamen on South Street and Coenties Slip will be finished by May 1st—only six weeks away.

It must be opened free of debt if we are to receive \$100,000 subscribed with that condition attached.

Seamen need the new building.

New York needs it in the fight against waterfront evils.

The work of the Institute demands it.

And the building will be finished, ready for occupancy, in six weeks!!

BUT, before it can be dedicated, \$250,000 must be raised.

Will you give \$5,000 or more and become a "Founder"?

Will you give 1,000 or more and become a "Benefactor"?

Will you give 1,000 for one of the three Elevators?

Will you give 2,000 for the Baggage Department and Equipment?

Will you give 2,500 for the Kitchen (or "Galley")?

Will you give 1,500 for the Store ("Slop-Chest")?

Will you give 1,500 for the Laundry?

Will you give 1,250 for the Magneta Clocks?

Will you give 600 for the Fountains?

Will you give 500 for the Staff Sitting Room?

Will you give 500 for the Ass't Superintendent's Study?

Will you give 250 for an Officer's room? Only 26 left.

Will you give 100 for a Seaman's bedroom? Only 60 left.

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The Arm of Anastesiades

The insistently optimistic note has been pretty clearly sounded in all the LOOKOUT'S stories about the seamen who come to the Institute for help, but, by way of contrast, here is a little story of Anastesiades, the Greek, a thoroughly successful "bluffer."

Anastesiades used to come to No. 1 State Street every day. He sat in the outside office glowering at the world, his chin on his chest, and his left hand carefully supporting a well-bandaged right arm. And it was this injured arm which constituted his right to sit about the Institute, sullenly gloomy. Because Anastesiades wanted to collect \$5,000 damages from his last ship and the Institute tried to help him, through the seamen's branch of the Legal Aid Society.

He said that just before reaching this port, while helping to lash a derrick, the waves had come overside and washed him against the boat so violently as to dislocate his elbow and, presumably, splinter the end of the bone. Upon investigation, however, it was found that the Captain of this boat had taken the Greek aboard at a Mediterranean port upon the insistence of the British Consul there, since Anastesiades was a British subject—a native of Crete. And it further developed that a Genoese physician had discovered the trouble with his arm

and treated it some time before that. Moreover, the mate on the vessel testified that on the day following the accident, the Greek had carried a fifty-pound bag across the deck with the injured arm.

Altogether there was an unpleasant cloud of skepticism about Anastesiades' bandaged arm, which was increased when he was discharged from the Long Island College Hospital as cured sufficiently to be able to work.

But Anastesiades differed vehemently on that point. He insisted that he could do nothing useful and that he must have his \$5,000 damages from the ship. He continued to haunt the corridors of the Institute and to live pleasantly but gratuitously at the Breakwater. A large fund of patience, that most supremely extolled of the Christian virtues, was required in dealing with the ubiquitous Anastesiades.

Over at the Legal Aid Society, also, patience wore very thin indeed, but the desire to mete out justice and fair play prevailed. That Society got a bone specialist, who insisted upon an operation, and when this was performed it was proved conclusively that the accident to the elbow had occurred at least two years ago.

So that when Anastesiades was released from the hospital he was told that if he wanted to accept \$100 from the vessel owners for whatever slight

aggravation the ship had caused to his old injury, he could pay his debts and start over again. He owed several bills which \$100 would have paid and left him a small margin.

But Anesthesiades held out strongly for \$5,000, so his case was dismissed by the Legal Aid. And he disappeared without paying his debts. It is supposed that he returned to Crete, there to start a fresh action where no one knows the facts. Those who had endured, with fine self-restraint, the gloom of the indolent Greek were able to support his loss bravely. There was even an atmosphere of controlled rejoicing and this all goes to prove that even social workers are human.

Lighthouse Dedication on Roof of New Building

On the afternoon of Tuesday, April 15, at 3:30 o'clock, there will be a ceremony on the roof of the new Institute to dedicate the Lighthouse Tower and Time Ball to all those who lost their lives on the "Titanic." This ceremony is being held on the anniversary of the "Titanic" disaster, April 15, 1912.

As the space on the roof is necessarily very limited, invitations are being issued only to those who contributed to the "Titanic" Memorial Lighthouse and to the members of the Committees who assisted in making the Memorial possible.

Main Stair-case Taken

Mrs. John E. Alexandre has taken the Main Staircase at \$3,500 in memory of John E. Alexandre. This is the staircase which, running from the main floor up to the Auditorium, helps to introduce the seaman to the hospitality of the Institute.

The "Longboat"

"What shall we do with the drunken sailor?"

Put him in the longboat and let him bail 'er."

This old couplet, with which every nautical person is familiar, refers to the disposal of inebriated sailors on shipboard, and the Institute realized its need for a "Longboat" on shore.

At the suggestion of Miss Augusta de Peyster, who gave \$350 to pay for it, a room was set aside on the fifth floor for the use of those seaman guests who come to the Institute stupidly intoxicated. There have been partitions erected in the "Longboat," which will accommodate twelve men at a time, and each space is to be equipped with a mattress placed upon the floor. This is to avoid accidents attendant upon a stupefied seaman rolling out of bed.

Partitions seemed advisable because it was felt that if several men occupied the "Longboat" at once, misunderstandings might arise during the sobering process which would result in serious injury.

Elevators \$1,000 Each

There are three elevators, two passenger and one service, which may be given.

Certainly there is a distinctly unique flavor about the gift of an elevator to the new Institute. The lifts are exceedingly useful and important, and their bestowal would sound the modern note of active progress.

Quite seriously, is it not pretty obvious that the life of the average seaman is astonishingly full of uplift and downfall?

The Versatile Edward

A great many people seem cursed with a sort of fatal facility. They have a multiplicity of talents without any supremely developed ability. Edward Thompson is one of those persons.

He sat erect and perfectly at ease in the office of the Building Department and discussed himself in detail.

"I guess I'm sixteen, or maybe seventeen. Sixteen's enough, though," was his naive reply to the inevitable query.

Edward was born with cataracts over both eyes and it was through the operation performed while he was at the New York Institution for the Blind which gave him the use of one eye. The other eye had to be removed.

"I get awful tired of explaining about my glass eye," he said, "and I can see just as well with my good eye as most people can with two whole eyes."

The "good" one was a very nice, frank, wide, brown eye and it was not difficult to believe that it was nearly as useful as two.

Edward was quite happily expansive. The Institute had just gotten him a berth as cabin boy on a boat bound for Liverpool; he was clad in a suit of gray tweed and the high leather boots which boys delight in; moreover, he was to be given a quarter and allowed to spend the day with his mother over on Long Island. So he was quite willing to talk of his accomplishments.

"I used to work in a cotton mill up in Connecticut when I was younger. And then I found I could make more money playing the piano for clubs and

entertainments. I play the piano fine—anything you like—by ear. Then I got a job as cabin boy and went to Panama. Down there I went ashore and went into vaudeville and moving pictures and I played the piano in a theatre and in a cafe. I sang, too. I'm not one of your rough singers, either. I sing soft and sweet and quiet, you know? Some of these vaudeville singers are awful loud and shrill. I worked in a restaurant, too. Then I operated a telephone switchboard; I know all about that work. Then I got another berth with the United States Fruit Company and I got promoted to ordinary seaman.

"I help my mother out all I can. She has five children and my father went away and left her; it's pretty tough for her."

The editor asked Edward if he were ambitious for a career on the sea.

"Well," he said, thoughtfully, "I am, in one way. I'd like to get to be an under steward because then I might get a chance to play the piano in the music room sometimes. You never get any chance to speak to a passenger if you're an ordinary seaman, you know. Or I might be a bellboy on one of the big boats. That's a fine job. You just sit and watch a little box and a number drops down and you go and see what a passenger wants. In that way you might get a chance at the piano, too."

He could have gotten a job as an elevator boy while ashore, having picked up the mechanical knowledge somewhere, but there is a prejudice against imperfect sight.

"I could 'a done it, all right," he sighed regretfully, "but people don't realize how good my one eye is."

"Well," he said, as he rose to go, "It ain't so bad at sea and I may get to be quartermaster yet. That's a fine job and you eat with the officers and you surely get a chance at the piano."

Baggage Department \$2,000

Over in the new building there are two large rooms to take care of seamen's luggage—"dunnage" they call it—the transient room and the storage room. These rooms are well lighted, ventilated and of sufficient size to accommodate 2,000 pieces of baggage at a time. Last year in the small baggage departments of the North River, the Breakwater and No. 1 State Street we handled over 9,000 pieces.

Iron racks have been fitted into the Baggage Rooms to take care of iron trunks weighing 500 pounds, carpenters' chests and huge canvas bags, as well as small paper parcels and battered suitcases.

\$2,000 pays for the cost of building and equipping the Baggage Department.

Compass Taken

Immediately after the issue of the February LOOKOUT Mrs. Richard T. Auchmuty sent her check for \$750 for the Compass, a sketch of which appeared in this magazine.

Middle Dormitory Taken at \$1,000

The middle dormitory in the new Institute has been taken by Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Whitehouse.

The other two were taken by Mrs. George Peabody Wetmore and Mrs. B. H. Buckingham.

The "Slop-Chest" \$1,500

On vessels the term "slop-chest" applies to the store from which the sailor can get small supplies, tobacco, matches, and occasionally, on the better equipped ships, flannel shirts and oil-skins. This has given rise in the past to a great deal of gentle grafting by the Captains who had charge of the "slop-chest" and who reaped all the profits. And this fact led the Institute to open a little store, with goods at fair prices, over in the "Breakwater." It has been so well patronized that it will be run on a much larger scale in the new building.

Here the sailor will be able to get his "Fit out" for sea, his heavy boots, his cutlery, soap, sou'westers, in short, everything he will use, and at practically cost price.

Here also the incoming sailor just arrived in port will be able to get his "shore clothes." If he wants to discard the dingy garments, which did well enough on shipboard but seem impossible on land, and assume the garb of effete civilization he can buy everything from the little store of the Institute and know he is getting fair play.

This "slop-chest" runs in direct opposition to the band of ships' tailors who have made a practice of selling shoddy clothing to sailors for exorbitant prices.

The soul of some thrifty New England country storekeeper would be delighted by the atmosphere of the "slop-chest," a one room department store!

Altar in Chapel

An anonymous friend has subscribed \$500 to pay for the Chapel Altar. This gift is "In Memoriam, Stuart F. Randolph."

Andrew's Imagination

In one of W. W. Jacob's sea yarns, Sam says to Henry:

"Wot's the matter with you, Enery? Why are you so glum?"

"Oh, I'm just doing a little 'ead work," replies Henry.

"Head work!" retorts Sam skeptically, "wot with?"

There is evidence enough of head work in some of the seamen who use the Institute. Not long ago Andrew Foley asked us to send for his bag, which he had left out at South Amboy. He gave us the address of a man whom he assured us would send the bag.

We received the following answer:

"I beg to state that I know nothing of the bag excepting what he has told me about it. How I came to know Andrew Foley was this: I was sitting at the school house one Sunday afternoon and he stopped and spoke to me for a couple of hours and told me that his bag was in Providence and that is all I know about it."

When we endeavored to make this report to Andrew we found he had quietly disappeared and as he has not been seen since it is evident that he invented the story of the bag. Or perhaps Andrew is simply another victim of exaggerated imagination.

Kitchen (or "Galley") \$2,500

Equipped with the most modern labor saving devices, the most thoroughly sanitary methods for preparing food, the kitchen presents an unusual opportunity for a gift to the new building. Shining copper, glistening agate, gleaming brass—not extravagant but cleanly and practical.

Someone will surely wish to give the Kitchen at \$2,500.

Magneta Clocks \$1,250.00

A Master Clock, controlling thirty dials, has been installed in the new building under the Magneta System, which is entirely automatic, the Master Clock being self-winding.

The largest dial will be in the Lunch Room on the first floor of the new Institute and there will be a dial in every large room in the building from the engine room to the roof, as well as at the elevator shaft on each floor.

The idea of giving a system of clocks to the Institute has the value of extreme originality.

\$1,250 pays for the installation of these 31 clocks.

Afterward

Last month we published a story about a boy who went back home to Staten Island after trying to run away to sea and never getting beyond the banana ships. Just the other day a letter came from his thirteen year old brother:

"Mother asked me to tell you that Howard is sick with a severe cold, having to see the doctor yesterday and again to-day. He will not be able to work for some time to come.

"Howard is a good boy and never goes out nights."

This last sentence coming from a lad of, thirteen is peculiarly significant. It has a touch of brotherly pride and a sort of pathetic eagerness that Howard shall not be judged harshly.

Billiard Table Gift

Mrs. Nathaniel Church Scoville has sent a very good billiard table for the new Institute. She accompanied her gift with a check to pay for the cost of renovating the table.

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NOTE—Address all communications to
ARCHIBALD R. MANSFIELD, Superintendent
or IRENE K. LANE, Editor

Only 60 Left!! \$100 Bedrooms

One Hundred Dollars will build and furnish a seaman's bedroom in the new Institute, South Street and Coenties Slip.

There are 390 of these bedrooms.

330 have been taken.

60 still remain to be reserved.

One Hundred Dollars will give one hundred men the use of the room during the year.

One Hundred Dollars will give somebody's son, somebody's husband, somebody's father a welcome, a clean bed in decent surroundings, good companionship, entertainment and care; then a fair chance for another job through the Free Shipping Bureau.

One Hundred Dollars will help 100 men keep away from the temptations and degradations of Sailortown.

A bronze plate bearing the name of the donor or the form

"In Memory of....."

Given by"

will be placed over the door of each bedroom unless it is desired to make the gift of the room an anonymous one.

Additional Bedrooms

	Rooms.
John S. Rogers, "In Memory of Henry Pendleton Rogers".....	1
J. C. O'Connor, "In Memory of Gilbert M. Speir".....	1
The George N. Hale's Branch of King's Daughters, "In Memory of Frances Lincoln Jenkins".....	1
The Misses Cotheal, "The Cotheal Room".....	1

M. W. Dominick, "In Memory of James W. Dominick".....	1
C. W., A. and E. B. Bowring, "In Memory of E. H. Bonner".....	1
Miss M. Theodora Duer, "In Memory of John Duer".....	1
Mrs. J. R. Drexel, "In Memory of Lillian Mae Drexel".....	1
Bayard C. Hoppin, "In Memory of W. W. Hoppin".....	1
Frederick H. Baldwin, "In Memory of Charles Peabody Baldwin".....	1
Mrs. Francis G. Landon, "In Memory of William Toel".....	1
Anonymous, "In Memory of Captain Charles Bertody and Frank Bertody".....	1
Charles M. Pratt.....	1
Mrs. Daniel S. Lamont, "In Memory of Admiral Robley D. Evans".....	1
Frank B. Bemis.....	1
Mrs. William H. H. Beebe, "In Memory of William H. H. Beebe".....	1
Children of Henry Coggill, "In His Name".....	1
Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, "In Memory of George Crocker".....	1
Mrs. James May Duane, "In Memory of James May Duane".....	1
Mrs. E. H. Weatherbee, "In Memory of Edwin Henry Weatherbee".....	1
Mrs. J. P. Morgan, Jr., and Daughters.....	1
Sam S. Glauber, "In Honor of the Order of the Eastern Star".....	1
George P. Putnam, "In Memory of Agnes Hall Putnam".....	1
George C. Kobbé, "In Memory of Captain José Gabriel Sistare".....	1

Increased Subscriptions

The following persons have added \$5,000 to their original subscriptions, making their gifts as follows:

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane.....	\$15,000
Mr. E. S. Harkness.....	15,000
Mrs. E. Henry Harriman.....	10,000
Mr. William Douglas Sloane.....	10,000

Another \$1,000 has been added by Mr. Henry Lewis Morris to his previous gift of \$1,000.

New Founders

Mrs. Edward N. Breitung and Mr. Augustus D. Juilliard have recently contributed \$5,000 each, thereby becoming Founders of the New Institute.

Founders and Benefactors

Contributing the sum of \$5,000 or more entitles one to be known as a "Founder." The names of the "Founders" will be inscribed upon a large bronze tablet to be placed just inside the main entrance to the new Institute, corner South Street and Coenties Slip.

List of Founders

J. Pierpont Morgan.....	\$100,000.00
John D. Rockefeller.....	50,000.00
Henry C. Frick.....	25,000.00
Henry Dexter (Legacy).....	25,000.00
Frederick W. Vanderbilt.....	20,000.00
Mrs. William Douglas Sloane...	15,000.00
Edward S. Harkness.....	15,000.00
Lispenard Stewart.....	11,000.00
Andrew Carnegie.....	10,000.00
James Stillman.....	10,000.00
William K. Vanderbilt.....	10,000.00
Alfred G. Vanderbilt.....	10,000.00
Edmund L. Baylies.....	10,000.00
Mrs. Nathalie E. Baylies.....	10,000.00
Arthur Curtiss James.....	10,000.00
Charles W. Harkness.....	10,000.00
Mrs. E. Henry Harriman.....	10,000.00
William Douglas Sloane.....	10,000.00
Miss Cornelia Prime.....	5,210.00
Harris C. Fahnestock.....	5,100.00
Mrs. William V. R. Smith.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Richard T. Auchmuty.....	5,000.00
George F. Baker.....	5,000.00
Frederick G. Bourne.....	5,000.00
Robert S. Brewster.....	5,000.00
Cleveland H. Dodge.....	5,000.00
Mrs. William E. Dodge.....	5,000.00
D. Willis James.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Morris K. Jesup.....	5,000.00
Thomas Potts.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Whitelaw Reid.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Frederick F. Thompson...	5,000.00
Jacob H. Schiff.....	5,000.00
Mortimer L. Schiff.....	5,000.00
Mrs. H. McK. Twombly.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Joseph M. White.....	5,000.00
Augustus D. Juilliard.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Edward N. Breitung.....	5,000.00

To become a "Benefactor" it is necessary to contribute the sum of \$1,000 or more (but less than \$5,000) to the new building.

The names of the "Benefactors," added to the following list, will be inscribed upon another bronze tablet similar to that provided for the "Founders."

List of Benefactors

William G. Low.....	\$3,000.00
James May Duane.....	2,500.00
George J. Gould.....	2,500.00
M. Guggenheim's Sons.....	2,500.00
Archer M. Huntington.....	2,500.00
Ogden Mills.....	2,500.00
Mrs. Samuel Lawrence.....	2,300.00
Percy R. Pyne.....	2,000.00
James N. Jarvie.....	2,000.00
James A. Scrymser.....	2,000.00
Henry A. C. Taylor.....	2,000.00
Mrs. Anna Woerishoffer.....	2,000.00
Funch, Edye & Co.....	2,000.00
Henry Lewis Morris.....	2,000.00
Barber & Co., Inc.....	2,000.00
James W. Cromwell.....	1,500.00
Francis Lynde Stetson.....	1,500.00
Mrs. William Alanson Abbe.....	1,000.00
Allison V. Armour.....	1,000.00
Walter C. Baylies.....	1,000.00
John E. Berwind.....	1,000.00
Matthew C. D. Borden.....	1,000.00
Frederick F. Brewster.....	1,000.00
C. Ledyard Blair.....	1,000.00
Crossman & Sielcken.....	1,000.00
R. Fulton Cutting.....	1,000.00
W. Bayard Cutting.....	1,000.00
James Douglas.....	1,000.00
W. L. Harkness.....	1,000.00
Edward H. Harriman.....	1,000.00
George A. Hearn.....	1,000.00
Augustus Heckscher.....	1,000.00
Francis L. Hine.....	1,000.00
Johnson & Higgins.....	1,000.00
Otto H. Kahn.....	1,000.00
George Gordon King.....	1,000.00
Charles Lanier.....	1,000.00
Sir Thomas Lipton.....	1,000.00
John A. McKim.....	1,000.00
Levi P. Morton.....	1,000.00
Wilhelmus Mynderse.....	1,000.00
Mrs. Edwin Parsons.....	1,000.00
William A. Read.....	1,000.00
Henry Seligman.....	1,000.00
Isaac Seligman.....	1,000.00
Mortimer M. Singer.....	1,000.00
Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes.....	1,000.00
Mrs. Russell Sage.....	1,000.00
Ormond G. Smith.....	1,000.00
Samuel Thorne.....	1,000.00
Edward H. Van Ingen.....	1,000.00
Felix M. Warburg.....	1,000.00
Mrs. George Peabody Wetmore...	1,000.00
Hon. George Peabody Wetmore...	1,000.00

Officers' Rooms at \$250.00

Twenty-five large outside bedrooms are still to be taken as gifts or memorials to the new Institute.

These are the rooms intended for the use of the officers, stewards, expert engineers, boatswains and better class of seamen.

A chiffonier or chest of drawers and furniture of a less severe type of simplicity than that in the seamen's rooms will make these large rooms more attractive to the men for whom they are designed.

The following persons have already taken officers' bedrooms:

Anonymous
 Anonymous
 Francis R. Appleton
 Miss Anna Bogert
 Mrs. William Reynolds Brown
 Willard Parker Butler
 Mrs. William Allen Butler
 William Nelson Cromwell
 George H. Coutts
 Mrs. James Hamilton Gill
 F. Gray Griswold
 Miss M. Helen Hicks
 William G. Low
 Howard Townsend

A brass plate bearing the name of the donor, or an inscription containing the name of the person memorialized, will be placed over the door, if desired. The form suggested is

"In Memory of....."

Given by"

but it is possible to add a few words, a condensed biography or a simple verse to make this form more gracious.

Harris C. Fahnestock Becomes a Founder.

Mr. Harris C. Fahnestock, who has already contributed \$1,100 and was a Benefactor, sent his check for \$4,000 a few days ago, thereby becoming a Founder.

The Ingenuity of Albert

This could have been called "Ingratitude" quite as well, or "The Unexpected Happens." Titles for true stories are always hard to select.

Albert Benton wanted to go home to England. He went into the office of the British Consul, which adjoins the Institute's State Street station, and announced that he was absolutely destitute after having been out of work a long time. He seemed quite able and willing to work but had evidently suffered a series of misfortunes which sometimes come to seamen. Convinced of Albert's intense desire to go home, the Institute got him a berth on an English-bound vessel.

A bag of clothing was supplied him and he was taken out to his ship on the Institute's little yacht "Sentinel." Britishers are proverbially taciturn, but Albert expressed himself volubly as being profoundly grateful for all that had been done for him when he needed help so desperately. The "Sentinel" steamed away and Albert coolly crossed over to the other side of the vessel, caught a ride ashore in one of the ship's boats and has not been heard from since. He left a slightly surprised Captain, who very promptly sent the news of Albert's departure to a still more amazed Institute worker. Another man was sent at once to complete the crew as the vessel was sailing in a few hours.

Some one suggested that Albert may be a type of seaman, fortunately not very common, who is so completely a victim of the alcohol habit that he is forced to such laborious expedients as this to obtain money, through pawning the bag of clothing. If this is the solution of his action it indicates an ingeni-

ous mental process on the part of Albert. It seems a pity that so much brainwork should not be usefully applied.

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**Three Tables and Shuffle-board
\$1,020**

For the recreation rooms there are the following tables which have not been contributed:

Officers' Reading and Game Room
 1 6x12 English billiard table..... \$350
 1 4½x9 Combination pool and
 billiard table with ivory balls 250

Apprentice Room

1 6x12 English billiard table..... 350
 1 24-inch Shuffle board with equip-
 ment 70

These may be divided into two gifts of \$600 for the Officers' Reading and Game Room and \$420 for the Apprentice Room.

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Five Pianos \$1,750

We shall need five pianos in the new building:

1 upright piano for the Hotel
 Reading Room\$350
 1 upright piano for the Appren-
 Reading and Game Room..... 250
 1 upright piano for the Officers'
 Reading and Game Room..... 350
 1 small upright for the Staff Sit-
 ting Room 300
 1 concert piano (Steinway baby
 grand, preferably) for the
 Auditorium 500

\$1,750

Any one of these may be given for whichever room seems most interesting to the person wishing to make the gift.

**Three Marble Fountains
\$200 Each**

In addition to the fountains in the lavatories there will be three marble fountains in the new building, one on each of the floors given up to public rooms.

These fountains are made of Tennessee marble and are simply but beautifully designed. Each fountain is equipped with a pedal which, when pressed by the foot, turns on the water, thus doing away with the unsanitary proximity of soiled hands.

The three fountains may be given as memorials for \$600, or separate fountains may be taken at \$200 each.

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Chapel Gift

There remain the Lectern, the Reading Desk, the Credence Table, the Pulpit and three windows which may be given as memorials in the Chapel.

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\$1.00 Will Help

In response to the suggestion in the February LOOKOUT that everyone put a dollar in an envelope and post it to the Chairman or Secretary, No. 1 State Street, in addition to several checks, six dollars were received anonymously. We take this opportunity of thanking the senders.

It is quite easy to be impressed with the logic of a suggestion but it is more difficult to follow the impression by prompt action.

So we repeat: if every person who reads this March LOOKOUT will put \$1.00 in an envelope and post it to Edmund L. Baylies, Chairman, or I. K. Lane, Secretary, No. 1 State Street, it will add \$3,000 to the Building Fund.

Exchanges

AMERICAN FLAGS

That the fleet of the United Fruit Company may fly the American flag is indicated by an order to the more than 400 officers of the ships to take out naturalization papers. It is said the ships will be placed on the American registry, thus bringing them within the favoring clauses of the Panama Canal Administration act. It is said that nineteen more ships will be built for the Tropical Fruit Company, a subsidiary, before 1921.—Nautical Gazette.

TO CELEBRATE A VICTORY

The old sloop-of-war Niagara, which was sunk in the war of 1812 in Misery Bay, near Erie, Pa., has been raised. Two-thirds of her original hull remains and she is in a fair state of preservation. After being refitted and restored at Erie, Pa., she will take part in the centenary celebration of Commodore Perry's victory on Lake Erie in September, this year.—Marine Journal.

INVISIBILITY OF ICEBERGS

As the season of icebergs is again approaching on the transatlantic route, says the Mariner's Advocate, mariners must bear in mind the difficulty of distinguishing such at night. An iceberg can only show at night when the light of the sky is brightest behind it, as at sunset or sunrise or moonrise, or very direct light of a nearly full moon, or when in cloudy nights the clouds are thinnest behind it, or else when the light for some kindred reason is for the moment stronger on the bergs than on the background.

Whenever, on the other hand, the illumination is uniform, as on a clear, moonlight night, the berg will be invisible. The universal idea that white shows at night even against a clear

sky is erroneous. Any observing person who has lived in the country knows that snowy roofs on such a night are indistinguishable from the sky and would be so if they stood alone out at sea.

Laundry \$1,500

Through this laundry, in one day, will pass from 2,500 to 3,000 sheets, pillow cases, towels, napkins—in short, all the linen of the Institute. A splendid steam drying process has been installed and fresh air will be admitted so that all the bedding will be as immaculate as the most careful housekeeper could wish.

Will someone take the Laundry at \$1,500?

The Missing Father

"I am writing to you," began a letter from a woman in England, "to see if you would be kind enough to find out for me if my husband has signed on any boat at New York, or could you advise me what to do. I write this because my little son is ill and keeps asking for his Daddy to come home. It nearly breaks my heart to hear the poor little fellow. I have been married nearly eight years and my little boy is six and during the whole of that time my husband has not kept me more than two years."

Investigation disclosed that the man deserted his ship thirteen months ago in New York, that he had joined the Navy and been discharged for incompetency and that he had not written his wife in three years. He occasionally received mail at the Institute and every effort is being made to get in touch with him. These seem like hopeless cases and yet it has frequently

happened that a letter like the above has made a careless, irresponsible seaman suddenly realize what he owes those whom he has promised to care for. Husbands and fathers of this type are not necessarily vicious, just weak and thoughtless: life at sea does not tend to encourage a sense of duty toward the far distant family.

Which is another reason why the seaman needs the Institute.

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Seamen's Wages and Savings

While a good many people know that over half a million seamen come to New York each year, comparatively few realize how many of these men are paid off by various Consuls who have their offices at this port.

The main office, where seamen are paid off in large numbers, is the British Consulate's Shipping Office at No. 2 State Street, adjoining the Institute. In this office, also, is the Savings Department of the Institute, placed in such close proximity as to be a constant reminder to the careless sailor that it is a good thing to put a little money by for that inevitable run of hard luck.

Last year 14,650 seamen were paid off by the British Consul's Office, their wages amounting to \$566,964.37, over half a million dollars!

About one-third of this was paid to 9,000 men in amounts of less than \$33 each, so that, naturally, none of these men could deposit anything in the Savings Department.

But two-thirds, or \$377,976.20 was paid to 4,650 seamen in amounts of over \$33 to each man.

And of this sum—and this statement seems very remarkable indeed—\$127,-

386.96 was deposited with the Seamen's Institute, the deposits being made by 2,300 seamen.

That means that 80 out of every 100 men who receive payment which is worth while avail themselves of the advantages of the Institute's Savings Department.

The most significant fact among all these extremely interesting figures comes, now, at the close.

\$60,000 of this \$127,386.96 was sent home by the seamen, transmitted for them by the Institute, to parents, wives, children and other relatives dependent upon them.

DO NOT TAKE ALL OF YOUR MONEY OUT OF THIS ROOM. SAVE SOME reads the most conspicuously placed sign. That its injunction is heeded is proved by the foregoing figures.

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Shipping Department

Month Ending February 28, 1913.

1 State Street.

Name of Vessel.	Men Shipped.	Destination.
Orange Prince.....	22	Brazil
Christopher	41	Brazil
Craster Hall.....	26	Chile
Tennyson	13	River Plate
Corfe Castle.....	16	South Africa
Russian Prince.....	3	Tampico
Barge Caddo	2	Coast
Asiatic Prince.....	20	Brazil
Javary	13	Peru
Charlton Hall.....	21	Chile and Peru
Burmese Prince.....	22	River Plate
Barge Caddo	1	Coast
Dochra	17	River Plate
Vasari	23	River Plate
Dryden	2	Manchester
Texas	2	Port Arthur
Dunstan	7	Brazil
John Rodgers.....	1	Coastwise
Men provided with work	69	In Port
From 341 West St.	34	Various Positions
Total	355	

DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH OF FEB. 1913.

B	Bassett, Mrs. John S.....	2 trunks old clothing.
	Battin Mrs. A.....	2 scarfs.
	Beebe, Mrs. W. H.....	Calendars.
	Borie, Mrs. A. E.....	Bundle magazines.
	Brett, Miss Ella E.....	Magazines.
	Brown, Mr. John.....	Calendars.
	Bunce, Mr. Wm.....	Magazines.
	Bunce, Mrs. Wm.....	24 needle cases.
C	Carew, Mrs. Edw. L.....	6 filled comfort bags.
	Clendenin, Mrs. Frank.....	Magazines.
	Cox, Mrs.....	Magazines.
Church Periodical Clubs.		
	Ascension Memorial Church, New York.....	Bag magazines, etc.
	Christ Church, Ridgewood, N. J.....	2 boxes magazines.
	Church of the Ascension (The Gleanors) Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	6 filled comfort bags, 12 unfilled.
	Church of the Epiphany, New York.....	Magazines and postal cards.
	Grace Church, Orange, N. J.....	Box of magazines.
	St. Agnes Church, New York.....	4 bundles magazines.
	St. Andrew's Memorial Church, Yonkers.....	2 barrels magazines.
	St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.....	Bag and package magazines.
	St. John's Church, Yonkers on Hudson.....	Barrel magazines.
	Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn.....	Barrel magazines.
	St. Paul's Church, East Orange, N. J.....	Box magazines.
D	Davis, Mrs. J. L.....	6 filled comfort bags, scarfs, wrist- lets and magazines.
	Dreyfus, Mrs. Bernard.....	Package magazines.
G	de Groot, Miss E. P.....	Bound books.
	G. V., through Miss A. de Peyster.....	Mufflers.
H	Hall, Miss S.....	Scarf.
	Haskins, Miss E.....	1 barrel books and magazines.
	Hospital Book and Newspaper Society, N. Y..	2 bundles magazines.
	Hughes, Mrs. J. A.....	1 scarf, 1 helmet.
I	Irvin, Miss F.....	Magazines.
K	King, Mrs. J. Howard.....	7 scarfs.
	Kerr, Mrs. Louis Sayre.....	1 Victrola, oak cabinet, records, needles.
L	Leland, Miss.....	Scarf and helmet.
M	Marsh, Mrs. Elias J.....	Encyclopaedia Brittanica.
	Matthews, Dr. S. C.....	Magazines.
	Moehring, Mrs. Wm. G.....	Magazines.
	Morrison, Mrs. J. H.....	Cards.
P	Paulson, Mrs. F. P.....	Underclothing.
	Pegram, Mrs. Mary M.....	Calendars.
	Prigge, Miss M.....	48 needle cases.
R	Randolph, Miss Edith.....	Calendars.
S	St. Georges Chapel, Flushing, L. I.....	3 boxes books.
	St. George's Church (Girls' Friendly Soc.) N.Y.	Bags books.
	Sunshine Society, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Magazines.
T	Taylor, Miss Emma F.....	Bundle old clothes.
	Tappan, Mrs. Charles.....	7 pairs of wristlets.
V	Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Alex.....	6 pairs of wristlets.
W	Ward, Mrs. George Gray.....	1 scarf.
	Wilbur & Hastings.....	Calendars.
	Women's Aux. Ch. of the Messiah, Rhinebeck, N. Y.....	Bundle old clothes.
	Women's Aux. Trinity Ch., Tivoli, N. Y.....	Box of clothes, magazines.
	Women's Aux. Calvary Parish, Brooklyn.....	18 sheets, 150 towels, 46 pillow cases.
		70 calendars.

Anonymous Donations from

Feb. 1st	Long Island Ex. from Flushing	Reading matter.
Feb. 10th	Express	Magazines.
Feb. 28th	Parcel Post	Large bundle magazine.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR JAN.

Reading Rooms.

The following synopsis of the work done in the various departments during the month of December gives a fair idea of the working of the Institute.

Total attendance	22,601
Letters written and received.....	3,438
Packages reading given.....	749

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Relief Department.

Savings Department.

Assisted.....	268
Sent to Legal Aid Society.....	47
Hospital visits.....	17
Visits to ships in port.....	98

Jan. 1st, cash on hand.....	\$15,315.35
Deposits	9,804.28
	\$25,119.63
Payments (\$2,228.20 transmitted) ...	8,391.67
Feb. 1st, cash balance.....	\$16,727.96

Religious and Social Departments.

Number of services.....	9
Attendance total.....	326
Communion services..	2

Shipping Department.

No. of vessels shipped by Seamen's Church Institute.....	13
No. of men provided with employment in port.....	74
No. of men shipped.....	183
Total (number of men).....	257

Institute Boat "Sentinel."

Trips made.....	25
Visits to vessels.....	91
Men transported.....	63
Pieces baggage transported.....	135

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