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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 3, 1913

25 SOUTH STREET, NEW YORK

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

The sixty-ninth year of the Institute's existence marks its greatest achievement—the completion and opening of its new building at a cost of about \$1,100,000.

For this the Society has worked for many years. On April 16, 1912, the cornerstone was laid; in May, 1913, the executive offices were moved; in June the old building at No. 1 State Street was abandoned and the various departments transferred, and the new building was opened for the reception and entertainment of lodgers on September 15. To this accomplishment of the Building Committee has been added the further satisfaction that during the short time the building has been open its practicability and suitableness have been fully demonstrated and the fact that all its benefits will be availed of to its full capacity assured. But the work of the Building Committee is not finally completed. In order that the Society may be free of debt there still remains to be raised the sum of \$180,000. For the wiping out of this comparatively small balance the Institute must rely upon the further generosity of its friends.

This society is dedicated to the welfare of seamen of every class, race and creed. To this end it maintains the following departments:

Lodging and Entertainment

The ill repute of the ordinary sailors' boarding house is proverbial. Forced to find a home ashore, often for weeks at a time, the sailor, with his character-

istic weakness, has fallen an easy prey to unscrupulous boarding-house keepers and crimps, who furnish miserable accommodations at exorbitant charges, secure a lien on his future wages, pander to his vices and accomplish his general undoing.

Against these parasites the Society has for many years carried on an active and, sometimes, a



discouraging war. In this contest the new building will be most effective. Here over four hundred rooms are available for seamen at a charge of twenty-five cents a night, except for a few large rooms, and beds in dormitories are furnished at a rate of fifteen cents. Rooms for officers are furnished at from sixty to seventy cents per night. Large and comfortable reading and recreation rooms are open for the use of all seamen, whether lodging in the building or not. The assembly room, with a well-appointed stage and a gallery, has a seating capacity of about seven hundred. The Society will continue to maintain its reading and recreation rooms at No. 341 West Street, known as the North River Station.

Owing to changes in the water front the "Breakwater," our sailors' boarding house in Brooklyn, has become inconvenient in location and has been abandoned, and the work removed to the new building. During the past year over 192,636 visits have been made to our reading and recreation rooms. A total of 38,800 individual lodgings have been furnished. In the new building a lunch counter and restaurant will be maintained, but this cannot be done until the building is paid for.

Savings Department

In the basement of the Institute the British Government has established its Consular shipping office. Here seamen employed on British vessels are engaged and paid off. Our savings department, conveniently located in the adjoining room, is open to receive at once for safe keeping or for transmission, the seamen's wages. During the past year \$137,951.99 was entrusted to our care. Of this amount so received by us \$49,844.11 was forwarded to the wives and families of seamen in thirty-nine countries and the balance held for safe-keeping. This makes a total of over \$1,000,000 handled by our Institute in the interests of the sailors in the past nine years.

Harbor Boat

The "Sentinel," which was built in 1875, for ten years has been our harbor boat. Flying the Institute's flag and busy in meeting incoming ships and bringing men ashore and transporting those whom we have shipped to their outward bound vessels, she has been a familiar harbor sight.



THE SENTINEL

During the past year she has made 349 trips, and during her term of service she has made a grand total of about 3000 trips. She is now worn out. The Committee has for some years been considering ways and means for replacing the "Sentinel," but the call for funds for the completion of the new building has made further appeals to the generosity of our friends difficult. The situation has been met by the generous and unexpected gift from Mr. Louis Gordon Hamersley of a new boat, to be designed and built expressly to meet the requirements of this service. This gift in memory of Mr. Hamersley's father, is to be named the "J. Hooker Hamersley," and will be ready for service in the early spring.

Shipping Bureau

The Institute has also carried on a fight against the exacters of illegal bonuses for shipping seamen. To this end it maintains a Shipping Bureau free to all seamen, which has the hearty support of many of the most important steamship lines. During the year, 2,566 men have been shipped by us and we have found shore employment for 616, a total of 3,182.

Religious Services

The well-appointed and attractive Chapel, situated on the ground floor of the new building, with a separate entrance from the street, was opened with dedicatory services on October 12, 1913. Services are also held in the Church of the Holy Comforter, which is owned and maintained by the Society on West Houston Street, next to the rooms on West Street. This is, of course,



SHIPPING DEPARTMENT

free to all, and is intended to serve the community. The total attendance at our services for the past year was 5579.

Various kinds of religious work is done, including the visiting of sick seamen, communicating with friends and relatives of seamen in trouble of one kind or another, and assisting such by advice and encouragement.

Monthly Paper

The Institute has continued to publish its monthly paper, called "The Lookout." Through this means publicity is given to work for seamen and the needs of the Institute are voiced.

Legislation and Legal Aid

In the past, largely through our efforts, legislation has been enacted looking to the better protection of seamen by safety appliances, particularly on barges. The Committee on Legislation continues watchful as to the enforcement of these laws. The Society has also been active in securing legislation against shanghaiing and other forms of peonage, and it has supported certain sections of the Seamen's Bill passed by the Senate, and now before the House, abolishing involuntary servitude for seamen as a penalty for desertion, and providing for better treatment of seamen and for the discontinuance of allottment notes to seamen, except in favor of dependent relatives.

The Society has taken the initiative in joint international support of patrol ships in recognized zones to give "first aid" to ships in distress on the high seas.

Continuing our customary contribution to the Legal Aid Society, we have referred to them during the past year 290 cases upon which appropriate action has been taken.

In addition to the foregoing many letters are yearly written for seamen and searches for those who have disappeared are instituted at the request of relatives. A Club Room for apprentice boys visiting this port is maintained, and social meetings are held for their benefit. We also conduct a baggage checking department. Here the sailor may leave his bag, trunk or valise until called for. During the past year we have checked for safe keeping 11,422 pieces of dunnage, an increase over the preceding year of 2,274 pieces

Since making our last report the Society has been made a beneficiary for a considerable amount under the will of the late Lewis S. Thompson, but the precise figure is as yet unknown.

The Society records with sorrow the death of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, at one time a member of its Board, and ever its loyal friend and supporter. On the day before Mr. Morgan sailed for Europe on his last trip, he doubled his contribution to our building fund, and this was probably his last large benefaction.

Seamen of this Port have lost another good friend in the death of Mr. George Arnold Hearn, President of the Seamen's Christian Association of the City of New York, an organization closely affiliated with the Institute. Although not a member of our Board, Mr. Hearn was a generous and sympathetic supporter of our work, and his loss will be deeply felt.

Attention is called to the more detailed reports appearing on the following pages.



DURING SHIPPING HOURS, SOUTH STREET ENTRANCES

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOUR

Report of Committee on Legislation

The Committee on Legislation recommends continued support of Senate Bill (S136) now before the House of Representatives, in so far as it contains provisions in favor of the abolition of involuntary servitude for deserting seamen and of allottment notes, except to defendant relatives, and for the better treatment of seamen in the matter of personal accommodations on shipboard and their hours of labor in absence of storm and stress.

The following recommendation has been adopted by the Society, and the authority therein requested given:

"The time has come in the judgment of your committee for action by the United States and other maritime powers in the establishment of a series of zones within which shall be taken constant electrical observations, and for an international patrol by relief ships fitted out with Marconi wireless and other apparatus to give warning of ice and derelicts; to receive from the ships in distress cries for help and with life-saving supplies to render first aid to the injured from fire, icebergs and collisions, etc., and to stand by and convoy when necessary crippled vessels to places of safety; salvage therefrom, when obtainable to be applied to the joint fund to be established to cover such international cost; such measures to be agreed upon by international conventions or treaty. To this end your Committee asks for authority to confer with the Department of Commerce and Labor, the Chamber of Commerce and such other committees as may be formed by other societies of Maritime Insurance, Lloyds, etc., to promote such international patrol upon the high (Signed) J. Augustus Johnson, Chairman. seas."

GENERAL SUMMARY OF WORK

ALL STATIONS AND DEPARTMENTS, FROM DECEMBER 1, 1912, TO DECEMBER 1, 1913

Submitted by the Rev. Archibald R. Mansfield, Superintendent

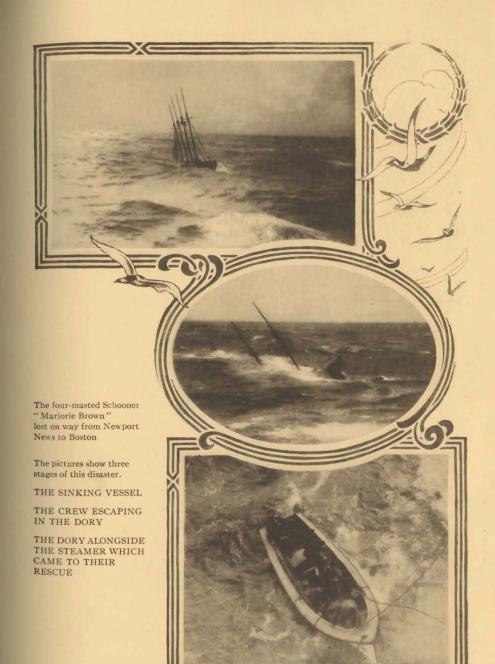
RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT

RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT	
Number of services	
Aggregate attendance	-
Dapusms	,
Marriages	5
Funerals Communion Services (a.1)	6
Communion Services (public and private)	
Confirmations	27
Bibles and Prayer Books given	2
	172
SHIPPING DEPARTMENT	
Number of vessels to which crews or parts of crews have been furnished	164
Men signed and shipped	9 500
Men provided with employment, temporary, ship and other	010
Total number provided with employment	3,182
READING ROOM, RELIEF, ETC., DEPARTMENTS	
Aggregate attendance (officers, apprentices and seamen)	192,636
Letters written by and received for these men	91 009
rieces of dunnage checked for safekeeping	11 499
rackages of reading matter distributed from all stations and the "Sentinel"	8,650
Sent to Legal Aid Society	312
Sent to nospitals and dispensaries	80
Aided through Morrill, Morgan and Bourne Fund, and otherwise	1,024
Total visits by entire staff to vessels, hospitals, boarding houses etc.	1,159
Entertainments	9
Attendance	719
BOAT AND HARBOR SERVICE, STEAM YACHT "SENTINEL	99
Number of trips	349
Number of men transported	1.819
Pieces of dunnage carried	3,029
Vessels visited	1,213
	1,210

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

FOR SAFEKEEPING AND TRANSMISSION OF SEAMEN'S WAGES

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Number of deposits .															2,856
Amount of deposits .														\$137.95	1.99
Number of transmissions															901
Amount of transmissions				1.0										\$49,89	68
Number of home countries to a	s of	de	posit	ors					14.7			*	,		39
Number of countries to w	nici	m	oney	nas	bee	n se	ent				*				0



TREASURER'S STATEMENT FROM

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions and Donations	. \$26,761.27	
Timely Church Allowance		
Church Orierings		
Troitil Kiver Station		
and Dividend	177 00	
Interest	. 235.99	
	\$42,704.25	
Income from Invested Funds		
Less expenses of No. 52 Market Street 1,257.13		
	3,981.57	
Income for Current Expenses		\$46,685.82
Cemetery Plot and Burial Fund		00.00
Social Work Fund, Balance December 4 1019 9946 11		20.00
Receipts in 1913		
		424.36
Roxy M. Smith Fund, Income:		X-
Balance December 4, 1010		
Receipts in 1019		
79.20		105 05
		107.95
From Mr. Louis C 1		
From Mr. Louis Gordon Hamersley, for new Boat		10,500.00
Drafts on Principal: To cover Deficit for 1912	60 004 0=	
To cover portion of Deficit for 1913 .	\$3,881.87 118.13	
	110.10	4,000.00
		1,000.00
Balance Deficit		\$61,738.13
Balance, Deficit		4,378.79
		\$66,116.92
		p00,110.02
Note:		
The Current Expenses for the year were	¢51 100 74	
And Receipts for Current Expenses	\$51,182.74	
	46,685.82	
Deficit	\$4,496.92	

DECEMBER 4, 1912, TO DECEMBER 1, 1913

PAYMENTS

TATMENTS	
North River Station:	
Salaries	
Repairs	
Insurance	
Expenses	
	\$4,294.59
Battery Station and Institute Building:	
Salaries	
Rent	
Expenses	
	19,787.24
Seamen's Aid:	
Salaries	
Expenses	
Auditing Accounts	
Legal Aid Society	
	3,793.65
Seamen's Home:	5,100.00
W. A. B. W. A.	2,312.75
Various Expenses (less receipts)	2,012.10
Institute Boat "Sentinel":	
Salaries	
Insurance	
Repairs	
Expenses	4 404 05
W 1M C 1	4,191.35
Ways and Means Committee:	
Salaries of Assistants	
Printing, postage, etc	
	9,038.06
General Expenses:	
Salaries of Superintendent and Asst. Superintendent, and	
heat and light of Superintendent's Residence \$6,307.88	
Printing Annual Reports, etc	
Treasurer's Office	
New Accounting System	
Equipment	
Sundry Expenses	
	7,765.10
Total Current Expenses	\$51,182.74
Deficit of 1912 paid this year	3,881.87
Social Work Fund, paid Superintendent	344.77
Special Funds in Tressurer's hands.	
Special Funds in Treasurer's hands:	
Roxy M. Smith Fund, Income	
Cemetery Plot and Burial Fund	
Social Work Fund	
Hamersley Fund for new Boat	20
	10,707.54
	000 410 65
	\$66,116.92

FRANK T. WARBURTON, Treasurer.

COMMITTEE ON TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

Railroad Securities, etc	\$43,513.62 106,000.00
Cash on deposit, New York Life Ins. & Trust Co	9,373.81
	\$158,887.43
PERMANENT FUND: Income to be applied to the general uses of the Society:	
In Memoriam, J. R. M	
In Memoriam, N. E. B	
George Alfred Brown Legacy	
George Alfred Brown Legacy 500.00 Cornelius Vanderbilt Legacy 10,000.00 Mary B. Tousey Legacy 5,000.00	
Mary B. Tousev Legacy 5,000.00	
Hollister Legacy 5.000.00	
Mary Nevins Mayo Legacy	
Mrs. Samuel Lawrence Legacy	
Phoebe Pearsall Legacy 5,000.00	
John J. Smith Legacy	
Fligs P Proll Logson	
Francis Collingwood Legacy	
Lary LeRoy King, "Launch Fund" 3.124.87	
Contoit Fund	
Contoit Fund	
	79,852.91
WILLIAM WALDORF ASTOR FUND: Income to be applied first to the support of Missionary at East River Station, afterwards to the maintenance of any missionaries employed by the Society	50,468.00
FUNDS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	
Davenport Fund: Income to be applied to the purchase of books for distribution among seamen	2,000.00
MORRILL FOUNDATION: In Memoriam of the late Captain Charles Mont-	
gomery Morrill. Income to be exclusively applied to the relief of	
destitute mariners and those dependent upon them who may have	
been left destitute by their death while following the sea	17,831.25
been lest debutate by their death while tollowing the bear !	
HOSIER MORGAN FUND: Income to be used in common with that of the	
Morrill Foundation Fund	1,735.27
EMILY H. BOURNE FUND: Income to be used in common with that of the Morrill Foundation Fund	5,000.00
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ROXY M. SMITH FUND: In memory of her husband, W. V. R. Smith. Income to be applied to giving annually an entertainment for seamen	
on the birthday of W. V. R. Smith, August 2nd	2,000.00
on the birthday of W. V. K. Shiltii, August 2110	
	\$158,887.43

INCOME

Received from mortgages			. 1,882.75	\$6,689.63
Distributed as follows:				
Permanent Fund, paid Treasurer			. \$2,964.98	
W. W. Astor Fund, paid Treasurer				
Davenport Fund, paid Treasurer			89.10	
				\$5,238.70
Smith Fund, paid Treasurer				79.20
Morrill Foundation, paid Treasurer	•			731.56
Hosier Morgan Fund, paid Treasurer		•		77.30
Emily H. Bourne Fund, paid Treasurer				247.50
W. W. Astor, transferred to Sinking Fund				58.50
On balance with N. Y. Life Insurance and Trust Co.				191.58
N. Y. Life Ins. & Trust Co., Commission				65.29
N. 1. Life ins. & Trust Co., Commission				00.20
				\$6,689.63

Dated, New York, December 3, 1913.

JOHN A. MCKIM, ROBERT L. HARRISON, JOHN SEELY WARD,

Trust Funds Committee.

Securities examined and found to agree with the above account.

ORME WILSON, JR., BENJ. R. C. LOW.

MORRILL, MORGAN AND BOURNE FUNDS

RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Balance on hand, Dec. 4, 1912 . \$1,294.56 Received Income from Invested Funds: Morrill Fund, Interest \$731.56 Morgan Fund, Interest	Paid Supt. Mansfield for purposes of the Funds \$1,249.40
est	Balance on hand, Dec. 3, 1913 . 1,120.16

FRANK T. WARBURTON, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

Colin MacKenzie, C.P.A., Cal.,

Auditor.



REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE

SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK

The Building Committee has completed its work in the erection of the new Institute at 25 South Street in every respect, except that of raising the necessary amount to pay for the land, building and furniture in full.

The cost of the ground upon which the Institute stands, of the building and of its furniture is \$1,100,000. Of this the Building Committee has secured all except \$180,000,* and it earnestly hopes that the friends of the Society will enable it to raise this balance during the coming year, and that the Committee may then be finally discharged, it having been in existence since 1906.

The Committee takes great pleasure in the fact that the building, which was opened on September 15, 1913, has already shown itself to be such a great success.

It has been deemed unwise to open the kitchen, dining room and lunch counter until the building is fully paid for, but it is confidently hoped that this date will not be long deferred as the restaurant constitutes a most important part of the Institute's work.

During the year the building was opened to the public on several occasions. On April 15, 1913, the anniversary of the loss of the "Titanic," the Lighthouse Tower was dedicated with appropriate religious services, and an address in the auditorium of the Institute. On May 28, the first public view of the building

was given, at which time the colors to be flown on the flagstaff on the building were given to the Institute by Lafayette Post G. A. R. with an appropriate ceremony. In view of the bad weather that prevailed on that afternoon the ceremony of presenting the flags to the Institute took place in the auditorium.

On October 12, the new Chapel of Our Saviour was opened and blessed, the Bishop of New York officiating, the sermon being preached by Bishop Nichols of California, and the Rev. William T. Manning, of Trinity, reading the Lesson.

On the afternoon of November 19, a reception was given to all those who had subscribed to the building fund, or who had given rooms or other portions of the building, and an opportunity was thus afforded to visit the Institute and see what had been accomplished. Between three hundred and four hundred were present.

The Committee again appeals to all friends of the Society to assist it in its last supreme effort to free the new building from debt, and enable it to open its restaurant. The experience of the past two months shows that the lodging portion of the building will be self-supporting, as in the case of the Mills hotels, if it can be fully paid for, and the Building Committee trusts that all friends of the Society will unite in helping to raise the needed balance, which seems small in comparison with the amount already secured. Donations from one dollar upwards, if sent to 54 Wall Street, will be gratefully acknowledged by the chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND L. BAYLIES,
Chairman Building Committee.

NEW YORK, December 3, 1913.



GAME ROOM

^{*}Since the above report was presented, the balance to be raised by the Building Committee has been reduced from \$180,000 to \$142,000.

FOUNDERS

All persons contributing the sum of \$5,000 or more to the Building Fund for the new building are known as "Founders" of the Institute.

AUCHMUTY, MRS. RICHARD T. BAKER, GEORGE F. BAYLIES, EDMUND L. BAYLIES, MRS. NATHALIE E. BAYLIES, MRS. WALTER C. BOURNE, FREDERICK G. BREWSTER, ROBERT S. Breitung, Mrs. Edward N. CARNEGIE, ANDREW DODGE, CLEVELAND H. DODGE, MRS. WILLIAM E. Du Bois, Miss Katharine Du Bois, William A. FAHNESTOCK, HARRIS C. FRICK, HENRY C. HARKNESS, CHARLES W. HARKNESS, EDWARD S. HARRIMAN, MRS. E. HENRY IAMES, D. WILLIS JARVIE, JAMES N. IESUP, MRS. MORRIS K. IUILLIARD, AUGUSTUS D. KUNHARDT, HENRY R.

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SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEAMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY

President's Report for 1913

This has been a most successful year for the work of the Seamen's Benefit Society.

It has provided tea on Sunday evenings for the apprentice boys of the British Merchant Marine, who come to the evening service.

It has arranged for music and entertainments on Thursday evenings and for special festivals at Christmas, New Year's, Hallowe'en and Thanksgiving.

Picnic refreshments for Saturday afternoons during the summer and early autumn were provided; the Society also bought a football for the apprentice boys' use.

It has provided fruit, flowers, ice cream for ill seamen in hospitals, and for the apprentice boys.

It has provided comfort bags, mufflers, caps and other knitted articles.

At its Lenten sewing classes sheets, towels and tablecloths were made for use in the new Institute.

All the silver, glass and china for the Apprentice Room was given by the Society.

It served tea at the opening of the new building on May 28 and at the Subscribers' Reception on November 19.

The fund for the Titanic Memorial Lighthouse Tower, collected by the Seamen's Benefit (assisted by the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society) was completed and the Lighthouse Tower dedicated on Tuesday, April 15.

It has provided the flowers for the Chapel on every Sunday during the summer, in co-operation with the Fruit and Flower Guild.

It has collected books and magazines for the Institute.

The Society would like to add to its Associate Membership all women who are in sympathy with its aims.

The dues are \$5.00 a year.

In the absence of the secretary, Miss Augusta M. de Peyster, who is making a trip around the world, all communications should be addressed to

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December 1, 1913.

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	Membership dues
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PLEA FOR THE SAILOR

- 1. The sailor has a *very short life*. On an average his sea life is only twelve years, while the landsman's is twenty-two or more. He has, therefore, a double claim to be *first* attended to.
- 2. On an average over the year six sailors are drowned every night. These are all cases of hurried deaths.
- 3. The sailor's life is one of *continual hazard*. He is liable at any moment to be called to enter in a life-and-death struggle with the remorseless waves. While others enjoy their peaceful slumbers on the pillow, he has often sleep banished from his eyes, and is up battling for dear life with the fierce spirit of the storm.
- 4. The moment he touches shore his troubles increase rather than diminish. He is waylaid by landsharks, who dare pitilessly to rob him, not only of his purse, but what is more precious—his character, his peace of conscience, and even of his very soul.
- 5. The sailor has a soul to be saved as precious as that of any of us. Were 1,000 ships full of costly cargoes to go to the bottom in a storm, the loss would be a trifle compared with that of the sailor's soul.
- 6. He suffers greater privation than other men. He leads the life of a stranger, and scarcely ever enjoys the pleasures of home. For one or two nights he is at home, so-called, he is a month at sea. To him the Sabbath Day brings no Sabbath privileges, for the most part. The atmosphere in which he moves is usually one hostile to religion.
- 7. If he has his faults, so much greater is the need of our Society to reform him. "The whole need not the Physician."
- 8. He who came to seek and save the lost is as able and willing to save the sailor as any other man, and when on earth He chose seven of His Apostles from this class.—(From British and Foreign Sailors' Society Almanac.)

Form of Bequest

I give and bequeath to the "Seamen's Church Institute of New York," a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, the sum of Dollars, to be used by it for its corporate purposes.

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