

CAMDEN GUNNERS WRECKED.

Narrow Escape of Nine Men and Loss of the Yacht Perry.

Nine Camden young men who started for Reedy Island down the Delaware in the cabin sloop yacht Samuel Perry were wrecked at Cohansey creek and two narrowly escaped drowning Monday night. The men were Jeremiah Bennett, Officer John Brothers, William Chew, Samuel Lodge, who was the captain of the craft; George Hunt, George Meyers, Hugh McLaughlin, Harry Mines and George Morgan. The boat was 33 feet long and not any too seaworthy. In going about just off Cohansey Light the first flaw of the coming storm caught them with a back wind and immediately turned them over, and all hands made for the yawl, into which they were safely placed.

The wind freshened as they came within six hundred yards of the mouth of the creek and the yawl capsized, plunging the men into the water. Two of the company could not swim, George Morgan and Hugh McLaughlin, and they were saved with difficulty by their companions. The men were landed in an exhausted condition and were brought back to Camden on the Delaware extension of the Pennsylvania Road.

Nothing was saved excepting four guns belonging to the party, Mr. Chew losing, besides, a gold watch, \$50 in money. Messrs. Chew and McLaughlin are laid up from exposure. The Samuel Perry went to pieces. She was the property of a Camden man.