

trippers. The *Bywell Castle* was a tough working ship, and her straight iron stem all but sliced the *Princess Alice* in half. She sank in a few seconds and some 650 people drowned.

This was one of the gravest mass disasters in English history. In this book Gavin Thurston tells the story as it was unfolded in the evidence given at the inquest. He does so most skilfully, bringing to life this little group of seamen suddenly caught up

in tragedy and the smallest details of their professional and personal behaviour as revealed in the critical limelight of the court. The re-creation of the disaster in the court will fascinate all amateur sailors who have themselves been perplexed by the niceties and possible ambiguities of the rules of the road at sea.

A personal reaction to reading this book was one of shock that 650 people could drown within 300 yards of shore. Hardly

any of those Victorian holiday-makers could swim; most would never have had a chance to learn. This generation has no excuse for not doing so.

This book is so firmly based on original sources that it must have a lasting value as a record of the disaster. It is attractively illustrated with drawings from contemporary issues of the *London Illustrated News*.

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*Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received.*

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**Leonardo da Vinci and Andreas Vesalius in Anatomical Studies.** By John P. Arcieri, M.D. (Pp. 23; illustrated. No price given.) New York: Alcmæon Editions. 1965.

**Speech Disorders.** Aphasia, Apraxis, and Agnosia. 2nd edition. By Lord Brain, D.M., F.R.C.P., F.R.S. (Pp. 201. 47s. 6d.) London: Butterworth. 1965.

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