

**Awful Calamity.**  
**THE STEAMSHIP CENTRAL AMERICA  
FOUNDERED.**  
**SIX HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIX PER-  
SONS ON BOARD.**  
**Five hundred and sixty-Six Lost.**  
**ONLY SIXTY SAVED.**  
**Forty Picked Up by the Norwegian Bark  
Eloise.**  
**Twenty Saved by Other Means.**  
**Steamers Sent to Search for Her.**

From the New York Times.

The public anxiety in relation to the fate of the Central America and her passengers, is at length partially relieved by an announcement that the worst that was feared was nearest to the truth.— The Central America *foundered on the 12th inst.*, and only *sixty of a list of five hundred and twenty five passengers, and her officers and crew, have been saved.* We received the melancholy news by telegraph at a late hour last evening. Aside from the general statement of her loss, and the whereabouts of a portion of those who were saved, the despatch is provokingly devoid of important particulars, which, it would seem, might have been afforded, had more care been taken in obtaining the information. It is stated that the steamship Thomas Swan, on her way from New York to Charleston, spoke the Norwegian bark Eloise, about 15 miles north of Cape Hatteras, and was informed that he had on board *forty* of the passengers of the Central America; that the Central America *foundered on the 12th inst.*, and that only *60* out of five hundred passengers, besides the officers and crew, had been saved. Where the remaining 20 of the saved, and *not* on board the Eloise are, or in what condition they were last seen, is not stated. Whether or not any effort was made by the captain of the steamship Swan to obtain a list of the lost or saved, we are informed. For such important particulars, together with the situation of the treasure on board, we must, in all probability, await the arrival of the Eloise, or whatever vessel may have picked up the remaining 20, said to have been saved. The following is the despatch:

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