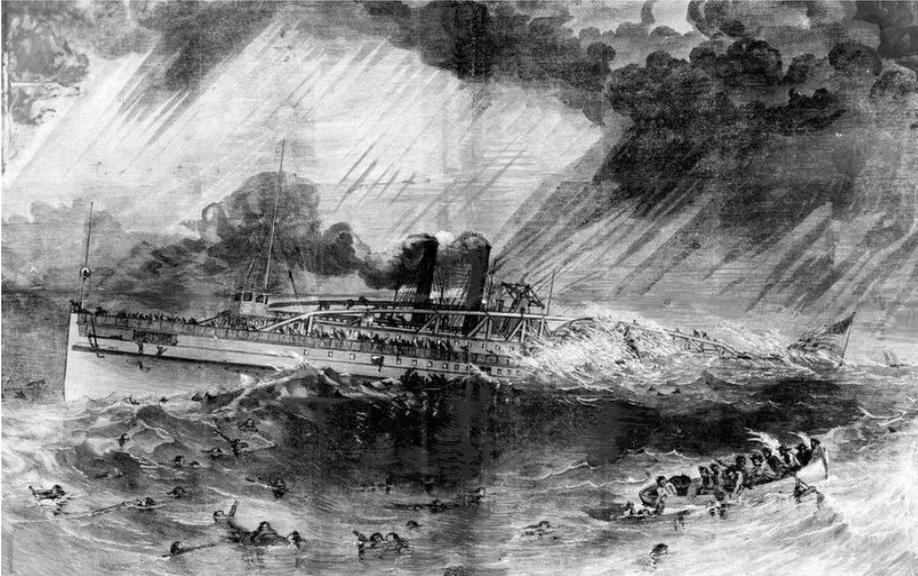


The Ethical Dilemma of The Wreck of the Lady Elgin

36 years ago, scuba divers in Lake Michigan found the wreck of the 19th-century steamship *Lady Elgin* and, inside it, a distinctive 16-carat gold pocket-watch complete with chain and key, the timepiece belonged to a man that was among some 300 people who died when the steamship *Lady Elgin* sank in Lake Michigan on her way from Milwaukee to Chicago.



Valerie van Heest, an American author and historian, came into possession of the watch, returned it to the Boston Guildhall Museum.



- ***Ms. Van Heest will be delivering a talk about the watch's discovery and the Lady Elgin shipwreck this Wednesday evening, Aug. 13 @ 7pm at the Historic Ottawa Beach Pump House Museum and Learning Center.***