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ST. JOHN N. B., FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1914

Steamer Empress of Ireland, Rammed by Collier, Sinks In St. Lawrence; 1002 May be Drowned

Fearful Scene as Liner Goes Down Near Father Point In Darkness of Night Ten Minutes After Being Struck--The **Titanic Disaster Rivalled in Awful Suddenness** 

Captain Kendall Picked up on The Wreckage Half an Hour After Steamer Sank--Details of Fearful Disaster of The Sea

STEAMER LISTED AND NOT

ALL LIFE BOATS COULD

Rammed by a collier in the St. Lawrence about a quarter to two o'clock this sorning the C. P. R. Steamship Empress of Ireland sank in ten minutes and scarried to death hundreds of people, it may be as many as 1102. The following despatches to the Times tell the awful story:

The fate of the collier is not reported, but it is thought she, too, went down.

maining 1,002 have been drowned.

FIRST NEWS AS IT CAME TO THE TIMES

Father Point, Que., May 28-A terrible disaster which equals in its awful sudhad gone down before the snips arrived. Repeated attempts were made to get the Empress by wireless, but nothing was received from her beyond the announce-ment that the Storstad had rammed her denness, that of the Titanic, occurred thirty miles east of this point in the dark hours of this morning. The Empress of Ireland, which left Quebec yesterday af- in a vital spot and that she was going ternoon with 990 passengers on board, bound for Liverpool, collided in a fog with a collier believed to have been the Storstad. The impact was tremendous, and the Empress began to sink almost MAY BE 1,002 down rapidly and that the weathe Montreal, Que., May 29-A report ha

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The scene immediately after the col-The scene immediately after the col-been received from the captains of the lision was fearful. The shricks of passen-Lady Evelyn and the Eureka, who landgers rudely awakened from their slum-bers, the hoarse cries of the captain and officers, and the wailing of women, be in the lifeboats or an and crew may officers, and the wailing of women, be in the lifeboats or on wreckage, and mingled with the noise of the rushing that they were then proceeding back to mingled with the notse of the rushing that they pick them up. waters of the Gulf. There was hardly pick them up. The captain was found on the wreck. The captain was found on the wreck

waters of the Guil. There was have been up. any time in which to launch boats. Only the most meagre details are available at this hour. Four, hundred and point to have been up. The captain was found on the wreck-age by lifeboat No. 8, after the ship foundered. E. Hayes, assistant purser, is twenty passengers are believed to have formaining 540 have found a grave in the remaining 540 have found a grave in the murky waters of the Gulf.

murky waters of the Gulf. The SOS signal was sent out by the wireless operator of the Empress at once, I. Liverpool. Four hundred and twenty and reached the government steamers Lady Evelyn and the Eureka which was passengers are believed to have been saved, but it is feared that all the reat the wharf at this place. They immediately steamed full speed to the scene of the disaster. MANY ANXIOUS

the disaster. The Empress of Ireland was in com-mand of Capt. Kendall, R. N. R., who commanded the Montrose when Crippen was captured. He is among those saved. Other officers of the ill-fated liner were: M. R. Steede, chief engineer; W. Sampson, engineer; A. B. McDonald, purser; J. F. Grant, M. D., surgeon; A. W. Gada able steward

W. Gaade, chief steward.

Among the passengers was Dr. Alex. Among the passengers was Dr. Alex. Andsay of Halifax who was going cross to be married in Warwickshire, f. G. T. ONU V. THN The found, begun. Not only were the relatives and friends of Montreal people value and ac-to discover just what had happened, and who were saved, but many who had ac-relatives or friends to this across to be married

AFLOAT ONLY TEN

MINUTES AFTER BLOW

Rimouski, Que., May 29—The Marconi Company's operator here supplies the following account of the sinking of the Empress of Ireland in the early hours of this morning, after a collision with Norwegian collier Storstad. The Em-the Norwegian collier Storstad. The Store already showing press of Ireland was rammed at 1.45 by little group, with faces already showing the Storstad, twenty miles out from Fa- the marks of anxiety, talked in whisper ther Point. The Empress sank within ten and felt the hours tugging as they crept minutes. The SOS signal sent out, was by. ermment steamers Eureka and Lady also, there were many enquiries and the **Evelyn** were despatched to the distressed answer always cane, as the worried en

Captain Half Hold on Wreckage Captain Kendall was saved, being picked up on some wreckage by No. 8 Iffeboat fully thirty minutes after his ship had foundered. Both wireless opera-tors, assistant pursers, chief engineers and chief steward were saved. Chief offi-true, especially of the Empress have always held the admiration of Canada, they were something of an achievement when they At present three hundred and fifty At present three hundred and fifty those who, only a few hours before, had those who, only a few hours before, had said farewell. To the general public, it seemed al-most impossible that the news could be true, especially of the Empress of Ire-land. The Empresses have always held the admiration of Canada, they were something of an achievement when they were put on the run, and they have held J. Johnson, T. Jones, Robert Malone, Kapter States States

The Empress of Ireland was a steel twin screw steamer of the latest tyue, fitted with electric light, wireless submarine signal systems. She was built in Glasgow in 1906 by the Fairfield Company. Her registered tonnage 14,191 gross, 9,775 under deck and 8,028 net. She had four decks and shelter deck and was 548.9 feet in length, eet beam and her depth was 36.7 feet. She was fitted with quadruple engines, of eight cylinders measuring in diameter 36, 52, 75 and 108 ctively, with a boiler pressure of 220 pounds. She was 3,168 normal horse power. Here Are The Passengers On erator of the doomed vessel said she was sinking fast. The government steamers Evelyn and Eureka, were at once rushed to the scene of the disaster, but the ship had gone down before the ships arrived. The Ill-fated C. P. R. Liner

> Two Halifax Men and One From Fredericton Included — Head of Salvation Army In **Canada and Party of Officers**

> > Carstairs, Alta.-Henry Birkett

From Toronto-F. E. Abbot, C. R. Burt, F. W. Cullen, Miss Maud Cullen, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Caughey, Staff-Master Cullen, and mad; H. R. O'Hara, Mrs. O'Hara, Miss O'Hara, and maid. From Vancouver-J. R. Abercrombie, Mrs. D. T. Hailey, C. B. Lyon.

Saloon Passengers

Mrs. D. 1. Halley, C. B. Lyon. From Hamilton-J. J. Cayley. From Winnipeg-R. A. Cunningham. From Kingston-F. P. Godson. From Guebee-C. Holloway. From Halifax-Dr. Alex. B. Lindsay. From St. Catherines-Miss Miller. From Sherbrooke-Mrs. W. E. Paton. From Ottaune & Sarbeld Mrs. Ser. From Ottawa-E. Seybold, Mrs. Seybold, G. Borne Smart. From Lards, B. C.—Miss C. P. Hay. From Fredericton—David Johnson. From Birmingham, Eng.—P. J. Aidie and Mrs. Aidie, Miss Doris Guant, A.

Hirst, F. W. Howes. From London-A. P. Anderson, M. D. A. Darling, J. Fergus Duncan, L. A. Hyamson, Lawrence Irving, Mrs. Irving and maid; Sir Henry Seaton Karr, A. G. Maginnis, Mrs. and Miss E. Mullins, W. Leonard Palmer, Mrs. Palmer, Rev J. Wallett, A. E. Mullins.

From Manchester-P. C. Averdick, V G. Brandon, W. Fenton. the newspaper offices, and at other cen-tres where information might possibly From Nottingham, Eng.—A. J. 1 rows, Hardwood Cash, Mrs. Cash. From Bradford, Eng.-Charles Gold-

thorpe From Liverpool—A. J. Wakefield. From Nassau Bahamas—Mrs. Hart From Bennet, Miss Ailsee. From Auckland, N. Z.-Lieut.-Col. B. Veitch. companied relatives or friends to this city or to Quebec, to see them away, had

From Auckland, N. Z.—Lieut. Con. From Auckland, Mrs. Bloomfield, Miss H. I. R. Bloomfield, Mrs. H. W. Price, H. I. R. Bloomfield, Mrs. H. W. Price, Mrs. Geo. White. Nanaimo, B. C.—Mrs. Robt. Hoggan. Nanaimo, B. C.—Mrs. K. Farr, Miss

levy. From Yokohama—Cox Edwards. From Hong Kong—W. D. Graham, Mrs. Graham. From Suva Fiji-J. Gabriel Marks and Mrs. Marks.

Second Class. At the passenger department office From Toronto-Miss Abales, Miss

 Evelyn were despatched to the distressed vessel's assistance. The Empress of Ire-fland listed and was unable to get most of the boats out.
 answer always came, as the worned the quirer asked if such a person were saved, that as yet "nothing definite" could be given out. The news was not in the city, but it was weary waiting for those who, only a few hours before, had
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and chief steward were saved. Chief our the admiration of Canada, they were were saved. Chief our the admiration of Canada, they were were saved. Chief our the something of an achievement when they have held something of an achievement when they have held to their good record for year after year. And others are to follow. When the first SOS call was received from the Empress spoke of sailing on some other ship, but Neeve, Mrs. Pauling, W. Perkins, W. (Continued on page 7, fourth column) Wakefield.

Ottawa-J. W. Black and Mrs. Black Captain A. Goodwin, Salvation Army. London, Ont., Edward Beale. Prince Albert, Sask.-Miss M. Atkin. W. Stitt, Mrs. Stitt, Ensign Geo. Bon-

Siverton, B. C.-Mrs. W. Barber, Miss Norence Barber, Miss Evelyn Barber. tendam, Ensign E. Peacock, Ensign E. Florence Barber, Miss Evelyn Barber. Florence Barber, Miss Evelyn Barber, Winnipeg-Miss A. S. M. Assafrey, J. Erzinger, H. E. Ford, Mrs. J. Hakker, Miss Judith Hakker, J. Lennon, J. Mor-gan, William Morgan, Mrs. T. Muttall and infant Miss Muttall; H. Peterson, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. George Prior, Ad-Warber Miss J. Ballomb, Miss Peterson, Mrs. George Prior, Ad-Wise R Berry, G. D. Bishon, R. B. Bull and infant Miss Muttall; H. Feterson, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. George Prior, Ad-jutant Beckstead, Captain James Mc-pitt, Mrs. M. K. Hepburn, Miss B. M. pitt, Mrs. M. K. Hepburn, Miss Grath, Salvation Army delegates. Calgary, Alta.—Miss F, Holcombe, Mrs. Howarth Mrs. Howarth, Master How-Howarth, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Law, Master How-arth, E. Law, Mrs. Law, Master Law, John Petterson, Miss

John Patterson, Robert Patterson, Miss E. Patterson, Mrs. E. Smith, Mrs. E. Stainer, A. E. Stillman, Mrs. W. Graft.

Saskatoon, Sask.—Alfred Barker. Paris, Ont.—Miss I Blackhurst. St. Thomas, Ont.-Mrs. F. E. Boyn-Kenora, Ont.-O. Brown, Mrs. J.

wards.

Regina, Sask.—Coasta Buhler, Ah-Regina, Sask.—Coasta Buhler, Ah-leath Miss Mary Wood. Hamilton, Ont.—Mrs. S. Burgess. Miss C. Hope, John Reilly, Miss Alice Voneley, Harry Yates, Mrs. Yates, Ad-jutant Anna Price, Salvation Army. Victoria, B. C.—Mrs. E. Chignell, Miss B. Veitch ton, B. Weinbrauch. Phelix and

I WOULDN'S CHANGE WITH THE PRESIDENT

THE PRESIDENT OF THE U. & EVEN IF HE DOES OFT TWO DOLLARS A Moose Jaw, Sask.—Miss Robt. Hoggan. Moose Jaw, Sask.—Miss K. Farr, Miss J. Farr, Miss D. Farr, Miss B. Farr. Princeton, B. C.—Mrs. A. Cole, Pierson, Man—J. F. Dandy, C. Halli-

Moosemin, Sask.—Mrs. J. Elinslie. Chilliwack, B. C.—Mr. and Mrs. James

fin and infant. Nortlach, Sask-Wm. Hart, Mrs. Hart, Miss Edith Hart, Master Wm. Hart,

Weyburn, Sask .- Ensign F. Peacock Salvation Army. Merritt, B. C.-J. W. Langley. Peterboro, Ont.-W. H. Perry. Edmonton, Alta-Miss A. Priestly,

Miss M. Priestly. Guelph, Ont.—S. J. Sampson. Nesbitt, Man.—Wm Shattock.

Maritime :- Light to moderate winds, fine today and on Saturday, Saturday Kamloops, B. C .- Mrs. Elizabeth Tap varmer.

Campbellford, Ont .-- Miss E. Willmo Lethbridge, Alta.--Brigadier J. Hunt-r, Mrs. Hunter, Miss Hunter, Master Hunter

Son of John Hamilton, Waterloo Street, Assistant Purser --Valued Official and Popular Young Man -- The News In St. John

FRANK HAMILTON, ST. JOHN

YOUNG MAN, WAS ONE OF

OFFICERS OF THE EMPRES

Eagerly many friends in St. John wait definite news concerning the only ocal officer on hoard the ill-fated steamer, and perhaps the only Canadian in the number-Frank W. Hamilton, of

Halifax, N. S .- Adjutant Geo. Ed-256 Waterloo street, a very popular young man about the city, assistant pur-SALVATION DELEGATES ser on the lost steamer. He is the only

FROM TORONTO. son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hamilton, Commisisoner David Rees and Mrs. and has been in the service of the C. P. Rees, Captain Harding Rees, Capt. Ruth R. for several years. He is about twenty-six years of age and has rapidly risen Rees, Miss Annie Rees, Col. S. Maidin the steamship passenger department through his ability, proper grasp of his ment, Mrs. Maidment, Brigadier Potter, Master Willard Potter, Brigadier John Walter Major Geo. Atwell, Mrs. At- Mr. Hamilton has been on the Em-

well, Major D. L. and Mrs. Creighton, Major Hugh Findlay, Mrs. Findlay, Ma-office more from a sense of duty rather Major Hugh Findlay, Mrs. Findlay, Ma-Major Hugh Findlay, Mrs. Findlay, ars. than to please his own minu, or that or jor Richard Turpin, Capt. A. Hayes, his now greatly anxious parents. He Capt Arthur Morris, Capt. Mrs. Morris, made his first trip across on the under-Capt. D. McAmmond, Adjutant Ever-ett Debow, Mrs. Debow, Adjutant and standing that he would not have to go ett Debow, Mrs. Debow, Adjutant and Mrs. Hary Green, Adjutant Ed Han-nagn, Mrs. Hannagan, Miss Grace Han-nagan, Adjutant Ina Maisey, Adjutant the company and he has remained in the office on board since, though after cach trip expecting to be transferred. Mr. Hamilton was in the local pas senger department of the C. P. R. for a while before being transferred to Mon-

WEATHER

Synopsis-A moderate depression cov-

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sinking hearts and are awaiting further details of the calamity in fear and

Mrs. W. Graft. Mrs. W. Graft. Montreal list—First class: A. E. Bar-College in Montreal and the accompany-Mrs. W. Graft. Montreal list—First class: A. E. Bar-low and Mrs. Barlow, L. A. Gosselin, C.
D. Tylee and Mrs. Tylee, H. H. Lyman and Mrs. Lyman, Miss Grace Kohl,
I. Lionel Kent, G. W. S. Henderson, Miss W. Crathern, W. Hirxheimer, F. J.
a. Rutherford, J. T. Taylor, Miss D. Tay-lor, Miss H. Taylor.
College in Montreal and the atcourput. ing picture was taken of him in his graduating attire. Of a sunny, happy disposition, he has always been most popular with his friends in St. John, Montreal and elsewhere for his nature caused him to easily make friends, and once made, to retain them. Mr. Ham-ilton has been a member of St. John
Anxiety Here The news of the Empress disaster

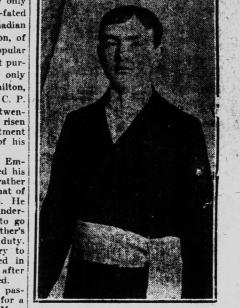
morning, as soon as people began to stir around the street. The word flew A little after noon today word was re-ceived from Montreal that the assistant pursers had been saved though the head purser had been drowned. Mr. Framilton purser had been drowned as having BULLETIN purser had been drowned. Mr. Hamilton was not definitely mentioned as having been saved, or lost, but it is hoped that the news concerning the assistant pur-the news concerning the assistant pur-

the news concerning the assistant pur-sers include him. A wire was sent through the C. P. R. Lissued by author-ity of the Depart-ment of Marine and Pisheries, R. F. Stu-part, director of meterological ser-vice. Itrate depression cov-region attended by mother asked him why, he said it was Its news concerning the assistant pur-sers include him. A wire was sent through the C. P. R. Caused the greatest anxiety among many of the citizens. The disaster was of such an over-whelming' nature that people at first found it hard to credit the reports, but as additional bulletins were received. Any hope that it was not so serious was grew longer. During the day little else was talked of about the streets, the telgraph offices were watched for the latest news, and newspaper offices were kept busy an-

ers the upper lake region attended by because of "life-boat drill, as he had swering calls for information. showers and thunderstorms, elsewhere

because of "infe-boat drill, as he had charge of one of the boats, and was re-sponsible if anything should go wrong." Wife Is Anxious An anxious wife arrived in the city the Maritime Express from Mondon

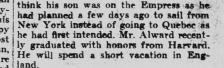
varmer. Washington, May 29-New England this morning, Mrs. Morris, wife of Ma- with great relief, tempered only by the forecasts: Fair and warmer tonight; jor Morris of the Salvation Army. Her regret for the many others who are Salvatay: Increasing cloudiness and army officials who were on their way so sadly bereft



FRANK W. HAMILTON

treal a few years ago. The young man has visited his home here after almost every trip from across the other side, and it is only about six England to attend the state conferen to be held there. She was hoping for the weeks ago since his friends had the op-portunity of giving him a welcome Likely Sailed From New York best, but had received no word

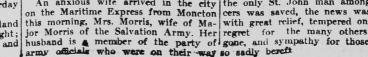
W. Wallace Alward, son of Dr. Silas Alward, K. C., intended going to Eng-land on a pleasure trip and it was thought at first that he had possibly sailed on the Empress. Dr. Alward said



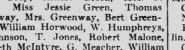
again. An anxious mother and father today heard tidings of the disaster with

this morning however that he did not think his son was on the Empress as he

once made, to retain them. Mr. Hain-ilton has been a member of St. John Council, 987, Knights of Columbus, for was received in St. John early this



Mary Baxter, Mrs. William Clarke, Miss Nellie Clarke, Mrs. M. Dale and infant;



Gregg. Cloverdale, B. C.-Mrs. W. H. Grif

