

was quite completed. The vessel was loaded at Pictou with such supplies as were on hand there, and after having made several unsuccessful attempts to reach the Magdalen Islands, was compelled to put into Souris, P.E.I., from which port it seems quite unlikely that a departure can be made before the opening of navigation in the spring.

As soon as the "MONTCALM" succeeded in rescuing the "CANADIAN SPINNER," which was held fast in the ice in the vicinity of Anticosti, that vessel proceeded to Souris in the hope of being able to convoy the "SEALER" to the Magdalen Islands, or in the alternative to take on board as much of the cargo as space would permit, for delivery at the Magdalen Islands. After having considered the matter very fully, the Captains of both vessels agreed that the "SEALER" could not make the voyage from Souris to the Magdalen Islands. That work was therefore abandoned, and the work of transferring the cargo to the "MONTCALM" was at once commenced. That operation completed, the vessel left Souris on Saturday morning last, but very little progress has been made, owing to the extremely difficult and unusual conditions encountered. The word received at the Department at noon to-day was that the ship was

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