

TWO EDUCATIONAL BILLS PROMISED

VANCOUVER HAS A UNIVERSITY IN VIEW

John Oliver Proposes to Amend the Dewdney Relief Bill—Midway and Vernon Trouble.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The minister of education gives notice of two bills which he intends to introduce into the legislature relative to educational institutions...

The present scheme of Dr. Torrey is to go further than anything attempted heretofore in this line in British Columbia. While the details of the scheme as proposed have not been made public yet it is said that the idea is to establish in Vancouver what would be practically a school of mines...

A citizen who has taken a deep interest in educational matters writing on this subject to the Times says as follows: Victorians should awaken to the fact that negotiations are being carried on between McGill University and the citizens of Vancouver...

There was a good deal of discussion on the subject of the proposed new school buildings, as to whether they should be erected on the site of the old buildings, or on a new site...

TYEE PROMISES WELL

The New Strike is Regarded as Very Important to Mount Sicker Camp. As briefly mentioned in Tuesday's Times the management of the Tyee mine has every reason to feel elated over the prospects at the 1,000-foot level.

The total clearing at the Victoria clearing house for the month of January were: \$3,517,434. For the same month in the five previous years the totals were: 1905, \$2,265,085; 1904, \$2,446,274; 1903, \$2,602,887; 1902, \$2,788,581; 1901, \$3,257,697.

Midway & Vernon Railway Company may come to the courts.

Commission Will Sit to Investigate the Circumstances of Wreck Early Next Month.

SOCIETY WOMAN MAY JOIN THE SEARCH

W. Allen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, to-day received the following dispatch from Bamfield from Capt. Smith, who went to the scene of the wreck on the tug Lorne:

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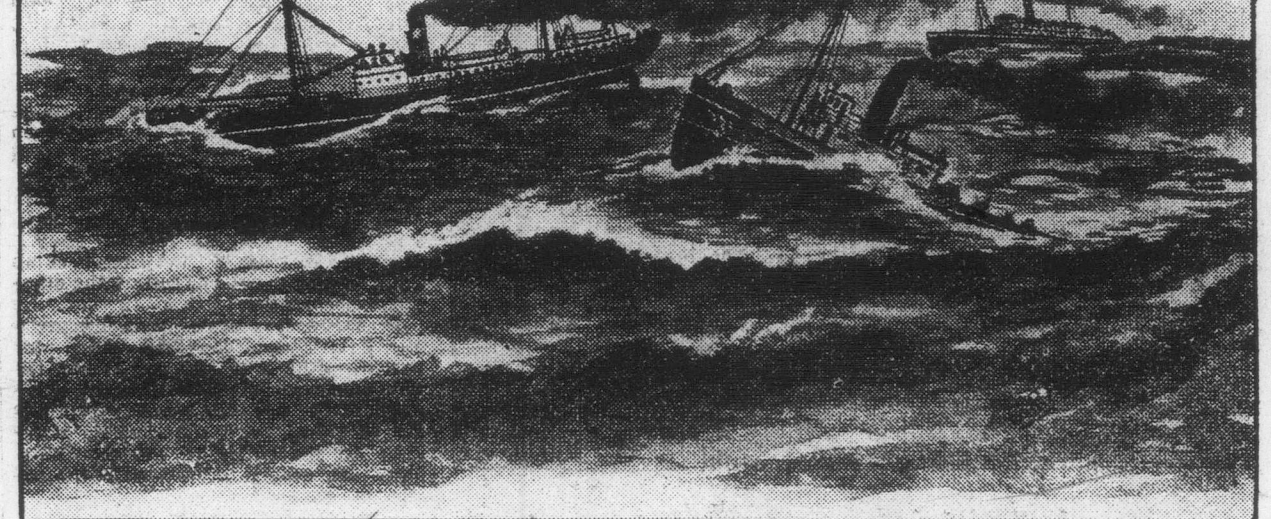
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THE RESCUE FLEET OFF THE SCENE OF THE WRECK. From a Wash Drawing by the Times Artist after a Sketch made on the morning of the 24th.

addition to the descriptions already given in the Times, R. P. Rither & Company have been asked if they know anything of a second class passenger named J. Walling who is mentioned as a man six feet one inch in height, with dark hair, dark moustache and weighing 155 pounds.

One body was found yesterday by Indians near Pachena. It was placed on board the tug Bahada and sent to Seattle. The tug arrived this morning about 1 o'clock with the remains aboard, but left at once for Seattle, having called here only for the purpose of entering and clearing. This procedure must be followed by all steamers from the American side visiting the coast hereafter, orders to this effect having been sent to the Sound by Collector John Newbury yesterday.

As there can be no more lives saved, says Mr. Newbury, the steamers must comply with the shipping regulations. At first there was no objection made to steamers doing otherwise so long as they were rendering assistance in life saving, but this stage having now passed the usual law will be enforced.

With reference to the commission appointed by the Dominion government to make a complete investigation into the wreck, Capt. Gaudin has been informed from Ottawa that the personnel of the commission must stand as originally decided, and that Capt. Newbury's return from the north must be awaited. The commission will sit, said Capt. Gaudin this morning, early in the month. He telegraphed to Lightkeeper Patterson at Cape Beale and to Bamfield this morning asking that the cutter Grant take charge of the bodies.

A dispatch to the Times from Bamfield yesterday said: "Cannot get confirmation of the Indian report of the wreck. The skipper of the tug Edna Grace cruises daily amongst the islands, buying salmon for the Indians. He says the report of the men picked up by the Salvor on Thursday last.

"Cutter Grant arrived here this afternoon and reported having been near Darling, but could render no assistance as the sea was running high." "Tug Wyadla arrived here to-night and said she landed boats twice, but could bring no bodies off. They left two men to relieve McWha and Mousley, who reached Bamfield to-night." "The Indians found one body to-day near Pachena. A piece of envelope with address 4193 South Main street, Los Angeles, and P. C. S. baggage check No. 8713 were all the means of identification."

"A body is on board the Bahada, bound for Seattle via Victoria." "Tug Lorne has just arrived." "Supt. Hussey, provincial police, yesterday received the following telegram from Bamfield: "Eleven at wreck, one identified; Logan, J. P. has effects; tug Wyadla will report Victoria with two bodies, one identified, no effects. Tug Bahada, one body for Victoria, unidentified, no effects. U. S. S. Grant taken three to Seattle, identified." The body brought on the Bahada was taken over to Seattle.

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