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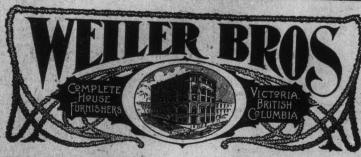
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Clallam Helpless In the Straits

Broke Down When Off Clover Point and Tugs Fail to Find Her.

Vas Last Seen Scudding Before Gale Under Jib Toward San Juan.

gines damaged and incapacitated by the continual racing of the screw in the heavy sea caused by the gale of yesterday.

Mr. E. E. Blackwood, local agent of the Puget Sound steamship Company, when he looked from Clover point at 3:45 p. m. and saw the helpless plight of his company's steamer, could eet that some mishap had befallen her maceniery, and he hurried to the nearest telephone to secure a tugboat to despatch assistance to the steamer, which was not more than half an hour's steaming from port. Had a tug been available another hour would have seen her at her dock, but no tug was available. Wainly the agent telephoned to agent after agent. The Lorne was at the Cape, the Albion was at Tacoma, the Sadie was north, the Mamie, the Hope, each and all of the tugs were absent in various directions. The steamers of the C. P. R. in port had their fires out, and the engine departments were away. It would take five hours at least to get steam up even when the engine crews were gathered together. The D. G. S. Quadra was not in commission and her machinery was apart being overhauled. At Esquimalt Messrs. Bullen offered the Maude, but then it was found that she had too little ballast in her to put one in the teeth of that southwest gale. The government tug Princess of the public works department, was sought, but it was considered too rough to seen that vessel out by those in charge.

Then Fort Townsend replied to telegrams. They had heard the request for tugs and the Richard Holyoke and the Sea Lion of the Puget Sound Tugboat Company were despatched at 7 o'clock. Then, too, Mr. Blackwood tried to intercept the steamer Charmer of the C. P. R. off Sidney, but could mot. The steamer Charmer on her arrival reported having seen nothing of the missing steamer, which had drifted off before the southwest gale going in the direction of San Juan island and the United States side, and Capt. Troup the steamer Charmer on her arrival reported having seen nothing of the missing Clalam. The Iroquois had run out from the steamer could se

Port Townsend, Jan. S.—Midnight brings no news of the disabled steamer Clallam or the fleet of tugs which was despatched to her rescue tonlight when the news was received that she was drifting disabled in the flerce storm which begun this morning and has prevalled all day in the straits. The last advices were to the effect that the Clalam was sighted making slow progress under jib sail in the vicinity of Discovery island. The location is most unfavorable to a vessel in the predicament of the Clallam for the sharp rocky shore of Discovery island is directly exposed to the full sweep of a southwest storm and the Clallam will be in a most dangerous position if she does not succeed in weathering the threatening shores. The vessel hasaboard the usual number of passengers. The fleet now gone to the rescue and to be augmented unless favorable report is received soon, includes the tugs Holyoke, Sea Lion, Bahada, and Magic, all engaged in deep sea towing business.

The steamer Umatilla, which arrived from San Francisco last night, reported flaving sighted 4:e steamer Clallam, or rather lights from a vessel believed to be the Clallam, wallowing in the Straits towards the United States side. The vessel was seen at a great distance and indistinctly.

During her voyage from Vancouver

During her voyage from Vancouver the steamer Charmer had the windows of the mail clerk's room broken by heavy waves, and some of the mail was received in a damp condition. PASSI

FORGING FOR MOANA. Ten-Ton Piece of Metal Now Ready For That Steamship.

The big iron forging composing the new sternpost propeller-post and keel plece, to be atted to the steamship Moana in place of the one she broke through grounding at William Head, several weeks ago, has arrived at Esquimait from San Francisco. It weighs in the neighborhood of ten tons. Various parts of the forging were forged in separate furnaces, the lot finally being made one by welding, From the appearance of the forging it is deemed to be a good one. An iron forging was ordered because no firm was willing to guarantee the proper performance of the welding of a steel one.

The broken sternpost, propeller-post and keel plece on the Moana have not yet been entirely removed, but the job is being rushed with all possible speed now that the new forging is on the ground at Esquimait ready for installation. The old forging was fractured at the lower part of the sternpost and propeller-post just below the bearing.

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Apart from the fitting and placing of the new forging in position, there is a great deal of work to be done on the Moana before she will be ready for service again. The lignum vitae bushing of her rudder-post was so badly injured that it will have to be rebored, and there are a lot of other odd jobs to be done in connection with the repairing of her damaged steering apparatus.

The Moana is now scheduled to sail from Victoria for Sydney on January 20th but

COMFORT FOR THE AGED.

Judging from the letters of people up in ears there is no medicine which so romptly frees them of aches and pains and insures regularity of the liver, isidneys and bowels as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver ulle. Even when all other means have alled old people can turn to this great tedicine with full assurance of relief and assurance of relief and the control of the cont