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CAPILANO. COQUITLAM.  
VENTURE. VADSO.  
CHEAKAMUS

*Vancouver, B.C. Dec. 24th, 1913.*

Iver Fougner, Esq.,  
Indian Agent,  
Bella Coola, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your File 189/C, dated the 15th inst., regarding damage done to <sup>the</sup> ~~our~~ wharf at Hartley Bay. This matter has not yet been reported to us by the Captain of our S.S. "VENTURE", but Mr. Matthews' own account of it shows that heavy weather was the cause of the mishap. It is evident that the Captain ran considerable risk in making a landing in order to convenience the people at Hartley Bay, and we think it is hardly fair to ask us to pay for the damage in this case. Had the "VENTURE" passed by, as she <sup>have</sup> would evidently <sup>have</sup> been justified in doing, the residents at Hartley Bay would have had no mail or freight for another week.

Yours faithfully,

EHB/M

Union Steamship Company of B.C., Limited

*Matthews*  
Managing Director

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