

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1903.

LIFEBOAT CREW BATTLES WITH STORM TO AID MARINERS IN DISTRESS.

American Schooner Drifting on Red Head Shore Sends Distress Signals; South End Boys Man City Boat and Take Captain and Crew Off—Attention of U. S. Government to Be Brought to the Matter.

Excitement was intense about Reed's Point and the government pier Sunday morning, when a life saving crew, captained by Fred Lehey, launched the city's new life boat and hastened to the aid of Captain Donovan and crew of five men, who were showing distress signals from the rigging of the three-masted schooner Edna, as she was slowly dragging anchor just below Anthony's Cove, on the eastern side of the harbor. The endangered mariners were safely taken from the schooner.

The Edna had from Columbia Falls (Me.) is owned by C. L. Donovan, and commanded by the owner's brother, Capt. W. Donovan. With a full cargo of sailing, and bound from Chouinard (N. B.) for New York, the Edna dropped anchor about two miles to the southwest of Partridge Island Saturday evening, about 7 o'clock, to weather the fast approaching storm. The anchor was dropped in seven fathoms of water.

Starts Drugging. At 11 o'clock Saturday night the wind had shifted to the southeast and was blowing hard. It was soon seen that the ship was dragging her anchor, and the second anchor was let go. Slowly but steadily she dragged in the harbor and towards the eastern shore.

Once more the crew hoisted the life boat and were covered to the Edna, where they began heaving away on the anchor in an endeavor to get the craft out into deep water, as at 3.30 o'clock she was rolling about in only two fathoms of water.

Expressed thanks. Before the life boat crew left, Captain Donovan heartily thanked them all for the gallant way in which they came to his assistance, and said he would like to acknowledge through the press how much thanks he and his crew felt for the way in which they had been rescued.

The life-saving crew. About 10 o'clock the boat was run on its keel out of the tidal and was lowered into the water. Fred Lehey took the place at the steering oar, and the officers to man the oars were Edward Lehey, Harry Spence, James Murray, Edward Murray, John Lehey, Thos. Collins, Thomas Miller and D. McDermott. When the life boat left the point she was steered down the harbor and headed for the vessel flying the distress signal.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. Mrs. Victor Gowland, of Salisbury, is visiting friends in the city. Mrs. H. E. Stickey and her daughter, Dr. Elizabeth M. Blackley, of Boston (Mass.), who have been spending three months at Little Leprux, are in the city the guests of Miss P. Knight Hanson, 222 West street.

NEARLY 50 MILE AN HOUR WIND. Y.M.C.A. WORK IN LOCAL COLLEGES.

Storm of Sunday Most Severe in St. John This Season. SOME DAMAGE DONE. Schooner Reported Ashore Near Misep—Damage Along Harbor Front—An Inch and Three-quarters of Rain Fall—Thunder, Too.

The most severe wind storm which has struck St. John since August Saturday night and Sunday morning. The afternoon of Sunday is called off, but again the wind sprang up at night. From Saturday evening 8 o'clock until Sunday afternoon one and three-quarter inches of rain fell, a pretty heavy downpour. Early Saturday evening there was a distant rumble of thunder, too. The greatest velocity reached by the wind was forty-eight miles an hour.

Some damage was done about the city. The storm developed off the South Atlantic coast Friday, and traveled rapidly northward. Saturday morning the local meteorological bureau posted a bulletin advising that a southeast gale was approaching the signal was changed to a warning of a westerly gale. The wind force increased to thirty miles an hour at 7 o'clock. It blew throughout the day, and the wind had shifted to the southwest.

Friday's Session. On Friday morning, G. C. Gilkie, Y. M. C. A. traveling secretary for the preparatory school in the United States and Canada, opened the session, and delivered a short address. He was followed by A. B. Williams, who strongly expressed the desire that all the delegates would make the fullest possible use of the opportunity to engage the attention of the convention.

How to make our meetings of such practical value, and the preparation for sessions. The object of a much larger and more representative body of men shall be vitally influenced by them.

How to provide adequately for the needs of every man in the institution for Bible study. How to implant in the lives of students a real habit of daily study of the Bible. How to draw the men of our different colleges into a far greater number of men, especially non-Christian men, and that a majority of our students may be giving something for the missionary cause.

PORTLAND IS HAPPY. Expects the Grand Trunk to Give a Better Winter Service Than Ever Before.

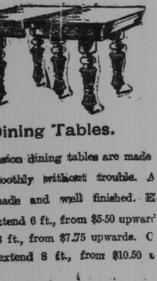
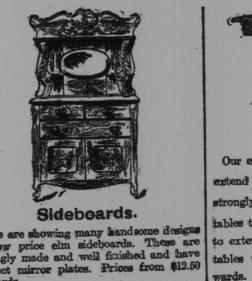
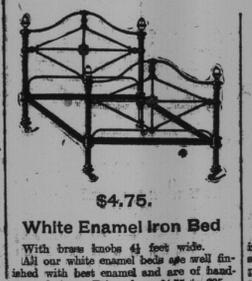
A Portland (Me.) letter to the Bangor Commercial says: "There is now no longer any doubt that the steamship service to this port will be better this season than ever before. A vast amount of freight will be carried and there will be a revival of the passenger service. There is every reason for the belief that this will be a record breaker. Everything points that way and the Grand Trunk is getting ready to take all the freight offered. The time may come when some Canadian port will take the business of the great international lines away from Portland, but it will not be until there is a radical change in the climate of this section of the world."

Provincial News. The Richmond Review says: Work on the Beauséjour railway is progressing rapidly. One mile of the road has been graded, commencing at the Adamsville end. About fifty men, besides horses and carts, are employed. Oyster fishermen ought to reap a good harvest this year, notwithstanding the scarcity of fish and somewhat unfavorable weather, says a P. E. Island paper. The price is \$5.50 for common oysters and \$6.75 for hand picked. The drainage this season is far above only about half what they were this time last year.

Bangor Man Has Smallpox in Amesbury Mass. Amesbury, Mass., Oct. 19—George Freeman, who came here yesterday from Bangor (Me.), was found today to have a well developed case of smallpox. Seattle Bank Falls. Seattle, Oct. 19—The Seattle branch of the International Bank and Trust Company of America, at the city of Mexico, which failed last week, has closed its doors, with assets of \$27,000 and liabilities of \$66,000. The schooner Wanda, at Halifax, got on the rocks at 10 o'clock.

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A Valuable Cargo. New York, Oct. 18—The Ward line steamer Esperanza, which arrived today from Mexico and Havana, brought \$5,000,000 in specie for European bankers.

Probate Court. The last will of Mary Sullivan was admitted to probate and letters testamentary were granted to Mary Elizabeth Magarity, the devise named in the will. The value of the estate is \$200 personal and \$300 real property, S. A. M. Skinner, probator.

Address by Secretary Marshall. Fraser Marshall, the secretary of the Maritime Y. M. C. A., addressed the convention "On the Opportunity of the Student Y. M. C. A. in any College." This address contained some very practical points relating to the social, educational and religious side of student life and was much appreciated.

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