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The private bills committee of the the West Kootenay Power Company's vent an increase in prices. act of incorporation. Additional evidence was produced before the com- Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. mittee in support of the West Kootenay's application for an extension of the area in which power could be sup-

The Question of Supplying Electricity

POWER COMPANIES

COMMITTEE OF HOUSE

PRESSING CLAIMS

Senator Warner Miller, of New York, president of the Dominion Copper Company, whose works are located at Boundary Falls, near Greenwood, testified that he had become interested in this property under the impression that there was an unlimited source of MEETING LAST NIGHT upply for electric power to develop he properties. He also expected con itions were as they were in New York tate when there was absolute liberty given to all power companies to enter tate, and there was free competition. Had he known that the conditions were such as they turned out to be he would

have gone into the proposition. The immediate needs of the company was from 750 horse power to 1,000 forse power. If the power could be a smelter capable of handling ,000 tons a day would be erected, and would require 2,000 horse power. le said that when the Dominion Coper Company took hold of the Monteal & Boston Company's properties it equired the mines at Sunset, Phoenix

and elsewhere. Senator Miller said he was out here arrange for future development of property. In attempting to do this found some difficulty with the Caside Company. If it were not possible undertaken. He was out here to ettle the difficulties. There was abundant low grade ore, but in competition with Utah and other states cheaper power must be provided than that supolied by steam. At present the high price of copper made it possible to run with steam. The present prices could be expected to continue. They might hold up for six months and good prices might continue for some time

His company had stopped work on the new plant now. He said that he prepared estimates. had no contract for power. Offers had been received from the Cascade Company and West Kootenay Power Company. He had no connection with either of these and would close with either one which could give power.
The Cascade Company declined to

furnish all the power necessary. They offered to furnish power subject to tracts with other companies. Would you consider that a conact?" asked Senator Miller. "It was

contract," he added. In reply to W. J. Bowser, Senator er said that the electric machinery the smelter improvements now roposed in the present smelter would ost about \$75,000. The building of the 00-ton smelter would cost from \$500,000 \$750,000.

n reply to E. V. Bodwell, Senator ller said that he did not care where ne power came from as long as it was continuous supply and was given at asonable rate.

If the low grade ores of British Combia was to be developed miners and ter. melter owners would have to be given n opportunity to get the necessary ower. He had been accustomed to

Mr. Bodwell said he would like to mpany had not in view the prevent- act.

oany sought was that the \$500,000 instment should not be rendered useputting it out of business. E. McAllister, manager of the B.

Copper Company, at Greenwood, lso gave evidence. He said his comny had a capacity of from 650 tens pany could get the power it would un- meetings. rtake to handle 2,000 tons a day by eptember. After operating for several years it

o make it pay on the scale on which was being worked. The works were way to make a profit on the invest- residents of North Chatham street be City Market ment was to increase the capacity. It read. was decided that an investment of It was, after some discussion, agreed \$175,000 would be made in machinery, to read the petitions. this \$40,000 would be in electrical 00 ltorse-power. This was obtained he 2,700 horse-power would be used in | ington street and other districts, askthe Mother Lode and Emma mines.

ways able to furnish the minimum eived. He did not blame the Cascade t that time. The cost of operating posed thereto. er electric power was about one-

When he entered into a contract aware that there was any priority of grant manhood suffrage, he said. aim upon the power. He afterwards found that the Granby smelter and others had a prior claim on the supply. When his company decided to put suffrage in the electric supply the Cascade comagreed that the Copper company of power. This he contended was an proinciple would be adopted.

Mr. Bodwell contended that the com- posed. He thought it went too far. pany was justified in not agreeing to put the line where the supply of powers was not large, and where no guarer was not large, and where no guarantee was put up as to what amount would be required later.

In reply to other questions, Mr. Mc- ment, should not have the same voice Allister agreed that it would not be in in public affairs as permanent resithe best interests of the Boundary country to put out the chance of competition from the Cascade company. He, however, did not think this was HEARING EVIDENCE likely to follow.

dents.

purport of the bill.

Ald. Douglas pointed out that many

by-laws should be voted upon only by

Ald. Yates did not think that the

world was far enough advanced for the adoption of manhood suffrage.

Some contended that the man who

paid the rent was the man who paid

the taxes. That was not so in Victoria

to-day, for while property was going

The point was discussed at consider-

each alderman accused the other of

payment of water rates be not a quali-

Here again there was a long discus-

The clauses were gone through seri-

Ald. Fullerton objected to the estab-

ishment of such an institution in Vic-

Ald. Hall recommended that the

police commissioners be asked to en-

Ald. Yates moved that the ladies be

informed that the council are not in

Adl. Vincent seconded the motion,

A number of duly verified accounts

The fire wardens recommended the

The library commissioners recom-

nended a schedule of hours for those

would necessitate the appointment of

a second assistant at a salary of about

There was considerable opposition to

tion were gratuitous. The company

commend improvements. Before ac-

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proval the arrangement was made.

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Civic Salaries 16,297 05

Waterworks 30,668 98

Fire Department 27,600 97

Infirm 3,950 08

NEWSPAPER LAWS

Publishers of False Rumors Will Be

St. Petersburg, Feb. 13.—The council

of ministers has decided that the prop-

officials or the army shall be punish-

able by two to eight months imprison-

outbreak of illegal acts or distui!

will be increased to sixteen months'

Promptly Punished.

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Home for Aged and

Streets, Sewers and

Education

maintenance.

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City debt

favor of such an hospital in Victoria.

were submitted and passed.

force the law against expectoration.

hospital being suggested.

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\$30 per month.

agreed to.

up, rents were coming down.

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Mr. Bodwell could not see how it could be otherwise if all the smelter companies cancelled their contracts with the Cascade company.

Mr. Campbell, manager of the West Kootenay company, was asked if there was no danger of the West Kootenay increasing the price of power on the completion of the contracts now entered into with the various smelters for four or five years.

Mr. Campbell said it would be imlegislature sat again this morning, and possible to do so, as the companies considered the proposed amendment to the Columbia river for power and prewould still have the chance to utilize The committee adjourned until

AND ANOTHER TO-NIGHT

into any contracts it saw fit in the The Estimates For the Year Amount to \$469,645—Big Increase in School Expenditure.

> There was a full attendance at last night's meeting of the city council, which began business at 8 o'clock and adjourned at 10.50. A big variety of tonics was discussed and unanimity marked the proceedings.

The minutes of last meeting were read and duly confirmed, after which the city clerk read a number of communications. From the secretary of the hospital

was read a letter asking that a com-

mittee be appointed to confer as to get the power the works would not proposed sewerage. This was agreed The secretary of the board of school trustees asked that the meeting to discuss estimates be deferred until

> Wednesday next. Ald. Hall asked that a detailed estimate be asked for from the school trustees. Ald. Yates thought that the trus

tees should be in attendance and prepared with their estimates. Ald. Hall thought that the trustees might have held a special meeting and

The communication was held over. The secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals suggested that a separate "ward" be provided for dogs suffering from mange or other contagious disease, and that owners of dogs for which veterinary services were required should be held responsible for the cost. Diseased dogs, it was suggested, should be destroyed.

The Mayor asked Ald. Hall if it were probable that dogs with mange could communicate the same to human

Ald. Hall answered in the affirma-

tive. The Mayor said that under such circumstances all dogs suffering from mange should be promptly destroyed. Ald. Yates suggested that the matter he referred to the board of health.

Ald. Fullerton advised that diseased dogs be promptly dispatched. The city solicitor announced that there was a bill now before the local the services of the gentleman in queslegislature which dealt with the mat-

The letter was received and filed. Sayward & Co. asked that the Rock gested that they might be able to re-Bay bridge having been completed they be allowed to connect with same. The matter was referred to the city ssure Senator Miller that the Cascade solicitor and engineer, with power to

ng of competition. All that his com- . A communication from Messrs. Symonds & Cocker asked for certain privileges in connection with a buildess by another company coming in and ing they intend putting up, adjoining Weiler Bros.' property on Gordon

street. Referred to city engineer for report. The secretary of the Victoria Farmers' Institute wrote asking the use

o 700 tons of ore a day. If his com- a room in the city hall for monthly Ald. Stewart suggested that the farmers be asked to engage one of the

rooms in the city market building. had been found that it was impossible The suggestion was adopted. being put up on the understanding It was proposed that the list be re-

The clerk proceeded to read some. outfit and would represent 2,700 horse- The petitions were from residents of ower. At present the company used North Chatham street, Lewis street, Pandora avenue, Pandora street, Belrom the Cascade company. Part of mont avenue, Michigan street, Wash-

ing for street improvements and lights. The Cascade company was not al- After many minutes reading the communications were referred to the pply of power. In January and streets, sewers and bridges commitebruary of last year this was not re- tee, and the electric light committee

A letter was read from the city soompany for this. There was a short- licitor setting forth that a conference ige of water in the Kettle river which | had been had with Mr. Cameron, M. ounted for this. The shortage P. P., with reference to the Municipal orced the company to stop operations | Clauses Act, and amendments pro-

Ald. Yates moved that the matter hird the cost of that by steam. To be referred to the delegates to the

perate the plant by steam would be municipal council league. Ald. Fell moved that the proposed amendments be discussed by the coun- ogation by newspapers of false rumors with the Cascade company he was not | cil. It was practically proposed to | against the government, individual

The clerk proceeded to read the bill. Ald. Fell asked for an expression of ment and fines not exceeding \$150. In opinion on the principle-manhood the event of such rumors causing an

Ald. Fullerton contended that the bill ances among the troops the penalty pany would not put in the line, but was bringing matters back to the old standing, before militiamen and others | imprisonment. hould do so, and then retain the cost | were excluded. He was a believer in with interest in paying for the supply manhood suffrage and hoped that the

-A long list of witnesses in the inunprecedented action by a power com-pany.

According to Ald. Stewart, any wo-pany.

King Edward. According to Ald. Stewart, any wo- encia appears on the register of the attention, during that time.

People stopping at hotels, for instance and who could clear out at any mo-

Ald. Fell favored women's suffrage arguing that women with property FIREMAN'S TESTIMONY qualification should have the same AT VALENCIA INQUIRY

Ald. Goodacre said that this was the Freight Clerk and Two of Passengers Also Gave Evidence Yesterday Alternoon.

> (From Tuesday's Daily.) When the Valencia inquiry was re-

sumed yesterday afternoon the exam-Ald. Hall argued that if women were ination of John McCaffery, one of the to have the same privileges as men they should hold themselves equally passengers on the wrecked steamer, was continued. able length, the difficulty being that

Cross-examined by J. H. Lawson, jr., counsel for the P. C. S. S. Co., witness not understanding the question as in- said he was seasick on the way from San Francisco and was ailing at the Ald. Fell: Who is paying the taxes time the Valencia struck. He was a on the Vernon hotel to-day—the man second class passenger. Five minutes Here again a long discussion ensued into which an element of socialism was launched.

When he came on deck it was pretty Ald. Fell took several objections to well crowded and the night was dark. proposed amendments to the bill. For No. 1 boat was swinging well out when attempting to keep the steam up. He instance, a trustee could only vote on his own lot, although he might repre- how she was manned, how many got part of the vessel. Just then someone sent several thousand dollars worth of property. He suggested that power to her put over the side, vote be given to a trustee of real es-

tate, as representative of same. This was agreed to. He also moved that counsel.

fication for voting. This was also Ald. Fell asked for an expression of ing to get in as he didn't know what to stand by until "he got some wo-pinion as to whether one or all parties to do, no orders having been issued," men aboard." He recollected that he to a partnership should be entitled to witness replied.

Counsel, questioning him further, the majority declined, not one woman asked whether he saw No. 3 boat agreeing to take places on her. There sion, which resulted in favor of a vote launched. Witness replied in the nega- were only two on board that he knew, for partnerships not exceeding three. tive. He had, however, seen No. 1 namely, Hancock and Connors. get away and there was only one The city solicitor asked authority to ering. In his opinion more than one safe as if ashore. But when it was

vidence taken in court in the Fsquioperation. malt Waterworks case. This would cover the official strenographer's fees. thing beyond the tossing of lines over- disappointment. In his opinion help The application was laid on the board was done to help those who were could have been accorded by the Queen A "humble petition" was read from He aided in doing that and knew of they were equipped. the Local Council of Women asking none that escaped. On the other side for a variety of improvements in the of the ship a heavy man, about 200 first to the starboard side upon coming cause of humanity, including an hos- pounds weight, had been washed overpital for tuberculosis, the old naval board, and told of his having been car- along to his boat, which was on the ried back again to the deck. Witness reiterated his statement that

there was a panic prevailing when he arrived on deck. The members of the

Seemed to Be Running About passengers.

her after he had taken his place. It pounding well. would have been possible for some of the ladies had the ladies had the ladies had the ladies had the ladies approximately ing in blocking the windows of the vessel. This he considered fast time washing in upon the women. employed about the library, which

under the circumstances. in confusion.

the extra appointment, and the report was allowed to stand over until next The Mayor called the attention of the cial auditor was looking over the books

good policy to establish the precedent well. There were a great many new of the corporation. He explained that of allowing a ship's officer to be called, men among the crew of the Valencia immediately after a passenger's exam- on the fatal trip. This was true in ination in order to make contradictory Mr. Halliwell represented was a well- statements.

known auditing firm, and it was sughe wished to emphasize was that evi- women could not have stood the exdence had been given to the effect that posure to which he was subjected cepting the offer, His Worship said he the captain had gone among the pas- while upon the raft. sengers and offered them a position on informed the finance committee of the proposition, and it was with their ap- the raft previous to its departure. As long as the commissioners were clear of George H. Jesse. He said he upon that point he wouldn't press his The explanation was accepted as

request. Capt. Cox said that he distinctly re-His Worship announced that there would be a special meeting to consider the estimates to-night (Tuesday), and made by previous witnesses.

submitted the following particulars as G. D. Harradin, one of the first class illustrating the progress (in expenses) passengers and an electrician by trade, between 1890 and the estimate for 1896. was next called. After the usual pre-1906. liminaries, in which he stated that he\$118,816 77 \$135,878 16 had seen one of the officers who seem-Municipal Council ... 5,030 00 5,030 00 ed pleased at the ship's progress pre-18,100 00 vious to the disaster, Capt. Gaudin 40,540 00 asked him to tell his story of the dis-

Cemetery 2,247 81 2,880 00 aster. 1,580 00 Witness said that shortly after the The city clerk announced the receipt of several petitions during the month. Police 1,916 62 3,520 00 ship struck he was sitting in the social hall with his mother when an officer 32,717 50 hall with his mother when an officer ion of the inquiry. 32,354 00 entered and requested the women to that the ore was richer than it was. It is the ore was richer than it was. It is the perition from the street Lighting 1,209 76 5,000 00 take places in the boats as it was an hour, Messrs. Lawson and Heathorn in the meantime proceeding to the City reported that the Valencia was lying anxious for the safety of the Queen. 800 00 mother to follow the advice and, after kissing her goodbye, she left and he 4,542 00 understood got away safely. He told her that he would stay with the ship. Bridges 46,844 00 47,330 00 While on deck he saw one of the small Miscellaneous 27,802 71 28,250 00 boats full of passengers carry away. 78,000 00

Lines Were Thrown Overboard Board of Health 11,582 86 16,544 00 and about five or six were clinging to\$382,079 65 \$469,640 66 them. No rope ladder was thrown over 2,807 the side to aid them.

School population 2,459 2,807 The latter being an increase of 14 per Witness got away on the second raft, sliding down to it by means of a rope. cent. in scholars and 100 per cent. for Somebody, he remembered, told the women it was their last chance to get The council adojurned at ten minutes away. There was no rush for it; in fact comparatively few seemed to be

anxious to get aboard. Questioned with regard to the boatswain's crew, he stated that they were sent away to take the line which had already been shot ashort.

To Mr. Lugrin witness said he did deck again. not see either the captain or first officer during the launching of the boats. No. case. He believed that if the ship's boats had been kept until that timetunity to get clear.

On Wednesday morning three steamhove in sight. The tugboat came within a cuarter of a mile of the vessel. vestigation into the wreck of the Val- in the rigging endeavoring to attract might be tested.

Asked for an opinion, witness said raft. He was one of the last to leave. sen. of the tug Czar, who repeated 2 o'clock this afternoon.

"made a better showing than she did." he If equipped with a gun she faight have fired a line aboard the wreck or from the force of the waves, and flying from the rigging. Queen, secured her rafts, and drifted water and got aboard the raft. them to the stranded vessel.

counsel. "The Queen didn't do anything that

I know of," replied witness. Answering Capt. Newcomb, witness thought that a boat or raft might have drifted to the wreck. "We would have contribute to the comfort of the pashad to take chances on that," added witness. He went on to say that a line might have been used to advantage in hauling the raft, boat or whatever float was utilized, to the Valen-

When he was picked up by the City managed to keep their positions. of Topeka he was pretty far gone," and couldn't tell what happened after that. senting the provincial government, witness said there was quite a little comment as time passed and the boat- It was more difficult to enter such a tile visit to the wreck the next day, swain's party was not heard from. surf than to get away. None of the rescue steamers, either by means of whistle, signals, guns, etc., attempted to communicate with the

To Mr. Lawson witness said that he water, and that it supported him well. the raft. W. Doherty, a fireman on the Vaafter putting on his life preserver he lencia, belonging to No. 6 boat, of reached deck. He saw two small boats which the first mate had charge. He worked for ten minutes

After the Ship Struck

he saw her, so that he didn't know saw the water rushing from the fore in or what orders were given to have came down and ordered them to get out as they couldn't do anything "How can you say that no officers more. He went on deck. The night appeared to have control?" asked was dark, there being a light fog and a heavy rain falling.

"Because the passengers were jump- During the launching of the rafts he ing into the boats in a disorderly man- was present and distinctly rememberner and one remarked that he was go- ed the captain ordering the first raft went among the passengers and that

When the steamers hove in sight alofficer engaged in assisting in the low- most all were sure that they were as pay a bill of \$103.80 for a copy of the was necessary to assist in such an seen that no effort was made to lower boats or any other atempt made to Witness was quite confident that no- | render assistance, there was general thrown from the boats into the water. or Salvor with the boats with which

> To Mr. Lugrin, witness said he went upon the deck. Afterwards he moved port side at the after end of the ves-

It was about 10 o'clock on Monday night that the "slow bell" was sounded. She made about four or five knots an hour under those conditions. When in just as excited a condition as the striking there was a 80-pound steam pressure. The order "full speed Speaking of the raft, witness said astern" brought it down to some ex-

He never saw the captain during the those aboard to have made way for launching of the boats, but on the first waters. half an hour for the raft to clear the saloon in order to prevent the water

In the judgment of witness the minion government, witness said there miles of the wreck. He knew she and seemed to be no one to go among the didn't get within a quarter of a mile. passengers and advise them what was The raft was submerged with about best to be done. All appeared to be three feet of water, the wash being well up to the waists of those aboard. Mr. Lawson asked permission to re- It was always under control, although call Quartermaster Tarpey in order to give evidence on some points mensight of the Queen and other steamers.

council to an article appearing in the Colonist, which set forth that an officonnection with the deck and almost all other departments.

Replying, Mr. Lawson said that all To Mr. Lawson, witness said that Asked regarding the passengers,

witness paid a tribute to the courage

Took a Prominent Part in all that was done aboard. Always membered the statement having been things as orderly and making was the same inducement. He simply things as orderly and comfortable as went out to extend any assistance in possible, he particularly attracted his his power.

Upon the retirement of Mr. Doherty the best means of proceedure.

employed on that vessel.

Upon resuming Frank Lehn, freight boats during drills held in rough that she had weather. During the trip up the usual winter weather was experienced.

she had deliberately jumped to the looked like pieces of canvas.

these columns.

Signals were flying and people were would be fitted up so that its safety the coast.

Felt the Woodwork Move

she could have gone back to the shouting to his friend, "Bill, I'm going to take a chance," he jumped into the "What did the Queen do?" asked witness said that if the boats had been This was the first intimation he re-

kept until the next morning they might ceived that there was such a possihave been of use. There was a possi- bility. As a result of this information bility that they would have been torn away during the night.

contribute to the comfort of the pas- the sengers. He did not know much about the fore deck officers. He supposed Upon suggestion witness dispatched they were attending to their duty. waist in water most of the time. There were life lines by which those aboard

Answering Capt. Gaudin witness said Replying to A. E. McPhillips, repre- of the steamers seen in the offing on better adapted to render help under Wednesday to render assistance from the circumstances than any of

told of a little lad about 8 years of age whom he had noticed aboard, and who appeared to be alone. It was said that Wednesday morning. He said the his mother and father lost him. He wore a life preserver while in the was on the boat when he jumped for To Capt. Newcomb witness said that

nobody died in the social hall on Tuesday. Such a statement was absolutely

Replying to Mr. McPhillips, he stated that the lyall gun was fired three times when the steamers forming the rescu fleet appeared in the offing. The report seemed loud. There were cheers when the boats were seen.

The searchlight was operated from the bridge, witness said in reply to a broken the hawser. In any event the query from Mr. Lawson. The commission then adjourned until

10 o'clock this morning. (rrom Tuesday's Daily.) Before the opening of the proceed-

jr., counsel for the P. C. S. S. Co., wanted the commissioners to definitely specify what witnesses were wanted. He pointed out that notice would have the coast. to be given in order that he might have an opportunity to secure those employed by the company,

names of the following: Capt. Cousins, Lorne found it of the steamer Queen; Capt. Patterson, who had charge of the City of Topeka on her trip up the coast; Capt. far into the surf. To illustrate the Manager Pierce, of the P. C. S. S. Co., the launching of a boat from the Salat Seattle, Wash. Mr. Lawson promised that these gentlemen would be broken away from the wrecked ship placed upon the stand as soon as pos- and drifted out to sea. sible.

witness called. He went to the scene on one of the rafts. He also mentionof the Valencia disaster upon his own ed the rescue of Frank Connors and tended him to take passage by the bodies. steamer Salvor, and he hesitated to go | Questioned by C. H. Lugrin, counsel by that vessel or on the tug Czar. for the Dominion government, witness that it would have been possible for tent. When he came above the ship Asked to describe the latter boat he described the location of the wreck as the captain to have gone among the listed heavily to port and afterwards said she was not what he would term at Shelter Bight, about ten miles east women and offered them positions on righted. The hull, he said, stood the an ocean-going tug. She was not fit- of Cape Beale. The entrance to the ted with any life-saving apparatus, straits he would call a line drawn bebeing utilized principally for inland tween Cape Flattery and Carmanah

ready to leave about 4 o'clock, and he exposed to the full sweep of the ocean. suggested that she leave immediately. The captain of the tug pointed out morning the Salvor reached the scene that by so doing he would arrive off of the wreck. It was sometime after To C. H. Lugrin, counsel for the Do- Czar did not come within four or five the coast some time during the night, 9 o'clock. The report of the Czar was

to extend any help under such conditions. He then ordered that she leave Valencia. at about 6 o'clock, and he believed that instruction had been followed. In answer to Capt. Gaudin witness Questioned by Mr. McPhillips, wit-from Port Townsend, Bellingham, said that help could have been sent Seattle, Vancouver and other points on

severe weather. In that period an ordinary 10-knot boat could have reached that part of the West Coast from any of the places mentioned. In his opinion an equal opportunity was as to what course should have been set presented shipping men in all cities in judging from the reported record of the northern part of the coast. There

attention. Mr. Jesse, witness said, In response to a request from Capt. made no effort to get aboard the raft. Gaudin witness gave a detailed account of the Salvor's trip down the coast. He general discussion took place as to told of reaching Flattery some time steadiness of the ship made it difficult during the night, and turning back to Mr. Lawson again expressed his wil- the Straits for a shelter until morning. lingness to call Capt. Cousins, of the At daybreak another start had been steamer Queen. He stated that it was made for the wreck, and a stop was his desire to defer the examination of made at Carmanah in order to ascer-Capt. Patterson and Manager Pearce, tain the scene of the disaster. While of the P. C. S. S. Co., until the conclus- there endeavoring to exchange signals with Lighthousekeeper Dakyin An adjournment was then taken for Czar, which had been speaking the

of Topeka in order to secure a witness somewhere in the neighborhood of the City. Seabird islands. At this the three vessels proceeded towards that point, the he made no inquiries as to what apclerk of the steamer Valencia, stated Queen leading with the Czar and pliances there were aboard for lifehe made two trips on that ship. His Salvor following in the order mention- saving. He did not hear of any offer boat was No. 5 on the starboard side. ed. The Queen, however, went in to- of service from His Majesty's vessel It was not customary to launch the wards the coast, and soon it was seen then in port. It was impossible for

Located the Wreck.

He knew nothing relating to the The Czar then went in and coming out navigation of the vessel on the fatal approached the steamer Salvor, and he life on the Valencia when the tug first voyage. After the ship struck witness communicated with Capt. Christensen. reported to the purser, it being his Taking the megaphone he asked: duty to do so in case of trouble of that "What did you see?" At this the capkind. He believed that he saw, J. J. tain pointed out the position of the protection from a gale at that point. O'Farrell, the purser, enter his boat, hulk. "Are you sure there are no Capt. Troup said that it was a we'll which was situated upon the port side. signs of life aboard?" Capt. Troup known fact that there was no good It was difficult to persuade the women then queried. To this Capt. Christento enter the small boats. He himself sen replied that all he could see was There was a possible shelter at Pachput one elderly woman in a boat, and something flying from the masts, which

Capt. Troup continuing, emphasized Upon the request of Commissioner the fact that the Salvor never entered Gaudin witness proceeded to tell his into communication with the Queen. with the rescue party, got away on story in detail, giving much the same He also laid stress upon the statement ary winter gale. Tuesday morning with comparative account as has already appeared in that no person thought there could be they would have had a better oppor- women, in which they discussed what entered anyone's mind as far as he as at Clo-oose and Carmanah. Even would be done when the boatswain's knew. It was thought, however, that at these places, however, boats could party reached the shore and secured there might be many both dead and not live in heavy weather. ers, the Queen, the Czar and another the line. The women said that they alive along the shore, and that the In answer to Mr. Lawson, witness would prefer to see some of the men best thing to be done would be to pro- said that the boatswain's crew, in his hoisted ashore in the conveyance that ceed to Bamfield and send help along opinion, penetrated the surf at the

Upon arriving at that place witness the disaster. Witness got away on the second had conversation with Capt. Christen- The commission then adjourned until

he believed the Czar might have While watching it from the upper deck what he had said after coming back from the wreck. All he could see was what appeared to be pieces of canvas

> Pilot Campbell, who was aboard the tug, expressed the opinion that there Answering Commissioner Gaudin might be life on the stranded vessel. a conference was held between those Witness commended the steward and on the Salvor, and it was agreed that

> > Heavy Sea Prevailing.

the Czar for the whaling boat Orion While upon the raft he was up to his in order that the latter might join the rescue fleet for the scene in order to endeavor to render assistance should the sea moderate sufficiently to make such a thing possible. It was the he didn't think it was possible for any unanimous opinion that the Orion was the sea. The breakers were too heavy. other vessels. Witness told of the fuand of the dispatch of a rescue party Questioned by Mr. Lugrin, witness to Darling river on Friday.

Questioned by Capt. Gaudin, witness described the wreck as he saw it combers seemed to be breaking some distance outside the vessel, and that they appeared to be making a clean sweep of the hull. The surf even looked to be surging back from the cliffs, dashing forty feet high with the force of the impact.

Capt. Troup questioned the possibility of any ship getting close enough to pass a line to the Valencia. Allowing that such a thing was done, he contended that the tossing of the vessel would either have snapped the mast in the Valencia or the rescuing vessel, or people placed in the "Breeches Buoy would have been drowned as dragged through the water. As for the feasibility of drifting a raft from the windward to the wreck, Capt. Troup stated ings of the inquiry into the Valencia that the current would have rendered disaster this morning J. H. Lawson, such an effort futile. The fact, he said, that a raft was found upon Turrett Island in Barclay Sound showed the strength of the current along

Answering further questions, witness told of the comparative smoothness of the sea on Thursday, pointing out Replying Capt. Gaudin mentioned the that, despite this, the boat from the

Difficult to Proceed

Wallace, of San Francisco, Cal., and condition of the sea outside he told of vor to investigate a spar which had

Replying to Capt. Gaudin, witness James William Troup, general superintendent of the British Columbia coast Friday to pick up a number of survivservice of the C. P. R., was the first ors who had drifted to Turrett Island volition. An invitation had been ex- of the discovery of the raft with three

The wreck therefore was 131/2 miles The Czar, Capt. Troup said, was outside the straits. It was at a point He couldn't tell what time in the what influenced the decision to proceed to Bamfield. All the conditions led to the belief that it was too late to extend any help to those then on the steamer

Asked regarding the currents prevailing on the West Coast, Capt. Troup said all coast shipping men knew that a strong westerly current prevailed, being particularly pro the lower Mainland and the Sound as heavy southerly winds. As a navigawell as from Victoria. Explaining ant that it should be recognized by all the time the Salvor left Victoria until navigators. He didn't think the current was as strong during the summer there was a lapse of eight hours. The months as in the winter. But it was delay was caused by the darkness and an element that should always be figured upon and, he thought, should be subjected to a thorough investigation. He was not familiar with navigation south of Capt Flattery. Witness did not feel inclined to express an opinion the Valencia's log. In his opinion the Salvor was two or three miles from the wreck on Wednesday morning. The Queen, he thought, went within a mile. He added, however, that this was more or less a guess. The Czar had gone in closer. The driving rain and the un-

to locate the Valencia. A. E. McPhillips, counsel for the provincial government, asked when witness first heard of the wreck. Replying, Capt. Troup said he had

No Word of the Identity

Monday afternoon. There was then

When boarding the steamer Salvor him to say whether Capt. Christensen was equipped with a good marine glass when off the wreck. He never heard anyone aboard the Czar say there was reported to the Salvor.

Questioned with reference to Shelter bight and the possibilities of securing harbor from San Juan to Bamfield. ena bay, but it didn't amount to much. Capt. Gaudin wanted to know the

possibility of landing upon any beach on the water front of the Pacific from San Juan to Cape Scott in an ordin-Capt. Troup did not think it was a

these columns.

He told of a conversation with the being anyone in the rigging had never was possible in sheltered spots, such

nearest feasible spot from the scene of

ADS. Leonhardt's Pile cure) a small town that was conalthough this the demand ardt, of Lin-

to prepare it is being sent Piles. There each box. olute guaran-

sts, or by The ed, Niagara