Captain's Wife Says Husband Tried To Save Empress By Keeping Storstad's Forepart In Great Aperature

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Beale was a member. Post cards were also received from Mr. Beale by J. Booth,

echoes from the dead, the writer having been drowned before the cards and letter

His Wife Says He at First Thought Empress Was Unhurt

-Later Did All In His Power to Rescue.

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The cards and letter will be treasured by their owners, for they are really

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Each Seems To Hold His Own Boat Free From Blame, While Collier's Goes So Far as To Say Kendall Lies.

PASSENGERS BLAME STORSTAD

[Canadian Press.]

were busy this morning digesting the lowered immediately after the collision,

away, though requested to forge ahead and block hole in Empress' side. After ing always being picked up first. on, when asked to come alongside, Storstad kept moving away. Passengers rescued: for most part, by Empress of Ireland's own boats, after clinging to wreckage. Saw two of Storstad's boats, but they had only two or three survivors in each. As a seaman, Storstad's captain should not have needed to be told what should not have needed to be told what

Andersen Says. Capt. Andersen: "Vessels were in full view when great distance from each other. Storstad had right of way. When collision came Storstad's engines were reversed. After collision Storstad did not had been brought aboard the Storstad back away; it forged ahead to keep gap after being picked up in the few boats closed and keep out water. It was the the collier had aboard everything pos-Empress that changed position. Storstad sible had been done for them. Capaid utmost to save all, giving up all its tain Andersen and his wife had surboats when in crippled and dangerous rendered every bit of clothing they condition itself. When vessels first hove possessed to protect the survivors from of the Davies Company East End store, and Mrs. R. S. Morrison, who was one of into view of each other, it was clear; fog the cold. They had torn a table cloth settled and Empress changed position. in two with which to improvise gar-After collision it was Empress which mov- ments. ed away, drawn by its headway."

Reserving Judgment. city are respecting the request of the owners of the Storstad that no blame be visited upon the commanders of the two vessels until an impartial tribunal has heard the evidence ca both sides. Survivors, however, are freely criticising the

the wreck inquiry, which will be conduct- aft of that she is not damaged. After ed by a joint commission composed of we left Quebec we flooded her aft com-Canadian and British shipping experts. partments in order to keep her head The arrangements were in the hands of up. There is no water in her hold, and Capt. Lindsay, Dominion wreck commis- sue stayed on an even keel throughout sioner, who will decide where the session | the trip. will be held-in Montreal or Quebec.

Anchor Dld Damage. Probably most of the damage to the by the anchor of the Storstad. This judging by its position in the twisted steel of her prow, was forced back when the collision took place. One of its points sticks out like a great tooth, which could be capable of ripping the liner like a battering ram.

warned not to do so, it was gathered that

SENATOR IS SAID TO

Senator Thomas Coffey was reported

a moment before the impact the engine statements of Capt. Kendall, of the lost liner Empress of Ireland, and Capt.

Andersen, of the collier Storstad, which rammed her. In brief, the contentions of the two are as follows:

One of the lost which made their way to the scene of the wreck and picked up as many living as could be held by the little craft. They were all loaded down to their utmost capacity, and only very careful hand-

tell a few things about the trip up. in such an emergency, after colli- Captain Andersen, his wife—who was aboard at the time of the collisionand the members of the crew were feeling extremely sorry about the accident,

"As far as we could ascertain from an examination on board the ship had Preparations were begun here today for some twenty plates sprung forward, but

side of the Empress of Ireland was done crying. He is very much broken up over it, and was very, very sorry,

While none of the men aboard the talk. He told me he had managed to Storstad will give extended narratives of pick up 340 people from the Empress, because they have been and had done everything in his power (Continued on Page Three.)

Montreal, June 1.-Marine authorities room of the Storstad was ordered to go

capacity, and only very careful hand-Capt. Kendall: "Empress was stationary when Storstad rammed her, Storstad ling prevented them from overturning.

Beaming ahead. Storstad then backed the backed storstad the live to and from the Storstad the live.

Pliot's Statement.

the pilot explained. When the survivors of the Cap-

"The Storstad steered surprising well Lord Strathcona we had little difficulty

"Captain Andersen has taken the tragedy much to heart. Several times on our way up here I have found him "Did Captain Andersen tell you any-

"No, he would say nothing about it He says he was under orders not to

LOOK FOR BODIES

Harry Cassell, of Woodstock, ed, Not Being in Party. Hopes to Claim Remains of

George Bolton.

The bodies of 15 of the victims will Wife Remains in London, While arrive in Toronto this evening. Husband Goes on Sad Mission.

Adjutant Hannigan, Mrs. Brigadier Hun-Among the Empress of Ireland disaster Among the Empress of Ireland disaster ter, of India; Miss Jessie Green, Miss victims were Sergt. George Bolton, 14r- Dolly Brooks, Major Simeoe, of Vanmerly of the Tenth Hussars, Canter- couver; Mrs. Staff-Captain Morris, Bribury. England, his wife and two children, of Toronto. Mr. Bolton is a half-brother of Harry Cassell, of Woodstock.

The bodies of Adjutant Debow gadier Potter, Mrs. Adjutant Green, The bodies of Adjutant Debow and his wife are being sent to St. John, N. law of Mrs. Way, 32 Brockside

191 IN THE WRECK

-- Captain Florence Easton Not Among Lost as Report-

OF HIS RELATIVES Fifteen Bodies Arriving Today

Col. and Mrs. Maidment, Major Findlay, Bandsman Charles Wilks, of Moose Jaw

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, June 1.—The death toll of this city in the loss of the Empress of Ireand is 191; those saved number 34. A list of steerage passengers published today added 45 more names to the Toronto and said he thought the Empress was

They are: Mrs. Commissioner Rees,

Mr. Cassell came to London this morn. B., and will not be brought here. Cap-Mr. Cassell came to London this mornirg and secured from here transportatron to Quebec in the hope of recovering
the bodies of his brother and family.

Mr. Bolton spent last winter in Florida,
health having been poor for a long
the bodies of his intended visit to Brownthe wired from Florida to Mr.

Self of his intended visit to Brownthe brought here. Captain Florence Easton was not among the
bary. Last night in the church she attended reference was made to her death,
and her mother had received many telegrams of sympathy.

thing about how the collision happened?" Nault was asked.

story to the reporters today. She apologized for receiving them in a blue cotton dress and explained that she send out all the lifeboats and

[Canadian Press.]

the last to say good-bye to Beale.

started on their way to London

vivors. She said that the captain was the vessels had collided. called from his bed by the mate because

Mrs. Andersen said her husband called deck, and while she was dressing the collision took place. Continuing, Mrs.

"I said to myself something has happened and ran up to the bridge, where Capt. Andersen was. Everything was dark and quiet. There was no excitement among the crew, and I was cool. I stayed on the bridge and I asked Capt. Anderson Are we going to sink, and he answered:

"I couldn't cry," said Mrs. Andersen, "although I felt like it. I said to myself my place is here and I will die with my

Tried to Keep in Hole "Captain Andersen told me he was tryng to keep the Storstad in the hole and that if the other liner had not been speeding they would have stopped together for

a time at least. My husband ordered two of the officers to go to the bow and see if any water was pouring in. Heard Screams. "Again I asked him if we were going down and he answered 'I can't tell yet,'

all right. I think it was five minutes later that I heard screams and cries and I shouted to my husband, 'Oh, they

INVESTIGATION SET FOR JUNE THE NINTH [Canadian Press.]

Montreal. June 1.—It was announced at the offices of the Canadian Pacific Railway here today that the official Government investigation into the causes of the ramming and sinking of the Empress of Ireland by the collier Storstad would be held in Quebec on June 9.

The board to conduct the investigation will be composed of two judges of the will be composed of two judges of the Canadian admiralty court, to be appointed by the Dominion and one representative of the British admiralty, appointed by the Imperial

seed of his intended visit to Brown-lent County, England, where two brothers, their mother and one reside, but did not visit his reside, but did not visit his reside. But did not visit his reside and reside an On Road to City Church union will also be a matter of tion, but generally fine and n keen discussion and resolutions will likely warm today and on Tuesday.

Remains of Victim Will Arrive in City Tonight, term limit from four to eight years. A Accompanied by Son Who Went To Search.

The body of the first London victim of the Empress of Ireland disaster will arrive in the city this evening. It is that of Mrs. E. Cotterill, 131 Tecumsan avenue, the only one of the 21 Londoners of the content of th

are calling.' At first it seemed as if Montreal, June 1 .- Mrs. Andersen, wife it was coming from shore. The captain of the captain of the Storstad, gave her gave orders to go in the direction of the cries and proceeded very slowly. Everywhere around me I could now hear screams. My husband gave orders to had given all her other clothes to the sur- could not have been ten minutes after

"I gave all I had to the passengers, and have only what I am standing up in. My husband gave two suits and other clothes

"The first lady to come on board was Salvation Army girl in her nightdress and a pair of corsets. When she was brought into the cabin she ran to me, and, put ting her arms around my neck, she said 'God bless you. Angel! If you had not been here we would have gone to the

Carried Stimulants. After the passengers were all on board Mrs. Andersen ministered to them. In one arm she carried two bottles of whisky and a bottle of Benedictine wine, while n the other she had carried an urn of coffee, milk and sugar. One of the stewards, a Swede, helped Mrs. Andersen All the rooms were packed with shivering passengers, clad only in scanty night attire in many cases. So helpless were the majority of those rescued, that she had to pull the clothes off the women and put others on.

Helen Faulkner, of this city, has been Identified among the dead at Quebec.

EXTEND TERM FOR PASTORS TO 8 YEARS

London Conference Likely To Be Asked for Legislation to Change System.

London Methodist Conference which meets at Sarnia on Thursday will be the election of delegates to attend the quadrennial general conference to meet

be passed on to the general conference asking for an extention of the pastoral ministerial preliminary session of the London conference at Sarnia will be held

> ENGLISHMAN DROWNED. [Canadian Press.]

BIG STEEL COMPANY WILL LOCATE ITS PLANT HERE, EMPLOYING 100 HANDS

of Dead Is 969

MONTREAL, May 31.-It is impossible still to make a final estimate o the number of people saved or drowned in the wreck of the Empress of Ireland. So far as the lists furnished by the C.P.R. in Montreal go it would seem that the total loss of life is 969. Following is the count, based on the latest C.P.R. lists:

First cabin passengers carried.... First cabin passengers saved..... First cabin passengers lost...... Second and third-class carried... Second and third-class saved..... second and third-class lost Crew carried..... Crew saved.....

Reproduction of letter written by Edward Beale, the young manager of William Davies, who went down on the Empress of Ireland, on board the boat and posted from Father Point. It was received by D. H. Gillies, 664 King street, this morning. Mr. Gillies was teacher of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church, of which

Government Wants More Than One Commissioner on Disaster Inquiry.

WILFRID AGREES

British Expert on the Way to Represent His Government -Investigate Report.

[Special to the Advertiser.] Ottawa, Ont., June 1.-Both houses of parliament were in session this morning, racing for prorogation which may come under the Canada Shipping Act by Royal Commission for the investigation of the city. You seem to have the right spirit." sinking of the Empress of Ireland. Present legislation is not regarded as sufficiently broad to provide an investigating authority to cope with a casualty of this nagnitude. The present act allows the Government to appoint but one commissioner for a shipping casualty, while the new act provides for the appointment of two or more, one of whom may be nominated by the British Government.

Hon. Mr. Hazen, in explaining his bill, said that although the Empress of Ire land was of British register, as the disaster occurred in Canadian waters there was no doubt it came under Canadian He said the British board of trade had

already dispatched George Vaux to rep resent it upon the inquiry. Sir Wilfrid Laurier approved of the measure and promised to expedite its passage. He said, "The presence of a London, in the opinion of Mr. Chartrand. British expert upon the board will add prestige to the inquiry. All are agreed that the knowledge and experience of the British shipping men are of the highest

character. Prentier Borden announced that he had eceived a request from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy for a most searching in vestigation into the disaster. It is ex-(Continued on Page Eleven.)

THE WEATHER. AN! NOBODY GIMME



TEMPERATURES The following wer highest lowest temperatures recorded in Londor during the 24 hours The official tem-

TOMORROW-FINE AND WARM. Toronto, Jun Forecasts.

Moderate winds; a few scattered hunderstorms in the southwestern portion, but generally fine and moderately Temperatures.
The following were the

lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Stations High. Low. Weather. Victoria Clear Clear Clear Clear Cloudy Cloudy Cloudy Cloudy Clear Toronto Ottawa

Latest Estimate Accepts Argyle Land Co.'s Offer of Fine 10-Acre Site in East London.

THE ONLY ONE IN CANADA

Crucible Metals Company Is New Departure For This Country.

PRAISE FOR COMMISSIONER

President of Company Has Kind Words For Gordon Philip.

London is to be the home of the Crucible Metals Company of

Today the president and one of the directors accepted an offer of a ten-acre site from the Argyle Land Company. The generosity of this land company, together with the activity of Gordon Philp, industrial commissioner, are given as the reasons

for the company's decision to locate in this city. The Argyle Land Company gives the site from a portion of the Clarke farm, immediately adjoining Argyle Park, and the company secures direct connection with the C. P. R., and is within

a short distance of the Grand Trunk. The company will be the only one of its kind in Canada. The president is a metallurgical engineer, who has been connected with most of the big companies working in steel in Canada. He an! other practical steel men have seen the opportunity for some time, and had long since decided to launch a big company. This morning they came to the city, and after being driven to the property, decided that it was an ideal site for their plant and d locate upon it. The company will have a capital stock of \$500,000 and \$100.000 in gold bonds.

BEST PLACE IN CANADA. "We have come to the conclusion that London is the best place in Canada for the location of an industry like ours," said the president, in announcing his intention. "You have a wonderful diversity of industries, all of which are purchasers of crucible steel products. We were impressed with the beauty of the city. and the generally attractive conditions. Your labor market is good and you have splendid railway connections. Then, you have with the close of this week, but is certain a good industrial commissioner. He has put the case of London before next week is over. In the Com- before us in such a manner as to make it impossible for us to mons the Government took prompt action refuse to come here. The Argyle Land Company certainly showed to provide for a searching inquiry into is the way big cities are built up, and I very much mistake the Father Point in the St. Lawrence. It is Signs if London is not due to become an enormous city. You have a special bill to provide the authority the finest diversity of industries that I have ever seen in a single

He further stated that there would be no difficulty in the securing of raw material. The company has gone into the matter board of the character and with the thoroughly. The expectation was that 100 men would be employed

at the start, probably more. "All our hands will be high-class steel and brass moulders," said the president. "There will be a large expert staff of chemists and the executive staff will be chosen from among the best in the

CONSTRUCTION STARTS IMMEDIATELY. Work on the erection of the building will proceed as soon as the company is given its charter, which has been applied for. The

financing of the company is now under way. Mr. Chartrand, of the Argyle Land Company, stated that his company had given the site to the industry because it wanted to advance the city. This concern will be one of the greatest in

Actor's Body Found on Shore of St. Lawrence Is Identified by Ring.

[Canadian Press.] Quebec, June 1 .- The corpse of Law-

rence Irving, the actor, was picked up on the west shore of the St. Lawo'clock last night: rence below Rimouski last evening, and Highest, 79; lowest information was given to the officials here this morning. His face was badperatures for the 12 ly bruised and hardly recognizable, hours previous to 8 but on his finger was a signet ring a.m. today were: with the initials "L.I." He had a piece Highest, 74; lowest, of a woman's nightdress in his dead Highest, 67; lowest, grip and it was evidently Mrs. Irving's, because when last seen alive, the distinguished actor was making a desperate effort to save her life. It was thought that in his brave efforts to save her life he lost his own. A few bodies have been taken straight from Rimouski to Montreal. The body of Leonard Palmer, the English journalist, was identified to-

SUNDAY SPRINKLING

Board of Control Recommends to Counci That It Be Made Permanent

Subway Question Goes to Council.-The report of the council's special committee on subways will go to the council tonight trol on all recommendations except the one providing for an estimate on a 66foot subway on Ridout street. The board recommends that the Ridout subway be reduced several feet.

LONDON S. A. OFFICER WHO WAS REPORTED AS BEING AMONG LOST



ENSIGN MARTIN, of local headquarters staff, for whose safety grave fears were expressed when the first news of the sinking of the Empress of Ireland reached London. He had booked passage on the illfated boat but at the last moment