

The French str. *Pro Patria* is being repaired at Dartmouth, N.S. About 20 new plates will be required in her hull, and her engines require a thorough overhaul.

Capt. J. Kean has been appointed master of the str. *Mary Hough*, which has been placed on the Western coastal service of Newfoundland by Bowring Bros., of St. John's.

The Cape Breton Electric Co.'s ferry str. *Peerless* was given a complete overhaul and was redecorated before being placed in service between Sydney and North Sydney this season.

The act providing for the confirmation of the contract with Bowring Bros. for the provision of a new coastal steamship service was passed at the recent session of the Newfoundland Legislature.

The Bras d'Or Steamboat Co.'s steamers *Marion* and *Weymouth* have been overhauled and their accommodation re-arranged and improved during the winter. The *Weymouth* has been fitted for electric light.

D. J. Stevens, of the Dominion Government Steamship service, has been awarded a prize of \$25, given by a U.S. magazine for answers to questions given in a series of articles entitled "Pointers for Engineers."

The str. *Lunenburg* has been placed on a route between Charlottetown, P.E.I., and North Sydney, N.S., calling en route at Pictou, Port Hood, Inverness, Margaree, Grand Etang, Eastern Harbor, Pleasant Bay and North Sydney.

The Tidal Survey section of the Department of Marine has issued a pamphlet on the currents on the south-eastern coasts of Newfoundland, and the amount of indraught into the larger bays on the south coast, based upon the investigations made during the season of 1903.

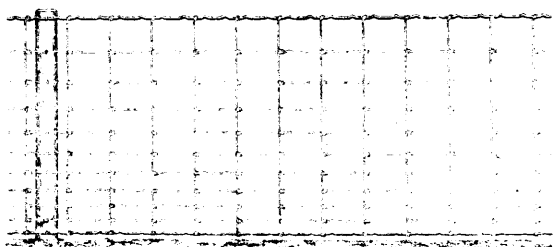
An arrangement has been completed with the Richmond Steamship Co. by which its str. *Vega* will make two trips a week between Marble Mountain and Mulgrave, calling en route at Irish Cove, St. Peter's, Paulsmond and D'Escoeur; and four trips a week between Marble Mountain and Grand Narrows, N.S.

The str. *Turret Bay*, under charter to the Dominion Coal Co., while on a trip from Sydney, N.S., to Montreal struck on St. Paul Island, N.S., May 20, during a fog, and sank in deep water. Five of the crew died before reaching shore. The *Turret Bay* was owned by the Canadian Lake and Ocean Navigation Co.

The str. *Garnet* is reported purchased by the Plant Line for a run between Port Hawkesbury and Sydney, N.S., via the Bras d'Or Lakes. The *Garnet* was built at Valleyfield, Que., in 1885, and is a paddle-wheel steamer having the following dimensions: length, 124.7 ft.; breadth, 21.6 ft.; depth, 7.1 ft.; tonnage—gross, 152 tons; regular, 96 tons. She was owned in Cornwall, Ont., and hitherto ran between that port and Montreal.

A report is current in St. John, N.B., that the C.P.R. is considering plans for the erec-

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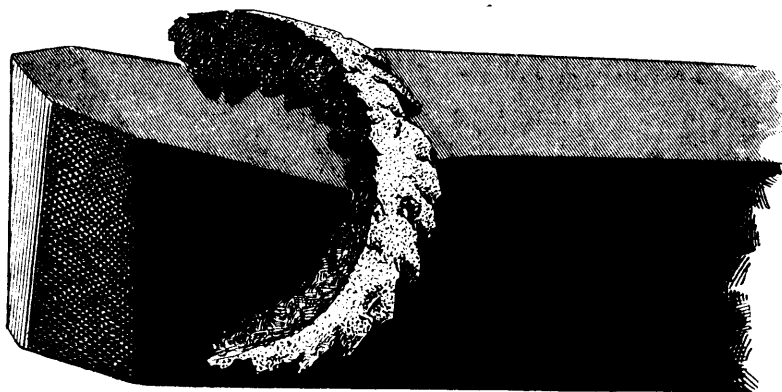
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