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TWO WRECKS IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

White Star Liner and Elder Dempster Steamer Run Ashore—The Passengers and Crews Saved.

London, March 18.—The White Star liner steamer *Suevic*, howard bound from Sydney, N. S. W. by way of Capetown, with nearly 600 passengers and crew on board, struck the Brandis rock close under the Lizard lighthouse, about 10.30 last night, and will probably be a total wreck.

Lifeboats and tugs from the Lizard and Falmouth soon reached the scene, and together, with the *Suevic's* own boats, commenced landing the passengers.

The women and children were first sent ashore. There were no fewer than 160 children on board, many of them being babies in arms, whom the local fishermen and their wives lifted out of the boats and carried through the surf to nearby cottages.

A fresh sea and fog hampered early land operations, but the fog lifted about seven in the morning and boats

WILL SAIL FOR ORIENT TO-MORROW

DIGNITARIES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Japanese Missions to be Elevated Into a Self-Governing Organization.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Rev. Dr. Albert Carman, general superintendent, and Rev. Dr. Sutherland, general secretary of missions for the Methodist church, arrived in Vancouver on Saturday, and will sail for Japan on the *Empress of India* to-morrow. After a stay there of two or three weeks, they will proceed to Shanghai to attend a centenary missionary conference and to meet a number of the missionaries of the Canadian Methodist church working in Western China.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR VICTORIA

Wood Products Company to Erect Plant Near This City—Trial Run To-day Witnessed By Many.

(From Monday's Daily.)

There has been references made in the Times for some time relative to the probable location in the city of a plant for the extraction from fir wood of turpentine and various other by-products which may be turned to commercial use. For nearly two years there has been a small plant in place on Store street, near Spratt's wharf, where experiments have been carried on almost incessantly.

R. N. Calkins, a mechanical engineer, has been most persistent in his efforts to perfect the system and get the best results. He has been assisted by C. Ross and others, and nothing has been spared either in the small factory or in the laboratory to get the fullest results from the treatment of the wood.

COUNCIL WERE AT A DEADLOCK

MOVEMENT TO OPPOSE PROPERTY OWNERS

Section of the Aldermen Were Stamped By it—The Mayor Indignant.

(From Monday's Daily.)

A communication from F. Andrews, signed on behalf of a committee appointed at a meeting of representative citizens in the W. C. T. U. Saturday afternoon, caused a good deal of timely discussion at the city council meeting Saturday evening.

His Worship stated that the meeting had been called to arrange for concerted action in opposition to the Property Owners' Association's endeavor to disfranchise female voters. The letter in question read as follows:

"On behalf of a committee appointed at a meeting of representative citizens held this day, I am directed to call your attention to the action of the Victoria Property Owners' Association in attempting to secure amendments to the Election Act, which will have the effect of removing or further restricting the franchise.

"This committee, on behalf of the aforementioned citizens, emphatically protests against the proposed action of the Property Owners' Association, and respectfully requests that your honorable body take such action as will stamp with disapproval this attempt at retrograde legislation as well as to assist in securing for all our citizens the full right of adult suffrage in civic elections.

"And we would further respectfully request that a committee of three, consisting of His Worship the Mayor and two aldermen be appointed to act with our committee in interviewing the authorities upon this matter.

"(Signed) F. ANDREWS."

Despite the importance of the subject several of the aldermen objected, on the ground that no notice of the proposal had been given. Ald. Henderson and Ald. Vincent expressed considerable surprise that such a meeting had been held. They evidently had not seen Saturday's Times.

The Mayor and Ald. Hall were, however, better informed. The meeting was open and above board, which was more than could be said of the Property Owners' Association. There would be a public meeting Friday night in the council chambers to discuss the question. If, as was asked, a committee were appointed, it would only keep things as they were.

Ald. Vincent and Ald. Henderson were, however, of a different opinion. They pleaded for delay. It was unwise to rush this thing through and antagonize a large section of the community. They did not know of the meeting. Where was it held and by whom called? In the absence of this information they favored waiting until after Friday night.

Ald. Hanna also favored delay, but he was not in favor of the proposed

INITIAL "AT HOME" OF ORGANIZATION

Y. W. C. A. Official Opening Took Place on Saturday Afternoon—Addressess From Ministers.

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The initial at home of the Y. W. C. A. was held on Saturday from 3 to 10 p. m. at their rooms, 20 Fort street. A large number of ladies who are interested in the work were in attendance during the afternoon and evening, and a large number of prominent citizens were present. The action of the Property Owners' Association in seeking to disfranchise women was the subject of much discussion. The English language was not strong enough to express his contempt for those who were making this attempt.

The opposing aldermen, however, did not propose to be hurried.

His Worship here pointed out that three years ago, through the action of a section of the Property Owners' Association, a large number were disfranchised. All men over 50, as well as the soldiers in the city, were disqualified. All that was sought was to prevent a recurrence of this.

The opposing aldermen still refused to be convinced or hurried into hasty action.

Ald. Hall then moved that the letter be received and a committee appointed.

Ald. Verrinder, seconded by Ald. Ross, moved in amendment that it be laid on the table.

After much discussion Ald. Vincent rose to declare once more for a policy of neutrality. The council was there to represent all the people.

The Mayor sought to explain that they were not asked to do anything. The committee was only a sort of watchdog proposition to keep the Property Owners' Association at bay.

Ald. Vincent broke into the Mayor's explanation with "I think—"

"You've already spoken," said the Mayor.

"Well," deliberately responded the alderman, "I've got something to say and I'm going to say it. If we want to get a lot of money by-laws through, we had better antagonize any section of the community."

"If that's the policy that rules this council, I want to be out of it," retorted the Mayor.

At this a smile went round. Ald. Hanna again rose with a suggestion that they put it to the vote and get down to business.

The vote went five to five, with the result that both motion and amendment were lost.

Ald. Gleason, Meaton, Fullerton, Hall and the Mayor voted against the amendment, while Ald. Vincent, Hanna, Henderson, Verrinder and Ross voted in its favor. The vote and the motion stood the same, and so the whole question was lost.

Mrs. Evelyn Thaw Will Be Recalled

—Trial Will Not Conclude This Week.

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After that they return to Japan to attend an important conference to be held in Tokio. This has nothing less in view than the union of the three missions of the Methodist churches, which comes as a result of the demand made by the members of the three Japanese churches themselves. The Methodist, Episcopal church of the United States and the United States and the Methodist church of Canada have hitherto all had missions there, and it is proposed to unite the three and to elevate them into a self-governing church.

Dr. Sutherland, in discussing the situation in Japan, and the reason for his going thither at the present juncture, said recently:

Rev. Mr. Dean expressed his sympathy, and hoped the citizens would support the work in such a way as to enable the committee to secure the adjoining room for a gymnasium.

Dr. Campbell expressed the opinion that there was a much needed institution. The ladies should not be left out of the citizens for financial support, as they would esteem it a privilege to support such a work. He also spoke of many letters he had received from young ladies in the East inquiring if there was a Y. W. C. A. in the city.

Rev. Mr. Dakin, who was present in the manner in which the work was begun that would be carried on successfully. He congratulated the ladies on the progress they had already made, and on the securing of Miss Thompson as secretary, she having already proved herself so well qualified to conduct the work successfully.

His Lordship, Bishop Perrin, expressed his appreciation of the value of the work that could be done by such an institution, and declared his intention of giving it his hearty support.

Mr. Skinner, president of the Vancouver Y. W. C. A., gave a brief outline of the work in Vancouver and of the very excellent work that was now being done—especially along the line of the travellers' aid.

She advised the ladies to take hold of the work heartily, assured that the well thinking citizens would support it, and the good work done by the institution would be most cordially welcomed.

At the at home a very generous offering was made for the support of the work. A candy booth in charge of the Misses Scovcroft and Miss Gladys Spencer was largely patronized, and quite a handsome sum realized.

Refreshments were served by the ladies in charge.

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