

## "Titanic Hit Enormous Berg and Sank. 2,000 Lost and 710 Saved."---Message From the Carpathia

### TRAGEDY OF GRAND BANKS GROWS MORE APPALLING WITH STORY FROM SCENE

A Wireless Dispatch Relayed From the Rescuing Cunarder By a Cruiser Greatly Reduces First Estimate of Saved.

### THOSE WHO ESCAPED DROWNING NEARLY ALL WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Shipload of Coffins Being Rushed to Spot By U. S. Government in Hopes of Picking Up Some of the Bodies—Carpathia Reports All Survivors Doing Well.

New York, April 17.—The Camperdown wireless station at Halifax today sent the Associated Press the following dispatch: "We are now in communication with Carpathia, and in a position to announce officially that the Titanic struck an enormous berg and sank; over 2,000 lost; 700 survivors, mostly women, on the Carpathia."

The attention of the Camperdown station was at once called to the obvious error in figures, which would give the total of lost and survived at 2,700, whereas the total number of passengers and crew is about 2,200.

In reply to this inquiry, the following further explanation was received from Halifax:

"The Marconi station reports that nothing authentic regarding loss is known on board Carpathia, but the steamer Franconia, in relaying the messages from the Carpathia, says that the total number of saved is only 710. There is no list of missing on the Cunarder, and only a rough estimate of her total passenger list. There was probably more than 2,200 on the ship, as quite a number boarded her at Cherbourg."

The estimates of 2,200 on board the Titanic have embraced the sailings from all ports including Cherbourg, as far as the company's officials have been able to give the information.

#### NEARING NEW YORK.

New York, April 17.—The Cunarder Carpathia, bearing survivors of the sunken White Star liner Titanic, was less than 600 miles from New York at noon today, and was eagerly awaited there for further light on the catastrophe of Sunday night, which cost so many lives. Sable Island was in brief communication with the rescue ship for a time this morning, but no additional names of survivors were obtained.

Wireless stations along the New England coast were straining to get in communication with the vessel this afternoon, and the scout cruiser Salem was somewhere off Nantucket for the purpose of relaying ashore, through her sister cruiser, the Chester, some connected account of the disaster.

#### A BRIEF MESSAGE.

In New York the White Star Line offices received a brief wireless dispatch saying that the Carpathia was 596 miles from the harbor entrance. This should bring her into port either late Thursday night or early Friday morning.

At Halifax, the cable ship Mackay-Bennett has been fitted out to go to the scene of the disaster. Coffins, ice and embalming materials were loaded aboard in the hope that many bodies may be picked up near the scene of the wreck.

#### Heard the Call.

New York, April 17.—Captain Schulte, of the steamship Cincinnati, which reached here today from Naples and Genoa, reports that at midnight on April 14 he received a wireless call for help from the stricken Titanic. Although 560 miles away, the Cincinnati was headed for the scene of the disaster, and would have continued had not another message from the Titanic been received half an hour later: "Olympic coming; not needed." This was followed by silence, and the Cincinnati resumed her course.

Although he took the southern course Captain Schulte says he saw no icebergs.

#### Cargo of Coffins.

Halifax, N. S., April 17.—The cable ship Mackay-Bennett, which has been chartered by the White Star Line to go to the scene of the Titanic disaster, was being loaded today preparatory to departure. In the hope that some bodies may be picked up coffins are being included in the cargo, and several undertakers and embalmers will go along.

The cable ship Minia, which was in the vicinity of the disaster, has arrived here, with no survivors on board. It had been hoped that she might have picked up a few stragglers from rafts or among the wreckage.

In addition to one hundred coffins, the Mackay-Bennett is taking over a hundred tons of ice. Long lines of teams were filing down the pier today and the coffins were piled ten feet high. The mission of this ship recalls the disaster to the steamer La Bourgoyne, when a similar vessel was fitted out here to search the sea for the dead. At that time more than 30 bodies were found floating in the vicinity of the disaster, although the vessel did not get away from here until a week after the tragedy.

#### Pirrie's Pet Failed.

London, April 17.—The electric control of the bulkheads installed in the Titanic is coming in for much criticism. It is stated here that they are a pet idea of Lord Pirrie, who insists on introducing them in ships built by him, despite the condemnation of many well-known constructors who pin their faith to hydraulic power as being far more reliable. These constructors point out that even a small mishap is liable to render the electric installation useless.

#### Saw Twenty Bergs.

Halifax, April 17.—The wireless station at Sable Island was in communication for a time this morning with the Cunarder Carpathia en route to New York with the survivors of the Titanic on board. The Cunarder reported that twenty icebergs were sighted off the banks near the scene where the Titanic sank, but no details of the disaster were sent.

### DID ALL ABOARD HAVE A CHANCE

Titanic Fitted to Carry Many More Lifeboats Than She Had.

### FUND FOR THE BEREAVED

Memorial Service for the Victims To Be Held in London on the 19th of April.

[Canadian Press.] London, April 17.—Although hope that the list of survivors of the sunken Titanic will be added to has been practically given up, the offices of the White Star Line in London, Southampton and Liverpool were again besieged this morning by throngs of anxious inquirers.

Some of those who had relatives on board, in fact, remained at the offices throughout the night, scanning the lists given out during the early hours, which, however, proved not to contain any fresh names, but merely corrections of those given before.

Those who waited in the London offices were mostly women, whose husbands had started for America on business, or to make new homes there for their families.

#### Statement by Company.

Early this morning the White Star Company gave out the statement received from the captain of the Olympic that neither the Virginian nor the Parisian had survivors on board, and expressing the belief that all those who had been rescued were on board the Carpathia.

It still proved a difficult task to make the bereaved relatives believe that those who had seen them only a few days ago, full of hope, would not return, and many of the people waited on.

#### Did All Have Chance?

While travelers generally understand the fact that the great liners do not carry enough boats to accommodate the whole of the passengers and crew, to the general public it was news that all those aboard the Titanic did not have a chance of saving their lives.

It is now recalled that just prior to the first trip of the Olympic, a member of the House of Commons asked Sydney Buxton, president of the board of trade, a question as to the number of boats she carried. The president of the board of trade replied that the Olympic carried fourteen lifeboats and two ordinary boats, with an aggregate capacity of 9,752 cubic feet, which is in excess of requirements under the statutory rules.

As was pointed out by Alexander Carlisle, the designer of the Titanic and Olympic, in the course of an interview yesterday, the Titanic was fitted with davits sufficient to carry four times the number of boats actually placed on board.

#### Fund for Bereaved.

The lord mayor of London today opened a Mansion House fund for the relief of the families of the crew of the Titanic and of any others left in needy circumstances, in consequence of the disaster.

A memorial service for the victims is to be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 19.

Much indignation is expressed in connection with the publication of the telegram stating that the Titanic was in tow of the Virginian just after the news of the accident was received. Col. Charles E. Yate, member of Parliament for Leicestershire, will ask the president of the board of trade, in the House of Commons, whether his attention has been drawn to the publication of the telegram and whether their origin could be traced.

### UNITED STATES GOVT. TO PROBE DISASTER

Survivors of Titanic's Passengers Will Be Summoned to an Investigation.

Washington, April 17.—Survivors of the Titanic disaster will be summoned to Washington to tell committees of Congress the facts concerning the inability of the steamship officials to save the lives of all the passengers on the giant liner, Representative Alexander, of Missouri, chairman of the House committee on merchant marine and fisheries, announced today an investigation in which the passengers will give chief testimony.

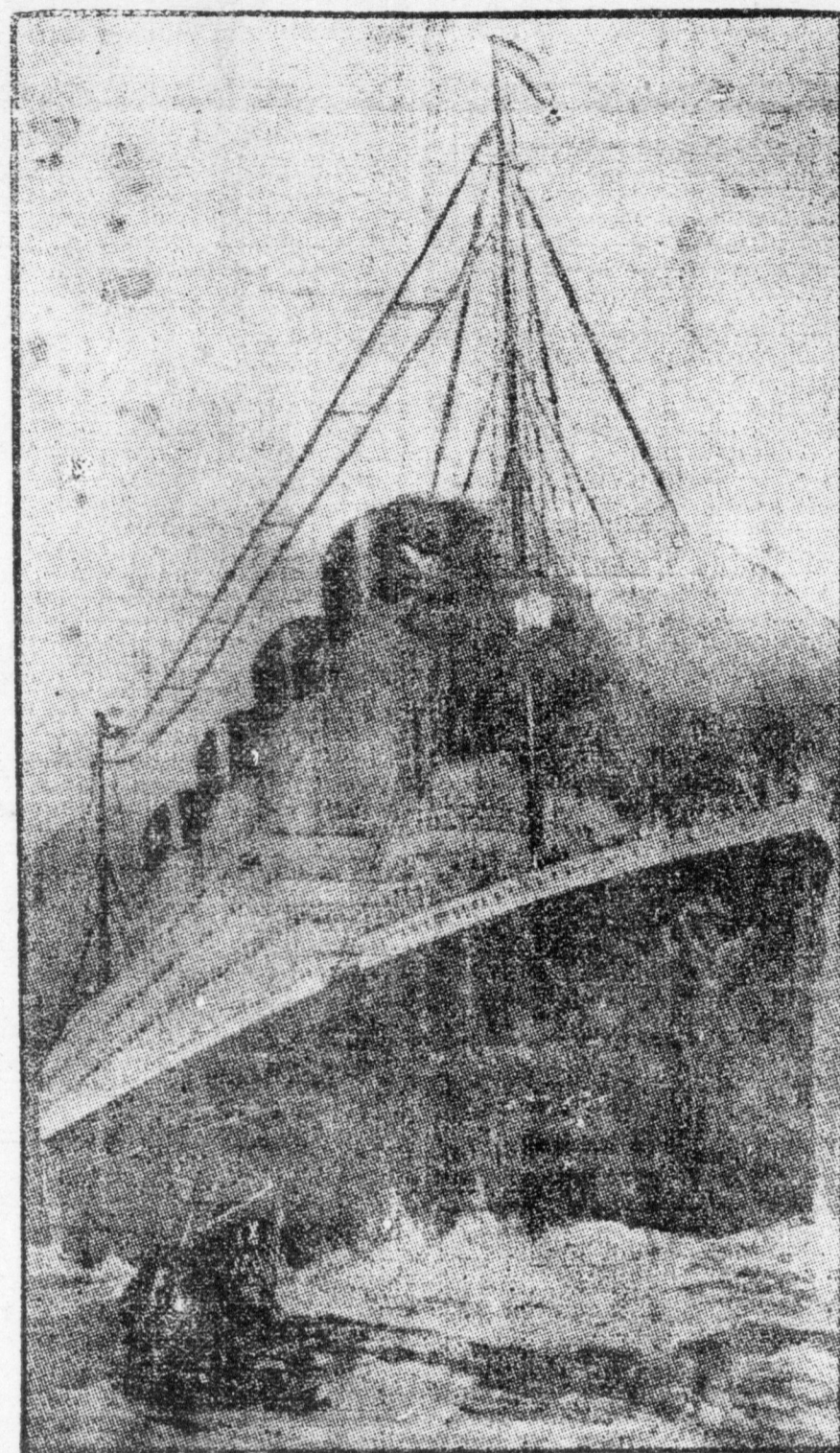
#### FEARS THE WORST

City Engineer Wright's Uncle Probably Drowned on the Titanic.

City Engineer Wright is now convinced that his uncle, Mr. George Wright, of Halifax, was among the passengers who went down with the Titanic.

"Father has received word from Halifax stating that they consider there that the man mentioned among the passengers lost is my uncle," said Mr. Wright. "There is no other person of the name known there who would be on the vessel, so there is but one conclusion to draw from the information. Were my uncle in England or any place else he would immediately cable that he is safe."

Mr. George Wright was unmarried, and is survived by two brothers, the city engineer's father, and another brother in the east. There are two sisters. He is rated as a millionaire in Halifax, being a large publisher.



PHOTOGRAPH OF THE TITANIC TAKEN WHEN ON HER TRIAL TRIP TRAVELLING AT FULL SPEED.

### REMAINED OVER IN ORDER TO COME HOME ON TITANIC

James McCrie, of Sarnia, Wrote to His Wife Recently That He Was Coming on the Big New Liner on Her First Trip.

#### [Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, April 17.—The home of James M. McCrie, the Sarnia man, who is on the passenger list of the ill-fated Titanic, bears witness to the hundreds of similar sorrowful scenes, enacted throughout Canada and the States today. No word has been received concerning the missing man, although every effort to secure information regarding his safety has and is being made.

James McCrie has been absent from home for over eighteen months, being employed by the English oil interests in Egypt. Mrs. McCrie and three small children reside in this city, and not over a week ago the wife received a letter from her husband saying he would sail for home on the Titanic. Mr. McCrie was in England at the time and waited over a week there in order to come over in the unfortunate ship on her maiden trip. The joyous anticipation of the wife and children was rudely shattered yesterday when the news of the terrible calamity was flashed over the wires. Mrs. McCrie, a brave and brave under the terrible strain, and is waiting with fearful expectancy the portentous telegram which will place her husband among the living or the dead. The three little children toddle around the house totally unconscious of the horrible tragedy hanging over the home.

The wife when interviewed by The Advertiser today appeared calm and self-possessed, although her eyes were red with weeping. "I have received no message as yet from my husband," she said, "but I am expecting one hourly. We have tried to get in communication with Toronto by telephone and telegraph, but the wires are so busy it is impossible. People are trying to assure me that the number of those lost has been greatly exaggerated, and I hope this is so. Perhaps my husband has been picked up by one of the boats and taken back to England. If he has I ought to hear from him before Friday. I can't believe he has gone down with the ship."

The slight of this little woman hoping against hope that her husband will be restored safely to her arms is an infinitely pathetic one, and yet it is but one out of fifteen hundred or more throughout the country today.

### TRUSTEE WYCKOFF WILL ASK FOR A SCHOOL INVESTIGATION

Doctor From the East End Desires To Clear Up Rumors.

At the next meeting of the board of education, Dr. A. J. Wyckoff, on a question of privilege, will ask for an investigation into the accounts for the building of the Alexandra school.

For some time, there have been rumors of a compromising nature in circulation, and Dr. Wyckoff, as chairman of No. 2 committee, considers that they reflect on his work in the committee.

"Everything in connection with that building was done above board," he stated. "There is absolutely nothing to hide, and we court the fullest investigation. The accounts are ready. All possible facilities will be afforded to those who wish to find out what has been going on. I understand that some members of the board have been circulating these rumors. If they have the opportunity for them to make good will be given. I am determined to have this thing cleared up, and it will result in the complete vindication of the committee."

Seeking Information. Rev. J. Gibson Inkster, who is seeking information regarding the disaster, is expected to arrive in Sarnia today.

### SAYS CAPTAIN OF THE TITANIC ASKED FOR MORE LIFEBOATS

Commander of Lost Liner Said to Have Protested That His Boat Was Not Properly Equipped With Life-Saving Apparatus In Event of Wreck.

#### [Canadian Press.]

Chicago, April 17.—That Captain Edward J. Smith, of the Titanic, believed that the steamer was not properly equipped with lifeboats and other life-saving apparatus, and that he protested, without success, against the lack of precaution, is the statement made by Glenn Marston, a friend of the captain here. Marston said that while returning from Europe on the Olympic in company with Captain Smith, he remarked on the small number of lifeboats carried by such a large vessel. It was then, according to Marston, that Capt. Smith spoke of the life-preserving equipment of the Titanic, then in the course of construction.

#### Not Enough Boats.

"I noticed the small number of boats and rafts aboard for the heavy passenger-carrying capacity of the ship, and I believed their ships to be safe."

marked on it to Captain Smith," said Marston. "Yes," he replied, "if the ship should strike a submerged object or iceberg that would cut through into several of her watertight compartments we have not enough boats or rafts aboard to take care of more than one-third of the passengers."

"The Titanic, too, is no better supplied. It ought to carry at least double the number of boats and rafts that it does to afford any real protection to the passengers. Besides, there is always a danger of some of the boats becoming damaged or swept away before they can be manned."

Marston further quoted Captain Smith as saying he thought the lack of equipment for saving lives was not due to a desire of the steamship line owners to save money but rather because they believed their ships to be safe.

### ALL HOPE ABANDONED THAT MR. HAYS HAS BEEN SAVED

His Name Has Not Appeared on Any of the Lists Posted By the Company.

#### [Canadian Press.]

New York, April 17.—An investigation has been made of the report current yesterday that Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Railway, was among the survivors of the Titanic.

The survivors of the Titanic. The name of Mr. Hays does not appear in the list of survivors posted at the White Star offices in either New York or London, and there is no apparent reason for saying that he has been saved. The dispatch in question saying Mr. Hays was among the survivors was first published in Montreal.

Mrs. Charles M. Hays and Miss Margaret Hays are reported among the survivors on board the Carpathia.

### MANAGER HAYS' LAST VISIT TO LONDON

Spoke Before the Board of Trade on April 21st. 1910.

The last visit made to London by Mr. Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Railway, drowned on the Titanic, was on April 21, 1910, on the occasion of the annual board of trade banquet.

He had come to London to talk track elevation, and took the occasion to remind Londoners that they had lost their opportunity for improvements when the offer of Mr. F. H. McGeigan had been refused. He stated on that occasion that the city would have to wait at least three years for anything to be done, probably longer.

Mr. Hays spent several hours in London that time. Since then he has passed through London frequently, but never spent any time here.

#### NO HALT TO TRAVEL.

New York, April 17.—The disaster to the Titanic has thus far had no effect so far as curtailing sea travel is concerned, according to the steamship companies, and they believe that it will have no material bearing on the summer rush of vacation touring, which has already begun, but which does not reach its maximum until the latter part of May.

Some of the larger companies, as a matter of fact, are just now experiencing a contrary effect, an addition to their normal business, for each of them has had its generous quota of those who had planned to leave these shores on the new White Star liner.

### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MR. HAYS AT MONTREAL

G. T. R. President Was Trustee of the American Presbyterian Church.

Montreal, April 17.—At the American Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Charles M. Hays, the Grand Trunk president, believed to have gone down with the Titanic, was a trustee, the service on Sunday morning will be in the nature of a memorial service. Dr. Johnston, the pastor, has not fully decided this morning as to the character of the service further than that reference would be made to the awful disaster and the grief sustained by the church in the loss of Mr. Hays.

### POPE AND MONARCHS WERE GREATLY GRIEVED

Friends of Pontiff and King Went Down With the Titanic.

#### [Canadian Press.]

Rome, April 17.—Both Pope Pius and King Victor Emmanuel have expressed their deep sympathy for the victims of the Titanic disaster, and have asked to be informed of the details of the wreck, and of the names of the survivors. Among the passengers were several who were known personally to the king and the pope, as they were recently received by them in private audience.

London, April 17.—The text of the German Emperor's message of sympathy sent to the White Star Line was as follows:

"Achilleion, April 16.—Deeply grieved by the sad news of the terrible disaster which has befallen your line I send you the expression of my deepest sympathy, and also with all those who mourn the loss of relatives and friends. (Signed) WILLIAM I. R."

#### THE WEATHER.

##### TOMORROW—COOL.

Forecasts. Toronto, April 17—8 a.m. Today—Northeast winds and cool light rain or sleet tonight.

Thursday—Northerly winds; cool and clearing. Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	52.5	42	Cloudy
Victoria	60	46	Cloudy
Calgary	50	28	Fair
Winnipeg	42	24	Clear
Port Arthur	44	22	Clear
Parry Sound	40	24	Fair
Toronto	60	32	Cloudy
Ottawa	62	32	Fair
Montreal	62	38	Fair
Quebec	54	36	Clear
Halifax	50	32	Rain

##### Weather Notes.

An area of low pressure which was in Texas yesterday is moving quickly toward the Great Lakes, accompanied by rain. The weather is fine, with a tendency toward higher temperatures in the Western Provinces, while in Ontario and Quebec it has turned cooler and the outlook is quite unsettled.



JAMES MCCRIE, Sarnia Oil Driller, Who Was on the Titanic.