

## GRIM RECORD OF THE SEA IN 1913

### Details of Worst Disasters Of Year LOSS MANY MILLIONS

#### In Money Value the Wrecking of the Clan Mackenzie Takes First Place—Burning of the Volturmo Worst in Toll of Human Lives

Some illuminating figures have been compiled which give a startling idea of the toll of the sea. Since the beginning of January, 1913, the liabilities of underwriters up to and including the end of November amounted to \$32,042,000, or \$1,000,000 in advance for the same period last year.

During the eleven completed months of last year there have been 5,332 accidents of all descriptions to vessels of 400 tons gross and upward, collisions being responsible for 1,820, strandings for 1,332, weather damage for 895 and fire and explosions for 428. No fewer than 216 ships—83 British and 134 foreign, aggregating 468,910 tons—were totally lost.

The most sensational disaster of the year was the destruction of the liner Volturmo by fire in mid-Atlantic with the loss of 180 souls, while more than 300 passengers and crew were rescued by a fleet of eleven rescue ships.

From the financial point of view, however, the Volturmo takes a comparatively low place, for the disasters to the Clan Mackenzie, the Lampport and Holt liner Veroness and the French liner Admiral Exelmans all resulted in claims on the market ranging individually from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000.

The following table indicates many of the principal losses for the year, with the value of the ship and cargo, as far as they can be stated:

| Ship  | Value       |
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| Clan Mackenzie, Clan liner, Mercury for India, wrecked near Cadix, with valuable general cargo      | \$1,000,000 |
| Veroness, Lampport and Holt liner, outward bound from Liverpool to South America, wrecked near Vigo | 950,000     |
| Eastwell, wrecked at Ynauddon   | 650,000     |
| Estonia, Russian East Asiatic liner, abandoned on fire, bound from Gothenburg to Japan              | 500,000     |
| Volturmo, Canadian Northern liner, on charter, bound from Rotterdam to Halifax                      | 325,000     |
| Maddon Hall, wrecked in Saldanha Bay  | 600,000     |
| Campbell, wrecked off Cape Agulhas  | 550,000     |
| Admiral Exelmans, French liner, wrecked off Cape Pal-   |             |

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| mas while bound from Havre to East African ports                      | 750,000 |
| Tyrone, wrecked on Otago Head, New Zealand                            | 750,000 |
| Canterbury, founded off Karatsu                                       | 500,000 |
| City of London, sunk through collision, reported from Cleveland, Ohio | 225,000 |
| Aberlour, wrecked on Azalea Reef, Naure for Antwerp                   | 200,000 |
| Hektor, wrecked at Dyer Islands                                       | 425,000 |
| Brez Huel, founded in Monte Bay                                       | 250,000 |
| Peruvia, Narvik for Emden (missing)                                   | 225,000 |
| Glenalvon, sunk in the Elbe   | 215,000 |

#### Other Big Sea Disasters

Other big casualties seriously affecting the underwriting market were as follows:

Gardenia, sunk through collision in North Sea.

Clarence, wrecked off Marsh Point, Hudson Bay.

C. C. Hand, American lake steamer, sunk after being on fire.

Tell, stranded near Cape Canari.

Kinnell, sunk through collision near the Scaw.

Cyclops, wrecked near Montevideo.

Ville de Toulon, dredger, founded while in tow.

Regina Margerita, sunk at Genoa.

Paulina, ashore at Daily Bay.

Troga, wrecked at the South Orkneys.

Christiana, sunk near Borkum after collision.

Astellero, sunk near Sicily after collision.

Poseidon, missing, Newcastle for Spezia.

Parana, wrecked at Montevideo.

Alm China, wrecked by explosion at Baltimore.

Amfrid ashore at Cape Egnano.

Fred Jones, dredger, destroyed by fire.

Agadir, R. M. S. P., stranded at Masagan.

Boston, new Dutch liner, stranded near Hartlepool, on trial trip.

Auchenard sunk outside Liverpool after collision.

La Blanca, damaged in collision with Auchenard.

#### SUGGEST BURIAL IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY FOR STRATHCONA

London, Jan. 22.—The passing of Lord Strathcona has commanded widespread attention, evoking from all quarters expressions of sympathy, coupled with lavish tributes to the great empire builder.

The suggestion has been made in certain quarters that a public funeral service be held at Westminster Abbey or St. Paul's Cathedral, and the body entombed in either one or other of the two famous crypts, but it is believed that the Baroness Strathcona, following the known indications of her late father, would prefer to have him buried beside his wife and companion of seventy years.



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#### JURY DISAGREES IN PINDER CASE

Fredericton, Jan. 21.—Disagreement by the jury on practically every point except two, which are conceded to the plaintiff, will render necessary argument by counsel as to whether or not a verdict will be entered in Stewart vs. Southampton Railway.

The jury found unanimously for Mr. Stewart in answering the question as to whether he was entitled to remuneration for expenditure of his own money in early construction, but this only amounted to \$162.75.

By more than the required majority the jury also found that the directors of the company did not allow Mr. Stewart sufficient time to complete his financial arrangements for building the road before they took action in cancelling the contract, the count on this standing six to two.

On the important questions, however, as to whether misrepresentations were made to the company by Mr. Stewart or his solicitor and as to the damages for loss of contract, the jury split four to three on each question and after two and one-half hours' deliberation their finding was accepted and they were discharged by the court.

It required five jurors to return an answer in the affirmative and on each point four found there had been misrepresentation.

Three were opposed and four found no damages should be assessed, while three believed Mr. Stewart was entitled to damages but did not fix the amount.

Mr. Carvell had left on the evening train for Ottawa before the jury returned and argued as to whether a verdict shall be entered had to be deferred until another session of the court. A new trial is a possibility.

Mother Knows Her Boy  
Jenny, go find Johnny, see what he is doing, and tell him to stop it right away.—Life.

#### ANNUAL MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATIONS

Several of the Presbyterian churches of the city held their annual meetings last evening. Those of St. Andrew's, St. John's, and the Carleton church were postponed on account of the weather.

St. David's.  
The meeting in St. David's church was well attended. Rev. J. A. MacKegan occupied the chair and opened the meeting with devotional exercises. The message from the session was read by S. R. Jack in the absence of the clerk, Peter Clusholm.

The tenth annual report of Miss Jennie B. Robb, missionary in Korea, was read by Andrew Malcolm and the report of the Jennie B. Robb committee was submitted by the secretary, Robert Reid. The Knights of King Arthur, a boys' club under the special supervision and leadership of Rev. Mr. MacKegan, submitted an enthusiastic report showing the hearty appreciation of the boys, of Mr. MacKegan's interest in the organization.

The moderator of session retired from the chair at this stage and David McClelland was elected chairman of the meeting. The report of the trustees was highly satisfactory, showing splendid progress, and recommending that the minister's salary be increased to \$2,400. A strong committee, consisting of Alexander Watson, A. R. Melrose, G. R. Ewing, J. M. Barnes and B. S. Ritchie, was appointed to take into consideration the securing of a new organ.

The following were elected as trustees for the ensuing year: F. F. Burpee, G. R. Ewing, D. W. Ledingham, A. R. Melrose, N. J. Morrison, D. McClelland, James MacMurray, T. J. McPherson and D. R. Willet.

The reports of the Sunday school and the various organizations and societies actively at work in the congregation were submitted and good progress was reported by all. A vote of thanks was tendered the trustees for their valuable services during the last year and also to the secretary of the church, W. J. Fraser. The meeting then adjourned, Andrew Malcolm offering prayer.

St. Columba, Fairville.

All the old trustees were re-elected, the board for the ensuing year being as follows: J. E. Bryant, John Galey, D. Campbell, George W. Donaldson, Joseph Semple, William Stintson, John Baird, Samuel Galbraith and Thomas Snodgrass.

Toward the close of the meeting, J. E. Bryant on behalf of the congregation, presented to Miss Minnie Monch a substantial check in appreciation of her services as organist during the last year. The pastor, William M. Townsend, was also given a purse of gold, which was accompanied by an address, St. Stephen's.

The meeting of St. Stephen's church was also well attended by the congregation. The pastor, Rev. A. Gordon Dickie, opened the meeting with devotional exercises, and K. J. MacRae presided, and John H. Davidson was secretary. The reports of the various organizations were presented and showed very satisfactory work during the year. The financial statement showed:

Weekly offerings ..... \$3,787.15  
Building fund contributions ..... \$40.00

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|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Requests                    | 68.00      |
| Sunday school contributions | 328.92     |
| Ladies' Aid Society         | 243.95     |
| Boys' Brigade               | 92.81      |
| Guild                       | 75.00      |
| Total                       | \$5,079.33 |

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| For missions and church funds                 | \$1,182.85 |
| Sunday school mission contributions           | 64.36      |
| Women's Foreign Mission Society contributions | 215.63     |
| Mission Band contributions                    | 60.00      |
| Total   | \$1,512.84 |

Total for all purposes ..... \$6,092.17

The trustees for the coming year were elected as follows: Cecil Mitchell, A. C. Jardine, George M. Robertson, H. H. McLeish, D. D. McArthur, H. E. Dunn, Benjamin Roden, K. J. MacRae, Edwin S. Crawford, J. H. Davidson and J. J. Irvine.

St. Matthew's.  
The pastor, Rev. J. James McCasidill, presided at the meeting in St. Matthew's church. George Blewett was secretary. The usual reports showed very satisfactory progress during the year. The Sunday school report was particularly pleasing and the Bonaccord Circle was complimented on its fine work.

The financial statement which was submitted showed that there is a balance to the good of \$50 after all debts are paid. During the year \$170 of floating and \$100 of bonded debts were discharged.

The trustees appointed for the next year are—S. E. Logan, chairman; John Donovan, secretary; William N. Collins, treasurer; Murdoch Urquhart, Walter Treacaten, John Howe, George Craigie, L. B. Brown and Austin Galbraith.

A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a purse of gold to George Craigie, choir leader, for his faithful services.

Calvin.

The annual meeting of Calvin church was well attended. The pastor, Rev. F. W. Thompson, presided. The reports of the officers, the trustees, the committees and various organizations in the church were submitted and all were of a highly satisfactory nature.

The treasurer's report showed the following:

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| Total receipts | \$2,865.47 |
| Expenditures   | 2,285.15   |
| Balance        | \$ 580.32  |

Sabbath school ..... \$180.46  
Expenditures in S. S. .... 105.29  
Balance ..... \$ 74.17

The following were appointed as trustees for the coming year—J. H. Murphy, chairman; J. A. Robertson, secretary; Joseph Semple, treasurer; F. B. Hayward, F. Neeson, E. W. Elliott, F. E. Wark, O. J. Clarke and J. H. McHarg.

Congregational.  
The sixty-ninth meeting of the Congregational church was largely attended despite the fact that the weather was stormy and a very optimistic feeling prevailed during the evening. The pastor, Rev. Ralph J. Haughton, was in the chair. After the roll-call of members, reports were received from the various departments, and in view of the fact that the church was without a pastor for some time, this was considered very satisfactory.

The Sunday school report was especially encouraging, telling of the deep interest taken by the officers and scholars to increase the attendance.

The officers for the year were elected as follows:

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Desacons—C. E. MacMichael, C. H. Flewelling, R. A. Johnston.  
Clerk—J. W. Flewelling.  
Treasurer—C. E. MacMichael.  
Financial secretary—John Wade.  
Board of trustees—C. H. Flewelling, John O. Brooks, James Cunningham, John Wade, Frank Hampton, J. H. Flewelling, S. S. Elliott, Robb A. Johnston and Kimble Vroom.

Music committee—S. S. Elliott, Mrs. C. E. MacMichael, Miss J. Holmes, J. W. Flewelling.

As the church is in its seventieth year the following were appointed a committee to plan a suitable observance for the anniversary—S. S. Elliott, J. A. Brooks, C. E. MacMichael, J. W. Flewelling and John Wade.

FOOLISH WOMEN, ON DARE, GO SWIMMING IN THE ICY WATER

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 22.—While skaters glided over the smooth ice at one end of Hayden lake, forty miles east of Spokane, Mrs. Anna Zerbe and Mrs. Walter Schute took a fifteen minute swim at the other end of the lake. The women swam through the icy water 330 yards.

Mrs. Zerbe has taken part in seven rescues of drowning persons at a Spokane natatorium. "It was a dare that started Mrs. Schute and I to make the swim," she said. "We put on our bathing suits in our house by the lake shore. Then we ran down the frozen ground to the lake. We had to run about two feet out on the ice, as the water was frozen near the shore."

"I will never forget the sensation when I first went under the water. I wanted to climb right out, but I looked to one side and saw Mrs. Schute swimming and I decided not to be a quitter. It seemed we were in the water a long time, but people who were timing us said we were in only fifteen minutes. After the first plunge our bodies became numb to feeling and the cold did not bother us. "When we got across the bay we were wrapped in warm blankets and then ran back to our house, where we took a

Five Years for \$50,000.  
Toronto, Jan. 21.—Robert Mackie pleaded guilty today to a charge of stealing \$50,000 from the Cowan Chocolate Company, and was sentenced to five years in Kingston penitentiary by Judge Denton.

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