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MILLING Victoria.

LOCAL WITNESSES

THE TRIP OF THE CZAR AND SALVOR

Evidence Given by Captains Harris and Campbeil and H. F. Bullen at Valenc'a Inquiry.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Charles Harris, of the steamer Salvor, took the stand and gave practically the

given the ship under such conditions | the boat to Sechart by Capt. Troup to would have had to come from the secure the assistance of the whaling land side. He wouldn't like to say boat Orion. whether a properly equipped lifeboat, such as used upon the Great Lakes, have been impossible to render any been rendered.

Could have successfully reached the assistance on Wednesday morning Witness replies Valencia on the day of the Salvor's hances were against the success of

uch a scheme. Continuing, Capt. Harris said he had e capacity of master. For nine years had been so named. It was not a prowas engaged in sealing, so that he eason for this fact, but it, neverthess, was true that the sea never ap- ency. This did not include life-saving

other stages. Questioned by Capt. Newcomb, witess said he didn't believe that anyhing could have reached the Valencia wreck on Wednesday. A ship, properly equipped with life-saving applinces, might have made the attempt, but whether the effort would have n successful was another matter. To C. H. Lugrin witness reiterated he statement that nobody aboard the Salvor thought there was life on the to that effect. He believed that there wreck. He didn't think anything could were three vessels bonused by the Dohave been done even if all had been minion government for a similar purware that there were still people on pose upon the Atlantic coast. the wreck. The Egeria's crew tried to told of the Czar's report on Wednes-

nake a landing off Darling river. Speaking of currents, witness said day morning, of the conference which that between Columbia river and Cape followed and of the determination to Flattery there was a strong set in a go to Bamfield creek and endeavor to northerly direction during the winter send assistance around by trail. He onths. Of the light on Carmanah also related a conversation with Capt. itness said that it could not be seen | Troup, before a start was made, to the westward. The horn at which the latter said he felt he should point could not be easily distinuished from the same direction. In experience the Cape Flattery light the same courtesy on the part of P. C. S. S. Co. officials. manah. The light at Cape Beale was

Much More Satisfactory. an improvement might be effected by rlacing a good horn at that point. Asked whether, in his opinion as a vigator, there should be a stronger ht at Carmanah, witness answered intended, be a light or horn placed

Sherringham Point. Vith regard to a life-saving station pt. Harris suggested that the best ation would be either Clo-oose or rmanah. These two places had adintages over any other point on the

impossible to say whether Capt. John-

on could have seen the lights of Flat-

tery or Cape Beale on the night of the

J. H. Lawson interjected a remark

cate a point for a life-saving station.

the scene of the wreck by the tug

zar. Upon arriving at Carmanah

were informed that the Valencia wreck

was at Seabird Islands. About ten

Saw the Queen

put her helm hard-a-port and stand

packed out and, as the Czar passed,

old that the wreck was "in there,"

miles from Carmanah they

uver Island.

To A. E. McPhillips he said he took asked Mr. McPhillips. large of the Salvor on the 1st of No-To this Mr. Lugrin objected, reck at 3 o'clock on Tuesday. Half hour later the crew and he were vage Act?" thought by waiting for the arrival a doctor. The run from Victoria to that the saving of life was mentioned ere the Valencia lay took about six and that a higher remuneration was never get out again. The Topeka of Coast of Vancouver Island, was read ours. At the time the Salvor drew irteen feet six inches. The wreck of wreckage. s sighted at 9.30 o'clock on Wed-Questioned further, he said he knew esday morning. His steamer lay bout two miles from the stranded ves-He supposed it would have been ossible to get closer. Had he known ere was life aboard he would have

that Capt. Parry, of H, M. S. Egeria, closer and done everything posible to aid them. He heard the coningly complied with the request, but it ersation between Capt. Troup and apt. Christensen, of the tug Czar. sion would first have to be received The latter reported that no life could seen on board and that what apeared to be pieces of canvas were was too valuable, and the ship profying from the rigging. He wouldn't ceeded without them. have authorized an attempt to reach the wreck by means of a raft. It was

To Mr. Lugrin witness said it would

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"Was the Salvor subjected to any

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the receiver of wrecks before leaving. the ground that it was not relevant.

ere to the effect that the second fficer had already given evidence statng that no lights were seen or horns the effect that he was willing to answer all questions with the exception Chas. Campbell, master mariner, was of those which he considered counsel ext called. He had 33 years' experiasked for the purpose of establishing Troup and Capt. Campbell, the latter Drawing Made For Times the Most points outside the scope of the in-Answering Capt. Gaudin, witness ex-

ssed the opinion that it would be Mr. McPhillips thought it was a icidal for any small boat to atpeculiar thing if witness was to be pernpt to make a landing at any exmitted to assume such an attitude. sed roint on the west coast of Van-Replying, Mr. Bullen said he was quite within his rights. This Capt. Gaudin said was most

Capt. Gaudin ruled the question out portant. What was wanted was to of order. This concluded Mr. McPhillips' crossntinuing, witness told of his trip examination, and Mr. Lawson asked whether the boatswain's party had expressed a desire to accompany any they spoke the steamer Queen and

rescue party to the wreck. Witness replied in the affirmative. An adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock this morning.

ship most closely for about fifteen or Salvor. On arriving at the wreck he the wreck, and the Orion was asked to fic coast disasters.

twenty minutes. Neither Capt. Chris- heard the captain of the Salvor say land a party of rescuers, which was first tensen nor witness could see any life, all that was discernible being something flying from the rigging. Capt. Christensen had asked witness what he thought of it, and he said what could be made out wight and the captain of the Saivor say that there were no persons on the rigging, and the captain of the Queen then said that he would go round to Bamfield creek and see if he could be of service.

Next morning at daylight a rescue party was formed for the relief of those on the beach. The trail was in very bad shape, but they followed the tele-

could be made out might be people In reply to Capt. Gaudin witness graph line. At places they had even wrapped in blankets. The sea was said that he had seen service in the when the tug went out there was three feet of water in the hold. Going to the little experience in the life saving ser-Salvor they had reported and, upon vice at Goodwin Sands and Deel, Enginstructions, proceeded to the steamer | land.

Witness continuing, said that he did (From Wednesday's Daily.)

When the Valencia inquiry resumed tug had been so much closer. The capproceedings yesterday afternoon Capt.

Were excited and "talked for the sake"

out more than the Czar because the tug had been so much closer. The captain also thought those on the Queen difficulties of the trail and the crossing "Was it possible to render any assistant and to meet survivors. He was packing provisions for these men, six of whom they met. Witness described the difficulties of the trail and the crossing "Was it possible to render any assistant and to meet survivors. He was packing provisions for these men, six of whom they met. Witness described the difficulties of the trail and the crossing "Was it possible to render any assistant and the control of were excited and "talked for the sake of having something to say." The only the river he saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for the saw two dead bodies, the witness representative for

> very few could survive. passable trail could assistance have shore acted—the linemen, etc.

Witness replied in the affirmative. If with any of the appliances available,

also be of advantage at Sherringham To Mr. McPhillips witness said that the wreck from the Salvor the attempt eventeen years' experience upon the coal the Czar drew thirteen feet six inches. Would have been made, but no small boat, fourteen of which were spent in He couldn't explain why Shelter Bight boat could live in such a sea. He described the beach as far as he followed it, and said that the coast was so new something of the handling of H. F. Bullen, secretary of the B. C. rugged that progress was slow and characteristic contemporary and boats. In his opinion it would Salvage Company, when called stated dangerous. There were only little ater. He could hardly explain the ance of a vessel with a suitable sal- would be dashed to pieces against the vage plant for use in case of emerg- rocks.

J. W. Lorimer was the next witness. eared to be so heavy at low tide as appliances. The Salvor was equipped He explained that he visited the wreck with three pressed steel boats and one as a reporter for the Colonist. When wooden boat. This was not included they reached the scene of the wreck in the contract. The bonus, witness it was said that there were some peoexplained, was not granted for life- ple in the rigging, and this was re saving purposes but for salving ported to the captain of the Queen, wrecks. It was always understood, but the seas were running so high that however, that life should be the first no boat could approach. When witness consideration, and when Capt. Harris got to Bamfield a rescue party was had been appointed as master of the formed to work along the shore.

To Capt. Gaudin witness said he understood that the Queen was to stand by the wreck and render all possible assistance. Capt. Christensen said there was something in the rigging, but he could not say whether it was people or canvass.

Questioned by Capt. Gaudin, witness To Mr. McPhillips witness said he could not judge the distance between the Salvor and the wreck. To Mr. Lawson witness reiterated conversation between Capt. Troup and Capt. Christensen as to what was seen in the wreck-bodies or otherwise. He

understood the latter to say that there was no life in the rigging. go to the coast as, were any of his The court then adjourned for lunch. vessels in trouble, he should expect

When the commission inquiring into the Valencia wreck reassembled after To Mr. McPhillips, witness said that lunch yesterday afternoon J. W. Lorthe Salvor was supposed to render assistance wherever available. He didn't | imer was put on the witness stand to clear up a point in his evidence. He know whether there was any defined explained that he understood Capt. Counsel wanted to know whether there were any specifications and competition in securing the contract from not say whether it was life or other-

The Salvor, witness said, did and P. Goodenrath put in a picture of the still does fulfil the requirements of the scene of the wreck taken by him on marine and fisheries department. In the morning of Thursday after the saving equipment, an account of which stated that what was required was a war men made any effort to land or reach the wreck, and replied in the a fortnight in order that it might be of the board the needs of the armory. special inspection as a salvage vessel?" thirty or fifty yards of the wreck, and returned with the report that there of marine and fisheries to adopt. was no life apparent on the wreck. Counsel asked whether witness was the crew made another attempt to The latter replied he was familiar ported that the people on shore made gratefully accepted. with it up to a certain point. He knew | no sign of distress. Their boat might work, but the Topeka crew did it.

ruled the query out of order, when Capt. Christensen had said that there ter able to deal with it. counsel pressed for a direct reply, on were some signals from the wreck, but Mr. Bullen interjected a remark to Bamfield Capt. Christensen told Capt. the meeting adjourned. was any life on the wreck. From a conversation he heard between Capt. appeared to be positive that there was life on the wreck. Capt. Troup said he would write a letter to the Sechart letter was given to the Orion by the wreck which were made by the Times lum element at the school, which could captain of the Czar, after which the artist on the Salvor, and reproduced not now be kert under control. latter continued on her course. The in this paper, were submitted as eviidea was that the Queen was to stand dence at the investigation held in ter over. by the wreck. The captain of the Queen | Seattle. Capt. Troup, of the C. P. R., seemed to want the Czar to do things | Capt. Cousins of the Queen and Capt.

which he would not do himself. Capt. Ferris was next examined and artist of the Times had depicted most said that on the 23rd of last month he accurately the sea then running and that date he proceeded to the wreck, of the rescue fleet and of the wreck. encountering the Queen. They went to Carmanah, and were there signalled proofs of the cuts and forwarded to from the Czar as to the location of the different officials of the government The commissioners appointed to en- wreck. The weather was very heavy and company in order that they may n about half a mile. Then the steamer quire in to the wreck of the steamer at the time, and when they saw that be informed of the real condition of around the South Park school and that Valencia resumed the investigation they were too late to be of service they affairs. Capt. Christensen and witness were this morning at the court house. There went on to Bamfield. Capt. Christen-

bad shape, but they followed the tele-"How near did you get to the

wreck?" asked Capt. Gaudin. Witness estimated that the Salvoi Witness said that he couldn't make not think it possible, with the life- got within two or three miles of the much out of what those aboard the boats used on steamers on this coast, wreck. By means of glasses he could steamer Queen said as two or three to render any service at the wreck of see the mark of the wrecked vessel Properly Conducted Fire Drill's Must be persons tried to talk at once. Capt. the Valencia. The only possible way, clearly, but there was no sign of life the valencia. The only possible way, in his opinion, was to connect with the ported that there was life aboard and that they had heard a gun fired. But the valencia. The only possible way, in his opinion, was to connect with the on board. Capt. Christensen also supported that they had heard a gun fired. But the valencia. The only possible way, in his opinion, was to connect with the on board. Capt. Christensen also supported that they had heard a gun fired. But the captain hadn't taken much "stock" intending to cast a line to the wreck, Capt. Troup said that if there was any in what the Queen's people said, be-lieving that they couldn't have made hand to meet survivors. He was pack-ed, and arranged for the Orion.

things he came to the conclusion that might have stood by to pick up any boards of the province asking for sug- the High school; refreshments—Truspossible survivors.

there were a good trail they could get them did great work, but particularly had estimated that there would be 40 arrival. Providing a person had got the appliances available. He confirmed what had been said by into a correct position a raft might revious witnesses with reference to have been drifted to the stranded ship.

With any of the appliances available, opposite the wreck with a line, which was the only practical way of reachbox been drifted to the stranded ship.

With any of the appliances available, opposite the wreck with a line, which was the only practical way of reachbox been drifted to the stranded ship. Taking the westward trend of the currents. He advised the installation of strong, heavy fog horns at Carrent into consideration, however, the into consideration, however, the manah and Cape Beale. A horn would side, so high were the waves. To Mr. Lugrin witness said that if practically undefinied, and the work of ed. there were any possibility of reaching setting over it so hard that every mem-the wreck from the Salvor the attempt ber of the party was overcome. The linemen and others did noble service C. H. Topp, city engineer, notified

> harder than they did. C. H. Lugrin suggested that the conter in his report to the department at Ottawa.

Capt. Gaudin-And the commissioners will be too happy to back you up. The enquiry adjourned to Friday at

ACTION DEFERRED

By Lifeboat Association Until Policy of Dominion Government Is Definitely Outlined.

On Tuesday a meeting of the excommittee of the Victoria Lifeboat and Life-Saving Association was held in the city hall. Mayor Morley occupied the chair and among those present were Capt. Walbran, Capt. Buckholtz, Capt. Curtis, R.N. Ald, Douglas, J. Fierson, H. C. Marsh, Paul Beygrau,

and Rev. E. G. Miller. for volunteers (ladies or gentlemen) to assist in securing subscriptions for the fund necessary for the purchase of a the expenses of the recent election. lifeboat. The response, it was stated, was not encouraging. Thanks were extended the press for their gratuitous

It was announced by the secretary that a list of the wrecks which have that a list of the wrecks which have occurred on the West Coast during the Lewis, and the work was very necespast ten years had been prepared and forwarded to Ottawa. He mentioned, incidentally, that within the past two of the High school grounds as well. wing to the report of the prompt action being taken by the government school grounds until next year. with reference to lifeboats and life-

was decided to defer further action for quested that he bring to the attention it is the intention of the department be partially closed in

Rev. Mr. Miller volunteered for ac- the buildings and grounds committee tive service in the collection of sub- for report. acquainted with the "Wreck and Sal- land at a point where some people were scriptions should a fund still be conseen on shore. The bluejackets re- sidered necessary. His assistance was tention to the common practice of ap-

possibly have gone in, but it could News, London, referring to the West so that trespassing might be prevented. provided for that than for the salving fered to supply a barrel of provisions by Capt. Curtis. It follows: "Few this was done in one case it should be if the Egeria men would take it on places in the world have such a dead- done in all. She foresaw possible conshore, and when the Topeka boat ly record of shipwreck as the West flict of authority as for instance berowed up to the Lorne it was sug- Coast of Vancouver Island, which dur- tween teacher and janitor over the had not volunteered assistance before the steamer Salvor left Esquimalt harin the surf as far in as possible, and the destruction of 56 vessels and a loss

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins thought to the destruction of 56 vessels and a loss bor. He had communicated with the let it drift ashore. The Egeria men of 711 lives. Within the last month would be no conflict of authority if the Egeria for the purpose of obtaining were quite anxious to assist in the this coast has wrecked the Valencia, janitors control did not begin until the Pass of Melfort with 26 lives, the after the school hours. Hinkson Siddall deposed that he was King David, 7 lives."

was subsequently learned that permis- on board the Czar on the day of the A statement was made to the effect wreck, and the weather was very that Capt. Balcom wished it made do nothing in the way of rescue work. voluntarily send out the Orion to ren- the High school an experiment might see the finish. The best curling for Answering another question put by He believed they approached within der assistance in any emergency on the be tried. Mr. McPhillips, witness said he didn't half or three-quarters of a mile from West Coast. It was resolved that the think he was communicated with by the wreck. The captain of the Czar captain be asked to put in writing wise course, and he moved that it be cess. Strickland, the great skip from communicated with both the Queen what he would be prepared to do, in laid over. The commissioners objected, and and Salvor twice. He understood that order that the committee may be bet-Other matters of minor importance adopted.

he could not say what they were. At came up for consideration, after which

SUBMITTED AS EVIDENCE.

Accurate of Scene of Wreck.

was chief officer of the Salvor. On the relative positions and appearance that an assurance that the local teach-All three have since obtained artist

These officers have also taken occaswas no witnesses on hand at the time sen said he saw something floating ion to express to the management of ried. cointing towards the shore. They stood the court sat, and some delay was thus from the wreck, but he could not say the Times their appreciation of their n to within three-eighths of a mile, occasioned. Finally Harry Cook took that there was any life on board. Capt. enterprise in giving to their readers thereabouts, of the stranded vessel, the stand. He desposed that he was Campbell, however, thought it possible such accurate reproductions of this Taking the glasses they scanned the a diver, and went to the wreck on the that there might be some persons on historic tragedy in the history of Paci-

TO MAKE A PROTEST

field in Schools--Preparing For Convention.

Witness replied in the negative, and ing of the British Columbia School Governor, Hon. J. F. Fulton and Mayor

Capt. Gaudin asked if there were a Capt. Gaudin asked how the men on to which a programme might be framed.

Witness said that without exception | Chairman Huggett reported that he they worked gallantly; everyone of had seen Mr. Dougan, and the latter

throughout and shared their last bit the board that the Rock Bay school with the survivors. No men could work must be connected with the sewer within one month. Referred to the building and grounds committee. duct of Mrs. Patterson was worthy of the strongest commendation, and said the strongest commendation, and said munications from the city clerk notifye more possible to render aid on the continuous for the maintenness coast at low tide than at high ed his firm a bonus for the maintenness coast at low tide than at high ed his firm a bonus for the maintenness could approach the shore—she in the intended to mention the city clerk notify—ing the board of the manner in which the board of the manner in which the composition of the composit correspondence received from the trustees had been dealt by the council.

These were received and filed. Trustee Jay in referring to what he called the "hardy annual" wanted to know what further details of the estimates could be furnished than those already given the council.

The estimates were based on those for the month of January, and this, as far as the trustees knew would approximate the expenditure of other nonth's during the year. He moved that the council's request for a conference to be held for the discussion of the estimates be accepted, and that the board meet with the council to-day. The motion was approved.

The secretary of the Vancouver board of school trustees wrote asking for a copy of the estimates of the local trustees in exchange for that of the Ter-After the usual formalities it was minal City board's. The request was proposed that the sub-committee on collecting had made lengthy appeals that the two compared favorably. The finance committee reported ac-

counts totalling \$914.62. This included The buildings and grounds committee reported recommending that the Central school grounds be graded at a cost not exceeding \$235.

There was a great deal of stagnant

Trustee Lewis said that the commityears about 300 lives had been lost tee had only \$300 at their disposal, and respectively, were struck and instantly disabled craft was brought into port they thought it well to leave the High

The report was adopted. Superintendent Eaton reported that the specifications it was distinctly wreck. He was asked if the men-of- was published in Monday's Times, it the boys at the High school had reaffirmative. Their boat went within definitely ascertained just what policy The boys ask that part of the basement

The request was left in the hands of

Superintendent Eaton then drew atpointing janitors as special constables. An extract from Lloyd's Weekly He suggested this for the High school Trustee Miss Cameron thought if

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins thought there

Trustee Miss Cameron-Why not appoint teachers special constables? Superintendent Eaton said that the from the officers, which would take an rough. He had hoped that the Czar known to the committee that if tele- clothing of the janitors with authority hour or so. It was decided that time could be of some assistance, but the phonic connection were made with the of special constables had been done in C. is rapidly narrowing down to finals weather was too bad, and they could whaling station he would at any time Vancouver. He thought in the case of

Trustee Mowat did not think it a

Trustee Miss Cameron did not see such action had ever occurred. She jewellery. had visions of a special constable carrying off some of the boys to the city lockup. Furthermore the proposed It may not be generally known that it adopted would be a reflection. It people to have Orion sent out. This the wash drawings of the Valencia would suggest that there was a hood-

> It was finally agreed to lay the mat-Supt. Eaton, as president of the Teachers' Institute, reported that the John Irving, all declared that the annual meeting of the institute will be held in Victoria. The meeting had been deferred from Easter and he asked ers be allowed in attending the con

> > This assurance was granted. Trustee Mowat moved that the council be asked to improve the path a sidewalk be built in front of the Kingston street school. This was car- church.

A discussion followed about the council giving up the council chamber to the use of the Victoria Musical Soregular meeting place. It was finally public library.

decided to leave the matter to the superintendent to arrange.
Supt. Eaton next drew attention to the disreputable appearance of Rock Bay school. Referred to the building and grounds committee, Trustee Mowat stating that he would be glad to hear the superintendent recommend

that the school be closed. Chairman Huggett then introduce J. J. Dougan. The latter read part of the programme that had been prepared for the convention of the school

trustees' association. Chairman Huggett asked for sugges tions, but the only one was that o Trustee Dr. Hall, who recommended The Princess Royal Mentioned For Trithat all children of a certain deformed class be removed from the schools. Chairman Huggett then reported

that on Tuesday evening a social gathering will be held which will be attended by members of the House, the Mayor, aldermen and clergy of the Apart from a discussion on and the city. The meeting will be held by B. completing of the arrangements for C. School Trustees Association in asreception and entertainment of those sembly room of the High school. Adwho will assemble at the annual meet- dresses will be given by the Lieut. took the stand and gave practically the same account of that vessel's cruise as had previously been recounted by Capt. Troup.

Answering Capt. Gaudin, witness Answering Capt. Gaudin, witness and it would have been impossible for his ship under such could have used her anchors effective in such a sea. If any aid had been every the ship under such conditions.

The other baship and gave practically the same account of that vessel's cruise and account of that vessel's cruise with the river he saw two dead bodies, the witness replied in the negative, and described the high seas that were running at the time. It would be simply manslaughter to have semt in a boat's occable manner. To accommittee to wait upon the government to enter a strong protest against the present university bill, there was little out of the rovernment of the visitors he wenther was clearer when she committees association and the appointment of the visitors he wenther to wait upon the government to enter a strong protest against the present university bill, there was little out of the rovernment of the visitors he need the number of a committee to wait upon the swall protect. Along the river he saw two dead bodies, the withen the crown that the river he saw two dead bodies, the with the skull of one of which was back in the river he saw two dead gestions for the convention according toes Mrs. Jenkins and the principals of to be given by the Indianapolis, a secthe public schools; printing and press -Trustees Miss Cameron, Mowat and Huggett.

The chairman's suggestions were ap-

Trustee Miss Cameron moved, seconded by Dr. Hall, that a deputation be appointed to wait upon the government and express its strong disapproval of the McGill University bill

now before the House. The motion carried unanimously, and it was arranged that the mover, seconder and chairman should constitute the committee.

Trustee Miss Cameron wanted to know from the superintendent what governs the action of transference of pupils from one school to another. She wanted to know why some applications had been granted and others refused. She believed that the question of toundary lines should be adhered to or else the door of every school be

thrown wide open. Secretary Eaton said he could deal better with individual cases. Trustee Lewis thought it in the best interests of all schools that the principal losing the pupil should always be consulted before a transfer.

Trustee Miss Cameron moved that the superintendent see that properly John Basile. At the point mentioned conducted fire drills be held every month. Someone should be responsible

news to her that the drills were not quence. When the engines were recarried out. new they were.

Trustee Miss Cameron said that she hal visited the Central school and had tion and in dangerous proximity to found the fire equipment in an unworkable condition.

ing them that the board insisted on regular drills being held.

meeting adjourned. CANADIAN NEWS.

Two Girls Killed While Crossing Railway Tracks-Another Fire at Montreal.

killed by a train while crossing the Grand Trunk tracks on the way to

school vesterday afternoon.

Fifty Thousand Damages. Montreal, Feb. 13.-Fire to-day decorner of St. Antoine and Windsor streets. The building was owned by nis Hayes' restaurant, F. Clarke, bar- here and there to get some information

Montreal Cotton Company. Montreal, Feb. 13 .- There was a partial re-organization of the board of directors of the Montreal Cotton Company at its annual meeting to-day. The new board as it now stands numbers new members is taken to mean that the fight which has been going on for months past between the Montreal Cotton and Dominion Textile Company is at an end and that hereafter the two | Esquimalt and the inquiries are now corporations will work in harmony.

Manitoba Bonspeil.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.-The big bonspeil of the Manitoba branch of the R. C. C. and the next couple of days will likely years has been witnessed and the great carnival has been one of unusual suc-Dawson city, has not met with the Trustee Dr. Ernest Hall moved an sweeping success predicted, although amendment that the suggestion be he has curled consistently good, he has been knocked out of all competitions but the international. Of all the strong why one school property should re- eastern rings attending, Flavelle and ceive more protection than another. At O'Connor, both of Lindsay, are the South Park no trouble necessitating only ones left running for any of the

Illness of W. A. Galliher.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.-W. A. Galliher, M. P., is very ill at the home of his cousin here. The exact nature of his sickness has not ret been determined.

Half Million Wanted. Toronto, Feb. 13.-The task of raisthe Queen's endowment fund will soon be finished. Rev. Robt. Laird, who was chosen by the general assembly to lay the claims of Queen's before the people, says that \$220,000 already has been subscribed.

Church Schemes. Toronto, Feb. 12. - For various schemes of the Presbyterian church \$180,000 is still required, according to

statement issued by Alexander War-

den, acting general treasurer of the

WILL APPEAL TO CARNEGIE. Calgary, N. W. T. Feb. 14.-Calgary will ask Carnegie for a grant to the

Engines Broke Down. From present indications there is every prospect that Victoria will have

angular Run-The Lyackson's

THE INDIANAPOLIS

a first class steamer service to Vancouver and Seattle this year. A special

With respect to the reported service ond dispatch to the Times says

"The Puget Sound Navigation Company, which will operate the new steamship Indianapolis, has not definitely decided on what run the vessel will be placed. The company is considering plans for placing the Indianapolis on the Seattle-Victoria or the Seattle-Port Townsend-Port Angeles run. If the vessel is placed on the Victoria route it will have a daylight run, leaving Seattle in the morning and return-

ing in the evening. "The Indianapolis is an excursion steamer and has no staterooms. She is very fast and would be able to make the daylight trip very easily. She cay accommodate 1,250 passengers. The Indianapolis will be repainted throughout and new furnishings installed. It will be about three weeks before the vessel will be put in commission. A crew has not yet been selected."

ADRIFT IN STRAITS.

The little steamer Lyackson, belonging to Valdez Island, where she is used in the log towing business, became disabled off Trial Island when en route to Victoria about 2 o'clock Wednesday. The vessel is operated by Indians. She was in command of Capt. a line which was attached to a skiff and canoe astern got entangled in the propellor. The small craft had been Trustee Miss Jenkins said it was cut loose from the steamer in conseversed the line caught in the propellor was freed, but the engines refused to go ahead again and the crew found themselves in a very awkward posied upside down as a signal of distress, Secretary Eaton said that he will but until late this morning did not atgain write to the principals inform- tract attention. By this time she had drifted over to Discovery Island, from where a message was sent to Capt. This finished the business and the Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, This message stated that a small steamer was flying signals of distress and was drifting about between Discovery Island and Dungeness. Capt. Gaudin, in response, at once instituted a search for a small steamer to send to the rescue and found the government steamer Princess with steam up That vessel was dispatched immediate Glencoe, Feb. 13.—Bertha and Lilian McIntosh, aged ten and twelve years about a mile of Brotchie ledge. The and repairs will be made on her gines by the Victoria Machinery Depot.

At noon Wednesday considerable exstroyed the building at the northeast citement was created in shipping circles over a widespread report that a vessel was on the rocks near Beacon the C. P. R., and was occupied by Den- | Hill. Telephone messages were sent ber; O. Desjardines, fruit store, and J. about the stranded craft and the L. Abie, cigar store. The loss is esti- Driard and other high buildings were used in the hope of obtaining a view of the unlucky craft, but with no success. The vessel was nowhere in sight could not satisfy their curiosity. The B. C. Salvage Company, hearing of the news of the reported wreck from several seemingly authoritative sources, at once dispatched the Salvor into the Straits with commendable promptness The shore line was scanned but nothing of the phantom wreck could be seen. The steamer then returned to being made as to who started the report. It is believed, however, that the story originated out of the report that a small steamer was adrift in the Straits. This vessel sighted a fourmasted schooner yesterday sailing well over on the American side, but saw nothing else on her voyage south.

KILLED ON SLOOP

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: 'An inquest was held on Monday afternoon to inquire into the cause of death of Frank Johnson. Philip Stable gave evidence. Stable, who for a long time was engaged with P. Larson, proprietor of the North Vancouver hotel, was with Johnson and a third man proceeding from Port Harvey to Knight's Inlet on Thursday afternoon last, in a ten-ton sloop. They intended to hand-log in that vicinity. While in Chatham Channel, about ten miles from Port Harvey, the wind died away, and the tug Native, of this city, came along with a scow in tow. The scow was swaying with the tide, and as the steamer passed close the scow. ng half a million dollars wanted for struck the boat, tearing away the headgear. The main boom swung round with the jar, and struck Johnson on the head, knocking him overboard. Stable and his companion had the sloop's boat away in a minute, and in less than five minutes Johnson was lifted out of the water. Although attended to without delay, the only sign of life he gave was a spasmodic

clasping of his hands. "Stable stated in his evidence that nearly all hands on the tug were looking out of the windows at the time, but the tug did not stop for an instant. The weather was clear and the sea calm, and there was half a mile of room on the

other side of the sloop. "The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday, by which time it is expected that the captain of the boat will be in port and his evidence will be obtainable.