

# ONE WHO SANK WITH SHIP TELLS STORY

## Passengers Sitting on Horizontal Side of Empress as Waves Engulf Them.

### ENGLISH RACES ARE COOL

#### Minister Describes Coming to Surface in Tangle of Arms and Legs of Struggling People—Man Goes Mad but Is Saved.

BY REV. JOHN WALLETT, OF LONDON, QUEBEC, May 31.—(Special.)—It was a beautiful day when we left Quebec on board the Canadian Pacific steamship Empress of Ireland bound for Liverpool.

I was awakened about 2 1/2 Friday morning by three melancholy blasts of the siren. The ship appeared to be still, but before the last note had died away I heard a horrible grinding crash and the ship seemed to shake from stem to stern. At first I thought we must have struck an iceberg. I jumped out of bed and ran along the starboard side, where my berth was situated, on the upper promenade deck.

Collier Seen Backing Away. There was a slight haze on the river, and the Norwegian collier Stordstad, that had crunched into us, was slowly backing away from us. By this time there was a perceptible list to starboard, and a first-class passenger who stepped on deck after he lost his footing and slid rapidly to the bulkhead, which injured him severely. He lay there gasping and had to be helped back to his berth again.

I thought things were not serious, and rushed back to my berth to don some clothing. Almost by accident that afternoon I had noticed the life preservers on the top of the wardrobe. I hastily secured it and rushed out on deck. One of the stewards was already unfastening all the deck chairs, that they might be raised in case of emergency, and the sailors apparently had been for some little time attempting to lower the boats.

### English-Speaking Races Calm.

Many people were by this time on deck, but very many never managed even to get so far as that. The list to starboard had increased alarmingly; indeed the port side had become the position usually occupied by the deck. There was little excitement among the women and the passengers of the English-speaking races behaved splendidly. The same, however, could not be said of the foreign element, principally steerage passengers, who swarmed up onto the promenade deck, many of them yelling like terror-stricken animals.

By this time several hundred persons were sitting on the side of the ship, which had assumed an almost horizontal position. Near where I sat on the side of the ship a man who appeared to be a fireman sat with his head between his knees calling loudly on God for help.

Suddenly, without any warning, the vessel plunged into the depths, taking with her all of us who were seated on the side. To me it appeared not so much as though the ship had gone down as that the sea had risen up, a great wave coming along and sweeping her away.

### People Struggled Wildly in Sea.

After a little space I was conscious that was coming to the surface. Of course I had been holding water vigorously all the time and soon felt the welcome air blowing on my face. As one rose to the surface it was terrible to feel the countless arms and legs of people wildly struggling. It seemed almost impossible for any to get through but soon we were being swept in the direction of the nearest boat. On the way there several men clutched at me, fortunately without dragging me down. One big man seized my life preserver and I begged him not to struggle and we might both be saved. A few yards away was a piece of timber about five feet long by three inches square on the end, but when we reached it it helped us amazingly. We swam steadily toward the boat, hearing on every side fearful cries. I did not see a single woman alive in the water, though a little later I saw many floating about dead or unconscious. We reached the boat it pulled away. It was quite full. For a moment despair seized me.

### Japanese Are Patriotic

At this moment, to our joy, we saw bearing down upon us one of the Stordstad's boats and quickly it was alongside. Soon afterward we picked up a Scandinavian who had gone stark mad. He clawed and yelled and shrieked like one possessed, and finally knocked on the head and hauled aboard.

### CAPTAIN MAKES DENIAL

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reached port has made it impossible heretofore to give an authentic statement on her behalf. All connected with the ship deplore the terrible accident, which has resulted in the loss of so many valuable lives. It is not with any desire to condemn others, but simply because it is felt that the public is entitled to know the facts, that the following statement is put forward: "The vessels sighted each other when far apart. The Empress of Ireland was seen off the port bow of the Stordstad. The Empress of Ireland's green or starboard light, was visible to those on the Stordstad. Under the circumstances the rules of navigation gave the Stordstad the right of way. "The heading of the Empress was then changed in such a manner as to put the vessels in a position to pass safely. Shortly after a fog enveloped first the Empress and then the Stordstad. Fog signals were exchanged. The Stordstad's engines were at once stopped and then stopped. Her heading remained unaltered. Whistles from the Empress were heard on the Stordstad's port bow and were answered. The Empress was then seen through the fog, close at hand on the port bow of the Stordstad. She was showing her green light and was making considerable headway.

### Headway Nearly Checked.

"The engines of the Stordstad were at once reversed and full speed and her heading was nearly checked when the ships came together. "It had been said that the Stordstad should not have backed out of the hole made by the collision. She did not do so. As the vessels came together, the Stordstad's engines were ordered ahead for the purpose of holding her bow against the side of the Empress, and thus preventing the entrance of water into the ship. "The headway of the Empress, how-

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### COST IN MONEY IS HEAVY

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The original demands of the United Mineworkers of America in Colorado may be summarized as follows: First—Recognition of the union. Second—A 10 per cent advance in wages. Third—An eight-hour day. Fourth—Pay for "narrow and dead work." Fifth—Checkweighmen. Sixth—The right to trade where desired. Seventh—Enforcement of state mining laws and abolishment of the guard system.

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### BODIES ARE CARRIED ASHORE

#### Supply of Coffins Inadequate for Emergency in Quebec.

QUEBEC, May 31.—The Canadian government when the bodies brought from Rimouski today 138 bodies recovered from the wreck of the Empress. The historic heights overlooking the city were thronged with spectators and the funeral ship moved slowly up the river. The coffins were carried ashore and the work of identification was completed today.

### VETERANS CAMP AT WEISER

#### Sons of Veterans to Meet in Annual Session June 12.

WEISER, Idaho, May 31.—(Special.)—For three days, June 10, 11 and 12, Weiser will have as her honored guests the sons of veterans of the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and the Philippine War, who will gather here from all parts of Idaho to attend the annual convention of the Sons of Veterans.

### JAPANESE ARE PATRIOTIC

#### Money Contributed to Buy Fireworks for The Dalles Celebration.

THE DALLES, Or., May 31.—(Special.)—Japanese residents of the city have joined the big crowd of Dallesites who have become boosters for the two-day Fourth of July celebration which will be staged here. Members of the Japanese colony contributed \$300 for fireworks. The Japanese will have complete charge of the pyrotechnic display, which will be on a barge in the Columbia River.

### TART AMENITIES SWAPPED

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somewhat of a female relative. If this rebellion does not involve a social revolution, what does it promise? Ellen Key and Dora Marsden are not anti-suffragists in the sense that they oppose woman suffrage. They look upon woman suffrage as a part of this social revolution. "Ellen Key pleads for the women as the mother of the child. Dora Marsden in a pamphlet issued by the National American Woman Suffrage Association, says: "The cult of suffragists takes its stand on the weakness and dejectedness of the conditions of womanhood. They give them the means whereby they may be protected. Those of the cult of the free woman, however, while granting this in part, would go on to say that in spite of opposition, we feel within us the stirrings of new powers and of growing strength.

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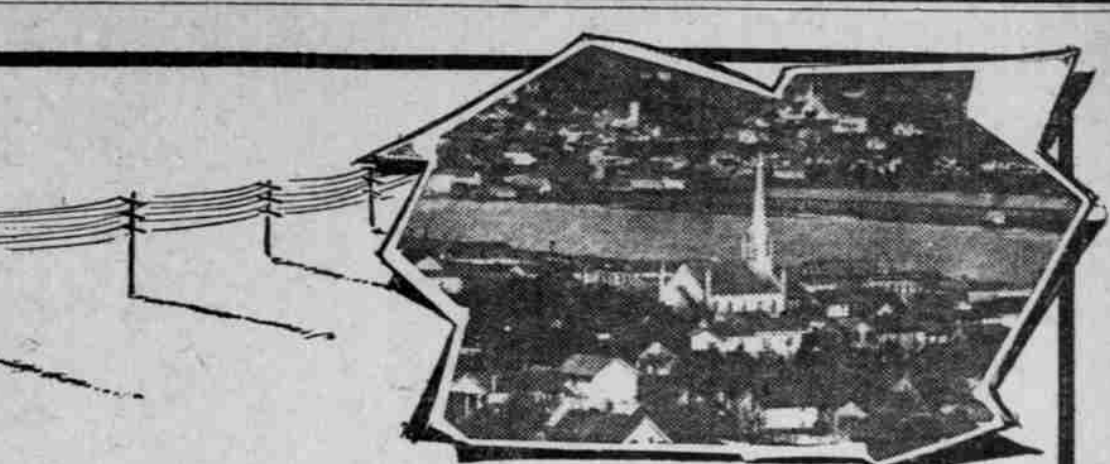


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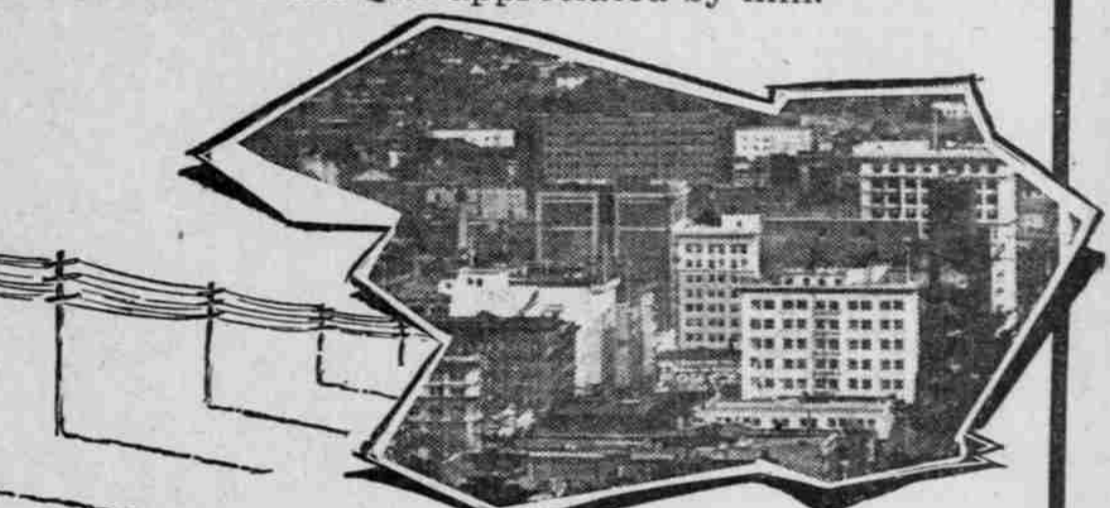
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# RADIO HISTORY TOLD

## Development of Wireless Is Shown to Be Marvelous.

### USE BY NAVY DESCRIBED

#### Captain Bullard, of Arlington Station, Points Out How Weather, Time, Iceberg and Derelict Reports Are Flashed Out.

#### Operators Figure Strikers at 2000.

#### It has been impossible to obtain an accurate census of the men on strike, but a fair approximation places the number at 2000 at this time.

#### Many of the men accounted strikers never worked in the Colorado mines. Not all of them were in the strike line.

#### Many went to the states where no strike. Estimates made by railroad agents and based on tickets sold to miners indicate that this number was between 1500 and 2000. The number of mines in operation now is 141, as compared with 148 last September.

#### Holding that the chief demands of the United Mine Workers, with the exception of union recognition, are guaranteed by the operators, they maintain their original position, namely, refusal to treat with representatives of the United Mine Workers or recognize the union. They maintain a willingness to meet actual employees for the adjustment of grievances.

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#### Shore Stations Are 48.

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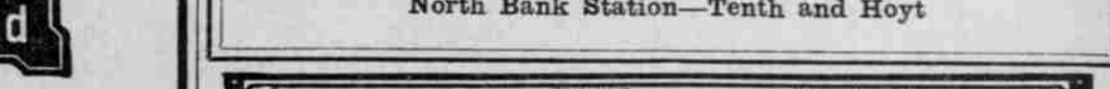
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