

CAPTAIN OF THE STEAMER CHARGED WITH NEGLIGENCE

Result of Coroner's Inquest Into Death of Charles Huson

HE HAD NO AUTHORITY

As Master of the Ship To Leave Before Passengers

Story of the Disastrous Wreck as Told By Survivors

PORT ORFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—"We find that Charles L. Huson came to his death from exposure upon a life raft, having been wrecked on the steamer South Portland, October 19. We further find from the evidence that Captain J. B. McIntyre was criminally negligent in his duties as master in abandoning the wrecked steamer before seeing to the safety of the passengers and crew."

The above was the verdict returned today by the jury empaneled by E. W. Jensen, justice of the peace and acting coroner of Curry county, for the purpose of inquiring into the cause of the death of Charles L. Huson, first assistant engineer of the steamship South Portland, which was wrecked on Cape Blanco reef Monday evening last.

The jury took the testimony of several of the survivors of the wreck and concluded that the captain should be censured for leaving the ship in the first boat.

John Driscoll, one of the officers, stated: "When I came on deck I could see for more than 200 yards. The engine was stopped when we struck, but was started up again after the first boat had left the ship by the mate, who stated that he wanted to get her in as close to the shore as possible. I think the steamer must have run for fifteen minutes with that end in view."

Leslie Barker, a passenger, stated: "Captain McIntyre's boat was the first to leave the ship. I do not know what the captain was doing at the time of lowering the boats; the first I saw of

A Terrible Experience.

Second Officer Ravens tells his experience as follows: "When it was seen that the steamer was doomed I got four men in the starboard boat as it hung by the davits, when I saw that the captain's boat on the port side of the vessel had capsized and I aided in righting it and then returned to my own boat, only to find a number of persons had crowded into it, breaking it from its fastenings. On striking the water it upset. They succeeded in righting the boat and got away, closely followed by the first mate Bruce on the life raft. I don't know how many were with him. This left me in charge of the ship. With me were eleven men, whom I at once set to work building a raft. In half an hour our craft was ready and launched, and the eleven men got on board of it. As I was about to jump I saw that the raft had capsized. It soon righted itself, but the steamer's carpenter was seen floating away on a choppy sea. I threw him a bench from the deck and he was clinging to it when last seen. Then one of the passengers lost his hold on the raft and to him I tossed a hatch which he succeeded in grasping, but he soon drifted out of sight."

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The drier caught fire at about 8 o'clock a. m., presumably from a flag, although the cause is not known, and in a short time nothing was left but a mass of smoking ruins and ashes.

This misfortune came as a peculiarly heavy blow, on account of the insurance having expired at noon the previous day. At the beginning of the season he insured the building in the Oregon Fire Relief Association for \$700, but he only took out a thirty-day policy, and in eighteen hours after its expiration the demon fire had done its work. The loss on the building is about \$1000, and besides about 10,000 pounds of prunes, which were stored there were also destroyed. Most of the

prunes belonged to his neighbors. At the time of the fire the last batch of prunes were drying and in four hours longer would have been completed, and the fires drawn for the season.

The drier was almost new, having been constructed only last summer, and Mr. Blinston is comparatively a poor man and unable to stand the loss.

THEY WILL OUTGROW IT.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 21.—The local feeling continues very bitter over the award of the Alaskan Boundary Commission. There is much talk of annexation and of Canada becoming independent.

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THEY CREATED DISTURBANCE

People Excluded From Dowie Meeting Were Furious

FOUR HUNDRED POLICE

Were Unable to Cope With Situation Until After Meeting

CHECKS AMOUNTING TO \$7700 SENT TO DOWIE IN ONE MORNING—SAINTLY ZIONIST HAS NO LOVE FOR REPORTERS AND EXCLUDED THEM.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Ten thousand of the thirty thousand who sought admittance to Dowie's meeting tonight were admitted. When the 20,000 found they were shut out, a wild demonstration ensued. Four hundred policemen were totally unable to cope with the rush. Men and women were knocked down and several narrowly escaped death. Not till after the meeting broke up, about 9 o'clock, was the crowd controlled.

Grace George, on her way to the theatre, was knocked down and her clothing torn. She says the police handled her roughly. William A. Brady, her husband, a well known theatrical man; Lorenzo Winters, a broker, and Channing Pollock, were arrested charged with disorderly conduct.

Are Hopeless Cases.

"Just to show that I am in favor with the Christian merchant princes of this city," said Alexander Dowie, "I will announce the money which has come to me this morning alone. These sums are from men unknown to me. The checks amount to \$7700." Dowie's sermon a number of students marched out in squads.

"They are like the most students I know," he said, "their brains are in their feet."

For the first time today Dowie ordered the reporters excluded. Those who were seated at the reporters' table were escorted to the door on Dowie's order by his guards. "Clear the table," he said, "and get out of here. You mean dogs, you yellow coundrels of the press. I am paying for this place, you lars. They have sold their souls to the devil. I never hope to convert a reporter."

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TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Mayor Harrison today gave notice of his intention to stop all forms of race course gambling.

Wichita, Kas., Oct. 21.—The official measurement of the track over which Creceus trotted a mile in 1:59 3-4 was made today and found to be 2 1-10 feet more, than a mile long.

Annapolis, Md., Oct. 21.—Robert E. Leewin, the right guard of the Baltimore Medical College, dropped dead in a football game with the navy today. The cause of death is given as cardiac syncope.

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