

HESTIA'S TWO BOATS ASHORE WITH DEAD

**Believed That All Who Left the
Wrecked Steamer in Them
Have Perished.**

VESSEL STRUCK MONDAY

**Six Survivors, Third Mate Says, Had
Been Clinging to Rigging 38 Hours
When They Were Rescued.**

EASTPORT, Me., Oct. 27.—The six men who, half starved and benumbed from exposure, were rescued from their perilous position in the rigging of the stranded steamer Hestia yesterday, are believed to-night to be the only survivors of the forty-one men and boys who were aboard the Donaldson liner when she struck the jagged Old Proprietor Ledge, off Seal Cove, Grand Manan Island, on Monday morning. Three bodies came ashore on the southwest shore of Nova Scotia to-day, two in a boat which drifted on the beach near Yarmouth, and the third in another boat which was found near Salmon River, fifteen miles further north.

There is little doubt, though the bodies have not been identified, that these are the two boats which started off from the wreck, one of which had eleven men aboard, but capsized almost immediately, then righted and was seen drifting away with one lone man, while the other, the Captain's, when last seen from the ship, had twenty-eight men aboard, including two of the other boat's company picked up from the water.

Two more men were pulled aboard the wreck and were included in the six who were rescued by the life savers. These had recovered somewhat from their experience to-day, and were able to give more definite information regarding what actually took place after the steamer went on the ledge. Third Mate Stewart said that the Hestia reached the end of her last voyage on Monday morning, instead of Tuesday morning, as had previously been supposed, and that he and his five comrades who had been unable to find places in the boats, which were launched when it was decided to abandon the ship, remained lashed to the rigging for thirty-eight hours without food or water, before they were taken off by the life savers. One of their number, Seaman Keene, was in a serious condition to-day. So far as can be ascertained to-night, those on board the Hestia comprised Capt. Newman, a crew of thirty-five, three cattlemen, and two boys.

A list of the missing, made up to-day, is as follows: Capt. Newman, First Mate D. McNair, Second Mate J. M. Phelan, Boatswain J. Ganigan, Ship's Carpenter M. Colwell, Seamen John Smith, Breene, Murray, Chelson, and McCangles, Apprentice Boy McDonald, First Engineer D. Munn, Fourth Engineer Best, Storekeeper W. Warneck, a donkeyman, besides a seaman, six firemen, four trimmers, two stewards, a cook, the two boy passengers, and three cattlemen, whose names were not ascertained.

One of the survivors to-day thought there were eight instead of five passengers and cattlemen, and that three instead of two of them were boy passengers, two boys being twins, but he was not positive. If this proves to be correct, they may be Jack and Roy Galloway, for whom there is mail at the agent's office in St. John.

It was believed that the Canadian authorities would take charge of the steamer as far as possible, and prevent the looting of the craft by wreckers, especially as her general cargo includes a big consignment of Scotch whisky.