

Sept 29-98
 Star of Bengal Capt. Harry Thompson
 from Los Sau near ashore
 on Coronation Islands. 110 lost
 27 saved.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—Federal investigation into the loss of the bark Star of Bengal with 111 lives on Coronation Island, September 20, has resulted in the filing of direct charges of responsibility for the tragedy against Captain Patrick Hamilton, of the tug Kayak and Captain Farrar, of the Hattie Gage.

Supervising Inspector Birmingham has not yet decided whether these charges will be tried here, at Seattle or Juneau, Alaska. In the event that the accused skippers are found guilty as charged, information will be filed with the United States Attorney in Alaska, and they will be brought before a grand jury on a felony charge.

Captain Farrar Defends Himself.

BLAINE, Wash., Oct. 7.—Captain Irving Farrar, of the tug Hattie Gage, arrived in Blaine Monday night. His tug was one of those that had a line on the Star of Bengal, wrecked recently in Alaskan waters. He denies the charges against him and declares he was forced to cut his line in order to save his tug and his crew. He claims the storm was the worst he has ever seen in Alaska during 13 years' experience there. He refused to make any statement regarding what action he expects to be taken by the authorities in his case. One hundred and eleven lives were lost on the wreck of the Star of Bengal.

Thompson
 Oct 7

Dec 23-98

Sau Buenaventura - sch from San Francisco to Port North
 dismasted in gale. Towed into Coos Bay
 Dec. 26.

Jan. 13-1909

Sybil Martson { Schenck } ashore
 at Surf. Total wreck 2 lives lost.