

TO PURCHASE MACKINAC**A CHICAGO SYNDICATE WANT IT.****STR. ATHABASCA BACKS INTO A
SCHOONER.**

The steamer Athabasca backed into Gooderham & Worts' schooner St. Louis, at Fort William, damaging one of the staunchions of the bridge of the steamer.

Mr. F. J. Telfer, travelling agent of the N. S. Nav. Co., has returned from Mackinac Island where he spent a number of weeks looking up business for the company.

The C. P. R. steamer Alberta is again on the Owen Sound and Port Arthur route.

Alexander D., Hannah and David Hogg, wealthy Chicagoans, are, it is stated, endeavoring to purchase Mackinac Island, at the northern end of Lake Michigan. It is said to be their intention to spend half a million dollars or more to make the resort similar to Monte Carlo.

The steamer John J. Long is lying at the dry dock pier. Unless trade