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The tug Alfred W., of Duluth, Capt. Frchette in charge, struck a rock at Pie Island and immediately went down in deep water. The crew were all saved, in a boat which fortunately broke away from the tug when it slid off the rock and went down. Part of the crew went to Port Arthur in the small boat, the others waiting until assistance was sent to them. The News, Port Arthur, says: "The five men left at the scene of the wreck were without food, fire or sufficient clothing since early morning, and needless to say were overjoyed at the appearance of the rescuing party. Several of the men had turned out of their banks only partly clothed, and as the tug slid off into the deep water only two or three minutes after striking the rock, they had barely time to get to the deck before she sunk. There was not a match in the party and they had no fire all day. They had erected a rude shelter in the expectation of being left on the island all night.

"With all their hardships the crew were thankful to get off alive, as all realized that almost certain death would have been their lot had not the one boat so providentially broken loose from the tug when she went to the bottom. Otherwise the men would have been left without food or shelter on a bare rock a few yards in extent, far from the track of vessels.

"The Alfred W. came to Port Arthur from Duluth with a mud scow for the Great Lakes Dredging Co. and was returning to Duluth when the accident occurred. She is valued at about \$10,000 and whether she can be floated or not depends on the depth of water where she lies and the extent of the damage to her hull."

The steamer Golspie has again been chartered by the Dominion Government to make the annual supply trip to the different lighthouses on the inland lakes. The steamer has already commenced on the trip and reported at Toronto on Friday. She may reach here in the course of two or three weeks.