

## WRECK REPORT.

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*Eastern States*

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DETROIT &amp; CLEVELAND NAVIGATION CO.

Detroit, September 4, 1912.

Hon. Jno. B. Whelan,  
 Collector U. S. Customs,  
 Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your inquiry of August 30, 1912, will state that the following is reported on the Captain's log of Steamer Eastern States, trip No. 71, September 15th, 1911:

"About 7:29 A.M. Sept. 16, 1911, a passenger by the name of J. H. Pray, jumped over board, from the upper deck aft. We immediately stopped and lowered a boat and got him but he was dead. This occurred, when steamer was just below Grasse Island. We have the names of three witnesses who saw him jump overboard."

As this was a plain case of suicide, kindly advise if you desire the casualty report filled out in detail. Our records show that this was reported to you on Sept. 16, 1911.

(Signed)

Respectfully,  
 Detroit & Cleveland Navigation Co  
 W. W. Schantz,  
 General Manager.

Mailed to Dept. Sept. 5, 1912  
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