Boston Documentation of Shipwreck Remains on Shore South of the Shoals Club on South Beach, Bald Head Island

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## Introduction

A section of vessel remains likely dating to the late 19th century or early 20th century washed ashore (or was exposed by erosion) on South Beach, south of the Shoals Club on Bald Head Island (BHI) in Brunswick County, North Carolina (Figure 1). Because the wreck remains represent a potential hazard for BHI residents and visitors, Village Manager Chris McCall asked Tidewater Atlantic Research, Inc. (TAR), of Washington, North Carolina to prepare and submit a proposal for archaeological documentation of the surviving structure and carry out historical research designed to identify the vessel. The first phase of TAR documentation was carried out on 26 April 2022. The second phase of TAR documentation was carried out on 5-6 May 2022.


Figure 1. Wreck remains on beach below BHI Shoals Club bulkhead.

## Phase I Documentation

The 26 April 2022 TAR investigation consisted of on-site documentation of the vessel remains. The wreck structure lay adjacent to the Shoals Club bulkhead and was completely exposed (Figure 2). With technical assistance from Sam Lohman of Coastal Protection Engineering (CPE) of Wilmington, a systematic high-detail photographic record of the wreck remains was produced. Mr. Lohman, a licensed drone pilot, flew the survey using a 20-megapixel camera equipped Phantom IV RTK drone (Figure 3). The survey was carried out using DJI flight planning software. Image data was collected at several heights and angles to provide sufficient information to generate comprehensive 2D and 3D images.


Figure 2. BHI vessel wreckage completely exposed.


Figure 3. CPE Phantom IV RTK drone and operator.

The drone images were processed by Mr. Lohman and Adam Priest of CPE. ESRI SiteScan software was employed for processing. That software produced high-definition comprehensive images of the wreck remains in both 2D (Figure 4) and 3D (Figure 5) as the data were collected with RTK positioning. All SiteScan images were scaled in North Carolina NAD 83, US survey foot geographical coordinates. That level of positioning permits collection of high-resolution scale images of the wreckage. Those data support post-processing development of highly accurate design and construction recording in images that permit specific feature measurement.


Figure 4. Drone 2D image of BHI shipwreck remains.


Figure 5. Drone 3D diagonal south image of BHI shipwreck remains.

In addition to the drone documentation, measured drawings, and photography were employed to document diagnostic features of the wreck structure. Those features included the futtock dimensions, spacing, and fasteners (Figure 6). The hull plank pattern and fasteners were also recorded (Figure 7).


Figure 6. Futtock dimensions and space.


Figure 7. Hull planking and fasteners.

Details of the shelf timbers and associated deck beam rebates were measured and documented (Figure 8). On the offshore side of the wreck, structure evidence of standing rigging for a mast was partially exposed (Figure 9).


Figure 8. Shelf timbers and associated deck beam rebates.


Figure 9. Mast stay hull strap and shackle hardware.

Given the comprehensive level of Phase I on-site photographic and measured drawing documentation, Island Contracting, Inc. removed the wreck structure from the beach in sections (Figure 10). This process was carried out on 28 April 2022 and did not result in any loss of design and/or construction data.


Figure 10. Sections of wreck structure moved off the beach.

One recovered section was transported to Island Contracting's facility located south of Bolivia, North Carolina. That section was examined by TAR principal investigator Gordon Watts on 5 May to document hull planking which had been inaccessible on the beach. Samples of the hull planking, futtocks, and shelf timber wood were extracted for analysis. Details of the surviving standing rigging were also photographed and recorded by BHI personnel while the associated hull section was still on the original beach location.

## Data Analysis

Examination of the BHI wreck remains confirmed that the structure represents a section of the top side of a sizable vessel. The 65 -foot long section is comprised of hull planking, futtocks, top timbers, and beams that comprised a shelf clamp. The shelf clamp includes a timber with rebates for deck beams. Surviving hull planking out board of the shelf clamp and attached to the futtocks measured $41 / 2$ inches in thickness. Surviving planks ranged from 7 to $81 / 2$ inches in width with $71 / 2$-inch thickness being dominant (Figure 11).


Figure 11. Shelf clamp timbers and futtocks with attached hull planking.

A combination of iron spikes and trunnels secured hull planks to the futtocks (Figure 12). Spikes were $1 / 2$ inch sided. Locust trunnels were 1-1/4 and 1-1/2 inch in diameter and most were secured with wedges.


Figure 12. Hull plank with iron bolt, spike, and trunnel fasteners.

Futtocks and top timbers associated with the BHI wreck structure measured from 11-1/2 to 12 inches molded and from 10-1/2 to 12 inches sided. Those timbers were positioned to create a room and space that varied from $10-1 / 2$ to 3 inches to as much as 12 to $8-1 / 2$ inches (Figure 13).


Figure 13. Example of varying room and space.

Iron bolts (1-inch in diameter) were employed to attach some, but not all, adjacent futtocks with top timbers. Slightly larger 1-1/4-inch diameter iron bolts with cast iron washers were employed to connect futtocks and top timbers to shelf clamp timbers (Figure 14).


Figure 14. Example of shelf clamp bolt with washer.

The shelf clamp consisted of 11 timbers (Figure 15). All appeared to originally be 14 inches molded. With the exception of the top two, all were originally 12 inches sided. The top two timbers measured 10 inches sided and 11 inches molded.


Figure 15. AutoCAD vertical hull section drawing illustrating shelf clamp (left horizontal), futtocks (center vertical), and planking (right horizontal).

The lower surviving top shelf clamp timber was composed of two elements placed one on top of the other and diagonally scarfed (Figure 16). Each measuring roughly 7 inches molded.


Figure 16. Top outboard shelf clamp timbers with diagonal scarf.

Seven shelf clamp timbers were attached directly to the futtocks and top timbers by the $11 / 4$-inch diameter iron bolts with cast iron washers (Figure 17).


Figure 17. AutoCAD vertical hull section drawing illustrating shelf clamp (left), futtocks (center), and planking (right) with the fastening bolt pattern.

The uppermost timber in the shelf clamp measured 10 inches sided and 4 inches molded. Rebates roughly 2 inches deep and 14 inches in width were spaced on 49 to 50 -inch centers to seat deck timbers (Figure 18). Iron bolts, mostly with cast iron washers, were employed to fasten the shelf clamp components.


Figure 18. Top timber in the shelf clamp with rebates for deck beams.

Several elements of standing rigging were also associated with the BHI wreck remains. Those elements consisted of iron straps, shackles, and turnbuckles. The 3 -inch-wide, $1 / 2$-inch-thick straps that attached the standing rigging to the hull (Figure 19) were fitted with shackles (Figure 20). Shackles with eye stubs attached connected the turnbuckles (Figure 21).


Figure 19. Iron straps attached the standing rigging turnbuckles to the hull.


Figure 20. Shackle connected to the hull strap with the turnbuckle stub eye attached.


Figure 21. Turnbuckle attached to the eye stub.

## Identification of Shipwreck Candidate

Based on extensive archival research and surviving structure at the site, the principal investigator is convinced that the remains represent a hull section of the Maine built four-masted schooner Charles A. Dean. According to numerous authoritative sources such as Lloyd's Register of Shipping: Returns of Ships Totally Lost, Condemned, \&c. (1926) and U.S. Coast Guard records, the American-flagged vessel wrecked on Frying Pan Shoals on 13/14 December 1926.

## Holly M. Bean Shipyard

Maine maritime historian Barbara Dyer (2015) commented that "Camden's wooden boat builders were perfectionists", and remarked that during the late nineteenth century to early twentieth century, Holly M. Bean ... "was known as the most successful builder on the Atlantic Coast."

He worked first for John Dailey at the head of the harbor in 1870 to build a brig. He then went to Tenants Harbor with Mr. Dailey to help build a three-masted schooner, which was a new style at that time. Next he built nine vessels with Whitney Long, of Tenants Harbor, before returning to Camden in 1873 to work with Capt. Isaac Coombs. Bean's yard was at the head of the harbor, where the Camden Public Library land is today. Then, he started his own yard two years later. He built the second four-masted schooner, John B. Prescott, which launched in January 1899, and was the first of the five masted in the world. The George W. Wells was launched in August 1900. John Wardwell was designer for many of Bean's boats. Most of the vessels were built for Capt. John G. Crowley, who was manager of the Coastwise Transportation Company. Coastwise transported coal to the New England

Published in 1909, the Board of Trade Journal related that New Hampshire native Holly M. Bean arrived at Camden, Maine ca. 1875 and immediately
... established a yard, built many vessels, seventy-two in all, and made for himself a reputation for fair dealings and for his yard that of turning out the best work. His vessels were literally built upon honor as the term is; no man in his line stood higher than he, and his yard had an international fame for the best possible work. (1909a:349; See Appendix A)

The elder Bean retired during 1909 passing the celebrated "business" to his son despite the fact that there were apparently ... "no buildings, workers nor tools" for Robert L. Bean to receive (Dyer 2015). Despite local skepticism, the younger Bean persevered and build several schooners from 1916 to 1920 (Figure 22). According to the February 1916 issue of International Marine Engineering (IME 1916a:87), "R. L. Bean, Camden, N.J. [sic] will build a four-masted schooner of 1,500 tons carrying capacity". The succeeding issue of IME (March 1916b:113), commented that one merchant vessel was under construction at the shipyard of "H. M. Bean".


Figure 22. Recurring R. L. Bean shipyard advertisement (As presented in: Board of Trade Journal 1909b:336).

By October 1916, the same journal related that "The R. L. Bean Shipyard, at Camden, Me., where the first of the world's six-masted schooners was built, now has contracts for three years' work" (IME 1916c:476). A list of relevant schooners constructed at the R. L. Bean shipyard from 1916 through 1920 is presented in Table 1.

| Official Number | Name | Tons | Construction Date |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 214638 | Percy R. Pyne, 2d | 1341 | 1916 |
| 215501 | Blue Peter | 1234 | 1917 |
| 214808 | Charlotte Maxwell | 668 | 1917 |
| 215825 | Florence B. Phillips | 671 | 1917 |
| 216979 | Edna McKnight | 1326 | 1918 |
| 216001 | Laura A. Barnes | 629 | 1918 |
| 217624 | Charles A. Dean | 1143 | 1919 |
| 218625 | Helen Barnet Gring | 1226 | 1919 |
| 219634 | Robert L. Bean | 1335 | 1920 |
| 220774 | T. N. Barnsdall | 1309 | 1920 |

Table 1. Schooners built at R. L. Bean shipyard during four-year period (U.S. Bureau of Navigation 1932:1012).

## Chronicle of the Schooner Charles A. Dean

The Charles A. Dean was built at R. L. Bean's Camden shipyard over the course of several months commencing in 1918 and was launched mid-day on 4 March 1919 (Figures 23, 24, and 25). The Camden Herald (TCH 1919) published a detailed account of the auspicious event which is presented in its entirely as Appendix B. Excerpts follow for clarity and continuity.

Her keel was laid at quite a sharp pitch so her start was quick and she indeed seemed eager to reach the sea. Her plunge and bow were very graceful and the launching could not have been smoother or more successful. A beautiful bouquet of roses was chosen by Miss Quinlan, daughter of Capt. Peter Quinlan of Baltimore and who has supervised her construction. Capt. Quinlan is well satisfied with this fine vessel and well he may be, for no better built vessel has ever been launched on the Atlantic coast. No work or expense has been spared to make her as staunch and as smooth as possible and her model is just right so that she will be a good cargo carrier. The following are some of the interesting details of her construction: Keel, 180 feet; beam, 41 feet; depth of hold, 20 feet... The net tonnage of this schooner is 1050 tons and she will have a carrying capacity of about 1800 tons. She cost approximately $\$ 200,000$. This schooner like the one launched by Mr. Bean last fall, is for Crowell \& Thurston of Boston, who are having so many fine schooners constructed. They wanted the best schooner that could be built. The most exacting critic must admit that Mr. Bean has given them just what they wanted. [TCH 7 March 1919:1]

A front-page account published by The Morning Sentinel (TMS) on 5 March 1919 provided vital details related to the vessel's initial (and challenging) passage to European waters. The Waterville, Maine paper remarked as follows.
camden, Me., March 4-The four-masted and double decked schooner Charles A. Dean was launched from the R. L. Bean ship yard here today. The vessel built at a cost of $\$ 200,000$ for the Merchant Marine company of Boston took the water in so nearly completed state she will be ready soon to start on her maiden voyage from New York for France. The schooner is of 1175 tons gross and has a carrying capacity of 1800 tons.
[TMS 5 March 1919:1]
Ostensibly, the subject schooner was named for a prominent Massachusetts native and successful businessman and civic leader who retained an office on State Street, Boston in close proximity to Merchant Marine Company. According to the Moosehead Historical Society \& Museums (2016) in a posting entitled "Remembering Our Early Benefactors",

We turn now to Charles Augustus Dean. Mr. Dean was born in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts on June 15, 1844. When the Civil War broke out, he ran away to join the army, specifically Company H, 8th Vermont Voluntary Infantry. After being mustered out in 1864, he settled upon employment in the fledgling paper manufacturing industry, first in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then Rochester, New York. In 1875 he married Minnie Palmer in Woodstock, Connecticut and moved to Boston where he became manager for Hollingsworth \& Whitney. The Deans spent winters in Captiva, Florida, and in 1903 they bought an eighty foot steam yacht that they christened "Aroostook." Such was Mr. Dean's love of salt water fishing. In the summers they retreated to a rustic camp on Moosehead Lake where, it was reported, Mr. Dean went 'to get away from everything.' Perhaps not entirely surprising the camp was located at Kokadjo [Maine] where Hollingsworth \& Whitney had its lumbering operation. [Figure 26; Dean was also associated with the Union Bag and Paper Company ca. 1900]

Soon after its maritime debut, a New York journal reported that the "New four-masted schooner Charles A. Dean ( 1,175 tons gross) was launched from the R. L. Bean shipyard, Camden, Me., March 4, for the Merchant Marine Co. of Boston" (Shipping, 15 March 1919:22). The schooner's first commercial voyage [to France] may have commenced in April 1919. On 28 April 1919, telegraphic news confirmed that the merchant ship arrived at Las Palmas, Gran Canaria [Spanish possession] after clearing the Port of New York (The New York Tribune 13 May 1919:9). Although extant sources do not elaborate on the asserted contract passage to Europe, the schooner apparently made excellent time on its "maiden voyage" and returned to United States waters within three months. International news reported by The Tampa Tribune (TTT) on 11 July 1919 commented that the Charles A. Dean had arrived at Jacksonville two days earlier from Vela De Cora, Venezuela. The American Lumberman (p. 62) stated the schooner was loading lumber at the Florida port on 26 July 1919 "for England".


Figure 23. Charles A. Dean under construction at R. L. Bean shipyard launch (Courtesy of the Barbara Dyer Collection, Walsh History Center, Camden Public Library, Camden ME).

Figure 24. Charles A. Dean shortly after its launch on 4 March 1919 (Courtesy of the Margaret Thomas Collection).


Figure 25. Photograph of Charles A. Dean taken on launch date of 4 March 1919 (Courtesy of the Barbara Dyer Collection).


In addition to the Charles A. Dean, Lloyds Register of Shipping; From $1^{\text {st }}$ July, 1919, to the $30^{\text {th }}$ June, 1920 related that Crowell \& Thurlow of 131 State Street, Boston owned/managed 26 schooners and steamers. Crowell \& Thurlow's subsidiary firms; 1- Atlantic Coast Company, Inc. managed four schooners; 2- Crowell \& Thurlow Steam Ship Company managed two steamers; and 3-Merchants Marine Company managed the 1326-ton schooner Edna McKnight (Committee of Lloyd's Register 1919:41).

In early November 1920, TTT (p. 15) advised interested parties that the Charles A. Dean arrived at Fernandina, Florida in late October and cleared the Florida port on Halloween Day for Brunswick [Georgia]. By Saturday, 20 November 1920, the Wilmington Morning Star (p. 8) verified the fact that the Charles A. Dean had recently cleared Savannah and was now bound for Havana, Cuba.

As of 5 March 1921, the Charles A. Dean was loading phosphate at the Port of Tampa "A.C.L. terminals". At this date, the master of the schooner was identified as "Baker" (TTT 1921a:15). On Saturday, 23 April 1921, a premier Boston newspaper related that the Charles A. Dean was among the Crowell \& Thurlow fleet anchored at the city's port. The Boston Globe (TBG 1921a:5) commented on the historical significance of this maritime news as follows.

More large schooners are in port at present than at any time since before the war. A fleet of four-masted schooners has arrived bringing coal from Chesapeake Bay, lumber and phosphate rock from Florida. During the war tonnage for the foreign trade was in such demand that vessels of this type were sent off shore and rarely engaged in coastwise trade. The fleet of four-masters now here includes the Harry G. Deering, Charles A. Dean, Mary L. Baxter, Mabel A. Frye, Velma L. Hamlin, Paul E. Thurlow, Bradford E. Jones and Helen Barnet Gring, all owned by Crowell \& Thurlow... The Mary L. Baxter, which brought coal from Norfolk, was towed from Delaware by the tug John F. Lewis, because of a broken rudder head.

Legal exhibits associated with a congressional hearing confirmed that the Charles A. Dean delivered coal to Bermuda in spring 1921. In August of that year, Bermuda Bunkering Co. Ltd. (BBC) of New York City advised the U.S. Shipping Board and Emergency Fleet Corporation (USSB-EFC) [Washington, DC] that numerous steamers [owned/managed by the latter quasiagency] bunkered at Bermuda from mid-February to the date of the said letter. In addition, BBC spokesman L. H. Hollender advised the USSB that four American schooners had transported coal to Bermuda. Those vessels and relevant details are presented in Table 2.

| Vessel | Arrival at Bermuda | Tonnage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Josephine A. McQuestin | 21 March 1921 | 2416 |
| Charles A. Dean | 11 May 1921 | 1759 |
| Mabel A. Frye | 25 May 1921 | 1842 |
| Commack | 2 June 1921 | 1873 |

## Table 2. Merchant vessels engaged in Bermuda coal shipments (USSB-EFC 1925:4013).

Bermuda's port superintendent engineer confirmed that the schooner Charles A. Dean did in fact sail to the island during May 1921 to deliver coal to the Berwind White Coal Company [St. Georges]. In his letter ultimately forwarded to the U.S. House of Representatives, J. B. Rowen verified that coal records' discrepancies could be resolved by merely checking the small amounts of coal ..."furnished to various ships for galley purposes"... (USSB-EFC 1925:4019). By late May 1921, the Charles A. Dean was back in American waters as it awaited release from quarantine off Tampa. On 31 May, the schooner was queued in line to load phosphate at the busy port (TTT 31 May 1921b:12).

In early November 1921, The Baltimore Sun (1921a:18) commented in its "Shipping" column that the schooner Charles A. Dean was ... "chartered to load nitrate at Lemoine, Maine, for Baltimore"... Several days later, $\operatorname{TBS}$ (1921b:22) elaborated on its arrival on 14 November ["vessel to W. A. Blake \& Co."] and added "From Lemoine, Maine, the schooner Charles A. Dean arrived with nitrate for the American Agricultural Company. The nitrate is from Government stores intended for war purposes". Shortly before Thanksgiving 1921, the Charles A. Dean sailed to Norfolk, Virginia after clearing Baltimore (TTT 1921c:6).

The Portland Evening Express (1921:14) of Maine reported that the "Schooner Charles A. Dean from Baltimore, with fertilizer, and barges Phoenix, Pocopson, Trenton, Enterprise, and Pennington"... safely reached Bangor by 5 December 1921 despite the imminent threat of ice in the Penobscot River. This story was published under the headline; "Ossipee Ordered To Bangor For Duty As An Ice Breaker, To Keep River Open for Coal Barges".

On Christmas 1921, TBG published this headline; "Bangor's Glory As Port Passes, Closing of Penobscot by Ice No Longer Great Event-Pulp Supplants Lumber". The story remarked that the ... "coming and going of the [yearly] ice blockade was an event anxiously awaited"... by "hundreds of lumber manufacturers, ship owners and brokers, chandlers, millmen, stevedores, rafters and towboat men"... [1921b:43] The Boston paper also commented that

While the Penobscot River is yet open to Bangor and navigation has suffered no interruption, recent snowstorms have thickened the water and a sharp cold snap would shut port up tightly until another Spring. Several sailing vessels, among them the schooners Grand Turk, from Norfolk, and Charles A. Dean, from Baltimore, and half a dozen barges are yet to arrive with cargoes, mostly coal, and with a fair weather chance they probably will get here before the final freeze. The steamer Belfast maintains service between here and Boston, the regularity of her trips of late considerably interrupted by gales... [TBG 1921b:43]

One prominent Bostonian with a keen business and personal interest in the subject river's navigation (and sea-going trade in general) died the previous year. Charles Augustus Dean, successful lumber and pulp-paper magnate, was aboard his yacht Aroostook* off Captiva, Florida at the time of his death. Though retired as its president, Dean served as the director of Hollingsworth \& Whitney maintaining an office at 53 State Street, Boston in close proximity to Crowell \& Thurlow (TBG 1921c). [Named for the Maine waterway Charles A. Dean loved; tradition indicates that this Native American word means "beautiful river"]

The 17 February 1922 edition of The New England Grocer and Tradesman reported on the Charles A. Dean's momentous visit to New Orleans during January of that year. Republished in its entirety by The Louisiana Planter and Sugar Manufacturer (1922:143) some two weeks later, an excerpt follows.

> The four-masted schooner, Charles A. Dean, Capt. C. R. Davis, Jr., loaded at New Orleans with five thousand barrels of molasses for the Boston Molasses Company and sailed from the Crescent City January $18^{\text {th }}$ for Boston, was reported off the Delaware Capes, Monday, this week, and will be moored at the dock of the Boston Molasses Company on the South Boston side of the harbor, discharging her cargo... This is the first full cargo of molasses to come to Boston from New Orleans by sailing vessel, for, it must be, nearly forty years; and it is a commercial event of note. The 5,000 barrels comprising the cargo contain early-made molasses of the new crop. There is a romance and fascination in the arrival of sailing vessels with rich cargoes from various parts, lacking entirely in the case of steamers. It takes us back to the old days when there were sailors who handled sails and trimmed yards, when the cargoes from the seven seas came blowing along driven by the trade winds booming aloft, while the sailors swung the huge yards and trimmed the sails to catch every breath, in order that the ship might reach her port of destination at the earliest moment and be able to take advantage of the best market and fulfill the expectations of her owners and those awaiting the cargo. In the old days sailing vessels brought from New Orleans cotton and molasses, the cotton for Fall River and the molasses for Boston... The Charles A. Dean has two decks... In the case of molasses, with a two or three deck vessel the entire cargo does not rest upon the lower tier of barrels, the weight being distributed between the decks. The New Orleans molasses which reached port [Boston] this week by the schooner Charles A. Dean is the cream of the early crop and its arrival will create a great deal of interest and will be received with enthusiasm by the grocers all over New England, both wholesale and retail, who are anxious to receive shipment of this desirable new crop [of] New Orleans molasses, so pleasing to their customers and so satisfactory in every way to the dealers.

A copyrighted photograph featuring the stern of the Charles A. Dean anchored off a Canal Street dock was captured presumably during January 1922. This image is available for viewing at [http://www.nolavintagephotos.com/images.asp?id=10026](http://www.nolavintagephotos.com/images.asp?id=10026). The excellent quality photograph is incorrectly dated as being produced during 1895.

Owing to the importance of the molasses shipment intended for Boston, TBG (24 February 1922:11) related that "Bringing the first cargo of Louisiana molasses received here in a long time, the four-masted schooner Charles A. Dean, Capt. Davis, arrived in the harbor this morning. The vessel was 37 days on the passage, having encountered considerable adverse weather. The cargo consisted of 4835 barrels of molasses, consigned to the Boston Molasses Company".

Interestingly, stock shares of the Charles A. Dean were sold during March 1922 for $\$ 325$ by the auctioneer firm of R. L. Day. Shares for another R. L Bean built schooner, the Edna McKnight, were also traded in March 1922 by the same Boston auctioneer (Standard Statistics Company 1926). During the same month as these stock conveyances, "The steamer Metapan of the United Fruit company, inbound from Cartegena [sic] collided with the Boston schooner Charles A. Dean off the Barnegat, N. J. [light]" according to the Daily Kennebec Journal (DKJ 25 March 1922:8). The New York Herald edition published Saturday, 25 March 1922 expanded on the marine casualty (Figure 27).


Figure 27. New York Herald account of March 1922 collision (Courtesy of the LOC).

With assurances that there were no injuries, The Pensacola Journal published this tongue-in-cheek account of the 23 March marine casualty involving the Charles A. Dean and steamer Metapan (Figure 28).


Figure 28. Flippant Prohibition Era news story (Courtesy of the LOC).

The 31 March 1922 issue of The Milford Chronicle (p. 5) documented the fact that the schooner's regular master was not at the helm during the collision with this remark; "Capt. Charles R. Davis, Jr., of the schooner, Charles A. Dean, Boston, is home [Frankford DE] from the trip. Since Capt. Davis came home the Dean was run into by a steamer". On Tuesday, 18 April, the Perth Amboy Evening News published a serious-minded story entitled "Schooner Charles A. Dean, Rammed By A Steamer, Is Being Repaired Here". The New Jersey newspaper's story is presented as Figure 29.


Figure 29. Diver investigation and repair report (Courtesy of the LOC).

A District of Columbia newspaper later published a better-quality image of the damaged vessel (Figure 30) commenting that "FAR BELOW THE WATER LINE the schooner Charles A. Dean was struck in a New York harbor collision with the steam-ship Metapan. The bow of the vessel was almost completely severed from the rest of the hull. The photograph shows the Dean under repair in dry dock" (The Washington Times, 25 April 1922:13)


Figure 30. Damaged bow of the Charles A. Dean (Courtesy of the LOC).

In May 1922, The Marine Review (p. 22) commented that the "United Fruit Co.'s metapan ran down the schooner CHARLES A DEAN off Hampton Roads [sic] recently. Several of the METAPAN's bow plates were dented. The schooner's decks were largely awash when she was taken in tow by government cutters." A year after the collision occurred, the repaired schooner was fully engaged in long-distance voyages.

On 1 May 1923, a Boston paper confirmed that the Charles A. Dean reached Gloucester, Massachusetts with a 1600 -ton cargo of salt. TBG (1923:12) remarked that the inbound trip took 18 days. During late October 1923, the schooner cleared the Delaware River after having first entered the Port of Philadelphia from "Port St. Joe [Florida]" (Portland Press Herald 1923:12). In its column, "News of the Ships and Shipping Men", The Philadelphia Inquirer (1923:17) clarified that report confirming that the schooner was bound for Providence, Rhode Island.

Maritime advice published in early summer 1924 confirmed that the Charles A. Dean entered the Port of Boston on Monday, 23 June with a consignment for its owner. Outbound from Jacksonville, Florida, the schooner carried 854,000 feet of lumber ultimately destined for the Boston \& Maine Railroad. TBG (1924:7) also remarked that the Charles A. Dean was sailing with the Helen Barnet Gring [another R. L. Bean built vessel] which also carried a significant lumber cargo from the same Florida port. At this date, Lloyds Register of Shipping; From $1^{\text {st }}$ July, 1923, to the $30^{\text {th }}$ June, 1924 related that Crowell \& Thurlow of 131 State Street, Boston owned both schooners (Committee of Lloyd's Register).

On Thursday, 28 August 1924, The Camden Herald (p. 2) commented that "The schooner, Charles A. Dean, which is unloading lumber for the steamboat wharf was built here in Camden in 1919 by R. L. Bean". By 14 September, the schooner was anchored at nearby Rockland, Maine preparing to sail to Baltimore (TBS 1924:19). An interesting story was published on 27 November 1924 by The Evening Mail of Halifax, Nova Scotia. At that date, the Canadian paper remarked that

Gives Up Command-Captain Allen, who was in Halifax a few days ago looking up a crew for his vessel which is loading at Windsor for Philadelphia, has been obliged to give up the command of the four-masted schooner Charles A. Dean on account of illness, and a new skipper from Philadelphia was expected at Windsor yesterday to take charge of the vessel.

In its 5 June 1925 "Sea and Harbor, ARRIVED" column, a Tampa journal reported that two Crowell and Thurlow schooners were registered at the associated Florida port. Specifically, The Tampa Times (1925:28) commented that the "Charles A. Dean (Am.), Seaboard elevator, Dominican Republic, ballast, to load phosphate. Ella Pierce Thurlow (Am.). Torrey, A. C. L. terminals, Baltimore, [*discharging] 2,200 tons paving brick".

On 23 November 1925, a correspondent for the New York Lumber Trade Journal (NYLTJ) reported that the "Charles A. Dean sailed from Savannah last week to Miami for the Jones-Young Co., with a [lumber] cargo of $1,500,000$ feet"; and that the Robert L. Bean was also chartered to transport the same capacity of lumber from Savannah to Miami. Those and several other four and five masted schooners were "carrying exclusively Southern pine" to Florida ports. NYLTJ (1925:41) elaborated on the brisk coastwise trade with this observation.

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 23.-The enormous building program under way in the State of Florida is taking practically everything the mills can produce, and in addition, water cargoes are coming in from Charleston, Savannah, Mobile, New Orleans, the Pacific Coast, and some of the Eastern wholesalers having concentration yards are shipping by water to Miami.

Shortly after New Year's Day 1926, The Miami Herald (TMH 1926a) advised readers in its Sea Commerce section that the Charles A. Dean was anchored at the foot of N. E. First street loaded with lumber. On Thursday, 18 February 1926, TMH (1926b) reported that the Charles A. Dean was both "Due in harbor today" and "Waiting to enter" the Florida harbor.

By Sunday, 28 February, TMH (1926c) reported that the Charles A. Dean was anchored in the same port's "Yacht Basin". Further details verified that the schooner was loaded with a cargo of lumber for the Virginia Lumber Company and had most recently cleared Savannah. On the same date, at six other schooners under the management of Crowell \& Thurlow were also anchored in the same yacht basin with cargoes of lumber.

The 1 March 1926 issue of American Documented Seagoing Merchant Vessels of 500 Gross Tons and Over related that the 1143 -ton Charles A. Dean was owned by the Boston Maritime Corporation of 131 State Street (U.S. Bureau of Navigation 1926:27). Lloyd's Register of Shipping for 1927 confirmed that Crowell \& Thurlow of State Street, Boston operated 12 steamers and 46 schooners [including the Charles A. Dean] (Lloyd's Register Foundation 1927:48, 1255)

An undated copyrighted photograph presented in the authoritative volume entitled Sail's Last Century, The Merchant Sailing Ship 1830-1930 [Conway's History of the Ship series] shows the Charles A. Dean at Nova Scotia. Efforts to obtain permission from the British publisher and American copyright holder to use the image were unsuccessful. The very detailed caption [UK style] for the excellent image follows.

The four-master schooner Charles A. Dean was built at Camden, Maine, in 1919. She is shown here loading plaster at a wharf at Walton in the Minas Basin, Nova Scotia. Twice a day on the ebb of the Minas Basin's great tides the Charles A. Dean grounded on the hard red mud, so that her keel, some of her frames amidships, and the wharf, took the huge weight of the vessel and her cargo. The vessel was lost on Frying Pan Shoals, North Carolina, in December 1926. (Gardiner and Greenhill 1993:119)

## Charles A. Dean Shipwreck Event (13/14 December 1926)

On 14 December 1926, the New Britain Herald (NBH) printed a dramatic story on its front page entitled "Mutinous Crew Is Threatening Vessel, Ship Aground Off North Carolina-Coast Guard Returns for Guns". The Associated Press column [originating in Wilmington] follows in its entirety.

The schooner Charles A. Bean [sic], loaded with cross ties, Baltimore to Savannah, is ashore on Frying Pan shoals with her officers reported threatened by a mutinous crew. A message from the coast guard said the captain refused to permit the guardsmen to board the vessel because of the mutiny and that the coast guardsmen had returned to their station for arms with which to force their way on board the ship. Four tugs from Wilmington and Southport have started for the scene. [NBH 1926a:1]

A page-four column entitled "S.O.S." Calls Heard" of the aforementioned Connecticut newspaper on 14 December commented that "Calls for assistance were received here [Wilmington NC] today from an unidentified four masted schooner reported ashore on Frying Pan shoals. Four tugs are proceeding to the scene from Wilmington and Southport. A heavy gale is blowing". On the same date, a Norfolk, Virginia informant added additional details about ongoing conditions aboard the grounded schooner. Published by the Douglas Daily Dispatch (1926:8) of Douglas, Arizona, the story entitled "Captain And Crew Will Be Taken Off Ship" stated that

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 14.-(AP)—Armed coast guardsmen on the cutter Modoc, which carries two five-inch guns, tomorrow morning will remove Capt. W. A. Albert, master, and the mutinous crew of the four masted schooner, Charles A. Dean ashore on Frying Pan shoals, off the North Carolina coast, whether they want to leave the ship or not. These were the orders issued tonight by division coast guard headquarters here to the crew of the cutter Modoc, which left Wilmington late today [14 December] for the scene. Coast guardsmen from Oak Island station on the North Carolina coast today found the crew of the schooner in a state of mutiny when they came to her aid. They were not permitted aboard. Both Captain Albert, well known ship master of Boston, who was described as facing the crew single-handed with a gun behind a barricade in the stern of the ship, and members of the crew were said to have ordered the coast guardsmen to keep away from the vessel. The crew also were reported by the guardsmen to have been armed, but the cause of the disturbance on the ship has not been ascertained. Reports to division headquarters, lacking confirmation, said a demented man was aboard the schooner in irons. Coast guard officials were of the opinion that the schooner was driven ashore because Captain Albert was busy defending his life and was not able to steer the vessel properly during a strong easterly wind.

On Wednesday, 15 December, the NBH again advised its readers about the alleged mutiny aboard the Charles A. Dean implicating both the crew and the captain of patently false activities (Figure 31).


Figure 31. NBH 15 December 1926 casualty report (Courtesy of the LOC).

Two days later, The Independent of Elizabeth City, North Carolina published a brief report; which appeared to support unofficial allegations suggesting the onboard mutiny theory asserted by the NBH and other American newspapers (Figure 32).

- dembers of the crew of the
schooner (Charles A. Dean, which
grounded on Frying Pan Shoals,
five miles southeast og Bell Bony,
hate Monday night and is still hard
and fast, were taken from the leak-
ing craft lyy coast suardsmen from
Oak Island station and carried to
the coast Guard station. where they
will be held pending adjustment of
the case. The crew numbers cight.
three whites, including the mate
and five negroes.


## Figure 32. North Carolina newspaper account (Courtesy of the LOC).

Pertinent entries recorded by the Cape Fear Light Station (CFLS) keeper for 13 December 1926 through 17 December 1926, which relied on first-hand accounts and verified on-the-scene information follow.

Dec. 13. Strong to moderate S.W. Partly cloudy, some rain. Doing routine work around station. 14. Moderate S.W. Cloudy rain \& fog. Doing routine work and fixing motor boat stuffing box. A four masted schooner ashore on Frying Pan shoals about 7 miles south of the station [Figure 33; Figure 34]. Was seen by the $1^{\text {st }}$ ass't keeper and reported to Coast Guard at about 1030 a.m. 15. Strong North cloudy \& damp. Doing routine work around station. Schooner still ashore. Tioga standing by. 16. Fresh North Partly cloud \& dry. Doing routine work around station. 17. Moderate variable clear \& dry. Cleaned Lens and dusted down tower steps. Schooner still ashore on shoal. [?] cutter and tugs have pulled on her for two days.


Figure 33. Detail of 1929 USC\&GS Chart No. 1110 Cape Hatteras to Charleston Light (Courtesy of the Office of Coast Survey.


Figure 34. Detail of BHI and Frying Pan Shoals shown on Chart No. 1110.

In the "Coast Guard Section" of Our Navy (1927:26) published after the distress call, Editor Edward Sullivan simply commented that "The Modoc, on December 17, assisted the schooner Charles A. Dean, which went aground on Frying Pan Shoals. The press reported that a mutiny had broken out aboard the Dean, but the Modoc [Figure 35; Figure 36] reported that such was not the case".


Figure 35. USCG cutter Modoc.


Figure 36. 1926 image of Modoc's radio room (As presented in: Zeusler 1926:6).

On 20 December 1926, The Baltimore Sun reported that the "Cutter Modoc [Figures 37 to 39] and four tugs failed to float schr. Charles A. Dean. Savannah for Baltimore, ashore on Lookout Shoals [sic]; water reduced to three feet in hold; no cargo jettisoned yet". On Christmas Eve, the owners of the stricken vessel continued to expect a favorable outcome as follows.

Crowell \& Thurlow, the managing owners of the Boston schooner Charles A. Dean, which stranded on Frying Pan Shoal, Dec. 13, while on passage from Savannah to Baltimore with 800,000 feet of creosoted railroad ties and was reported in dispatches as being a total loss, stated yesterday [23 December] that the vessel had not been abandoned as a wreck. She has 13 feet of water in her hold but the owners say she is in good condition and can be saved if the weather continues favorable. Capt. Clarence Holden has gone to superintending the work. [TBG 24 December 1926:3]

Captain Holden soon concluded that despite concerted attempts to refloat the schooner, it could not be saved and that the valuable cargo destined for Maryland would also be lost. On Tuesday, 28 December 1926, TBG commented that

The four-masted Boston schooner Charles A. Dean from Savannah for Baltimore, which went aground on Frying Pan Shoal recently, will prove a total loss, according to advices received in this city [Boston] yesterday by the owners of the ill-fated craft. She is embedded eight feet in the sand and the bottom planking is shattered. The vessel is being stripped by wreckers. [1926b:4]


Figure 37. 1926 view of Modoc's state-of-the art gyro compass (Presented in: Zeusler 1926:22).


Figure 38. 1926 view of USCG cutter Modoc's bridge (As presented in: Zeusler 1926:5).


Figure 39. 1926 image of Modoc rising broadside to a long swell (As presented in: Zeusler 1926:9).

The most credible shipwreck report was certainly presented by the U.S. Coast Guard. A very lengthy account was memorialized by Lieutenant N. G. Ricketts and included photographs (Figure 40) of the dramatic rescue attempt at Frying Pan Shoals. According to USCG lieutenant Ricketts (1927), the Charles A. Dean ... "was bound from Savannah for Baltimore with railroad ties" when Master W. A. Albert apparently mistook an onshore flashing light for the Frying Pan lightship. Important excerpts from the USCG sanctioned account (not yet discovered in American newspapers) follow.

At 1 A.M. on the following day [19 or 20 December 1926] fire broke out on the schooner, where the throbbing donkey boiler, overheated to make steam for the pumps, had ignited the beams under it. A fire and rescue party was rushed over from the Modoc in a surfboat to put it out. With axes and fire extinguishers they crept into the black smoke-filled hold and crawled over the creosoted ties. These ties gave off fumes themselves that nearly smothered one and made the tears run form the eyes. The smoke made it a thousand times worse, but the fire was put out. SHOALS CLAIM PREY. Meanwhile the wind had sprung up suddenly from the northeast, and the Modoc's men were trapped on the wreck with the schooner's crew. Spray covered the schooner as the shoals began to seethe white again. The very elements seemed to be taking a hand to help keep the schooner in the grip of the shoal and to deliver the utmost in human sacrifice into its insatiable maw. The Modoc and the tugs started pulling in the gale, but everything was against them; everything went wrong. Swerved off by the wind, and current, the Modoc lost her port anchor and part of her chain while heaving up to pull. After an hour and five minutes of full powered strain at forced draft, during which the schooner was dragged 25 feet more towards deep water, the great hawser was parted for the second time, and all bets were off. The little tugs wallowed to shelter at Southport, but the Modoc stood by for her men and the schooner's crew. In the afternoon there came a lull, and the station boat, whose crew had been wet, cold, and miserable for four days now, brought off all hands and transported them to the Modoc for safety. The shoals had been cheated of their human prey this time, but they claimed the vessel for their own. [Ricketts 1927]

Figure 40. Collage of four official USCG photographs presented in: Ricketts 1927.

On 22 June 1927, a North Carolina newspaper published navigation advice under the headlines; "Derelict Ship Menace At Sea, Schooner Charles A. Dean Floats From Beach and Drifts Southward". The entire story follows due to its significance.

Loaded with 15,000 water-soaked cross ties, the schooner Charles A. Dean, which grounded recently off Frying Pan Shoals, floated herself today and is drifting down the coast. The heavily laden craft slipped off the bar early in the afternoon [21 June] and was swept in the direction of Myrtle Beach, S. C., moving in the shipping lanes. She is considered a serious menace to navigation. No human hand is aboard to guide the craft as she drifts helplessly in the darkness. Her crew was taken off when the vessel grounded. First reports regarding the departure of the crew was that a mutiny took place aboard the craft, but it was definitely established that such never occurred. (The Charlotte Observer, 22 June 1927b:3)

## Institutional Consultation

Through the courtesy of the Camden Public Library (Camden ME), historical images of the Charles A. Dean and Blue Peter and relevant archival information were shared with TAR (Ken Gross to Robin Arnold, elec. comm., 17 May 2022; Ken Gross to Robin Arnold, elec. comm., 23 August 2022). Numerous other digital collections archived in Bermuda, Canada, Maine, Massachusetts, and North Carolina were consulted.

Through the courtesy of the North Carolina Underwater Archaeology Branch (Kure Beach NC), the 31 March 2022 BHB0003: Baldhead Shoals Club Wreck report and complete Charles A. Dean Site File were shared with TAR (Nathan Henry to Robin Arnold, elec. comm., 31 May 2022). The author of "Lost Ships of Bald Head Island" (Southerly 2004) was contacted with respect to a potentially relevant image of wreck material photographed prior to November 2004 (Kathy Welliver to Robin Arnold, pers. comm., 15 August 2022). The subject photograph (Figure 41), which may show a larger section of the shipwreck under study is presented through the courtesy of Ms. Welliver.


Figure 41. Undated image of shipwreck remains on BHI (Courtesy of Kathy Welliver).

## Correlation with Contemporary R. L. Bean Schooner Blue Peter

Briefs, affidavits, and exhibits memorialized in the 347-page New York Supreme Court, CASE ON appeal, Charles L. Fuller, Plaintiff-Respondent, against Frederick Starr, Defendant-Appellant (1924:passim) revealed in-depth construction details about the 230-foot Blue Peter which was built at the R. L. Bean shipyard and launched on 4 August 1917 (Dyer 1998:29; Figures 42-46).

The 1918 edition of Lloyds' Register of Shipping confirmed that the two-decked wooden schooner's official number, 215501, was related to the "LHSB". Tonnage for the Blue Peter was listed as 1234 (gross) and 1105 (net). Dimensions were recorded as; length-205.4 feet, breadth40.3 feet, and depth- 18.9 feet. The vessel's homeport was identified as Rockland, Maine and its owners were identified as "Blue Peter Nav. Corp, (W. \& S, Job \& Co. Mgrs)". Built for "the English government" (Dyer 1998:28), the four-masted schooner presented very similar tonnage, dimensions, and construction details as the Charles A. Dean (See expanded launch details for the Blue Peter presented in Appendix C).


Figure 42. Blue Peter under construction at R. L. Bean shipyard (Courtesy of the Barbara Dyer Collection).

## BLUE PETER MAKES CAMDEN HOLIDAY

Camden. Me. Aus. S.-The fourmasted ichooner Blue Peter, named in honor of the Einglish Jack. was launched from F. L. Bean'e shipyard Satur= day. The local band played and the occazion was made a hollday.

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She is the thlrd vessel launehed from the Bean yard this sear. and another pehooner will he ready for launehing there by Nov: 1.

Figure 43. 6 August 1917 Daily Kennebec Journal article (Courtesy of the LOC).


Figure 44. August 1917 launch of Blue Peter (Courtesy of the Barbara Dyer Collection).


Figure 45. August 1917 launch of Blue Peter (Courtesy of the Barbara Dyer Collection).


## Conclusions and Recommendations

The historical evidence and design and construction features of the BHI wreck remains are conclusive in the opinion of the principal investigator. This circumstance appears to be an excellent example of shipwreck remains being identified in conjunction with maritime research. Analysis of the surviving BHI vessel structure provides some diagnostic insight into potential shipwreck associations. The size of futtocks, top timbers, hull planking and particularly the shelf clamp timbers suggests that the associated vessel could have been from 180 to as much as, or even more than, 200 feet in length. Heavy deck beam rebates suggest a vessel designed for cargo stowed below as well as carried on deck.

Analyses of wood samples recovered from the wreck were carried out by Dr. Carol Griggs of the Cornell-Tree Ring Laboratory, Ithaca, New York. Samples from the shelf clamp, frames, and hull planks were identified. None of the timbers proved to be yellow pine as originally thought. Instead, the samples consisted of Douglas fir, Sitka spruce and larch. Those Northwest coast wood specie identifications proved to be a surprise. Not surprising, the trunnel proved to be crafted of locust; a traditional New England specie employed for fasteners (Carol Griggs to Gordon Watts, elec. comm., 5 July 2022). The BHI wood samples continue to be analyzed by Dr. Griggs; a formal report is pending [30 August 2022].

Analysis of the structural remains might never have been sufficient to reliably identify a specific vessel association. In this case, historical research generated conclusive evidence. On 13 December 1926 the Charles A. Dean went aground on Frying Pan Shoal. In spite of efforts by USCG personnel assigned to the cutter Modoc to save the ship, the Charles A. Dean settled into the shoal. When deteriorating weather made conditions at the site too risky, salvage operations were abandoned. The Charles A. Dean broke apart scattering elements of both vessel and a cargo of railroad ties along Frying Pan Shoals and the Smith Island shoreline.

In William Armstrong Fairburn's definitive six-volume Merchant Sail series, the acclaimed naval architect and marine engineer remarked of the historical significance of the Charles A. Dean in this manner.

The big schooners built in the Camden-Rockport district after the construction of the Katherine D. Perry of 1125 tons in 1891, were generally for Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania owners. The last vessel built in the area, the schooner Charles A. Dean of 1, 143 tons, was constructed for the Boston Maritime Corporation [a Crowell \& Thurlow company] in the post-war year of 1919 after shipbuilding had been terminated in the area for a period of ten years. [1945-1955, vol. 5, p. 3448]

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In the death of John W. Penney, of Mechanic Falle on the ist inst, there passed out of the Board of Trade circles of Maine one of the oldest and strongest advocates of organization work in the promoting of general business interests. He caused the creation of the Mechanic Falls Board, and during its first eleven years of life presided over its destinies with signal success. He also took a deep interest in the State Board, and until recent years seldom missed a meeting. Mr. Penney was an able historical writer, and on several occasions contributed most interesting articles to these columns. The world is better for having possessed a John W. Penney,
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That was a great stunt little old Boston pulled off last month when, in fourteen days, it not only raised through popular subscriptions the $\$ 500,000$ it wen after for a new Young Men's Christian Association, but incidentally added an extra $\$ 14,377$ for good luck, besides having pledges for a number of extra thousands to be called for in case of an emergency. It warms the blood to witness such a spontaneous civic movement right in the heart of the so-called cold and conservative New England. "The spirit of the West" has been strikingly exemplified in this first step of the 1915 movement, and will without doubt be an inspiration for the greater achievements now being mapped out.

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President Taft in a recent speech gave splendid advice when he urged the young men to go into farming rather than into the profession. Maine holds out splendid inducements to the wise ones who may see fit to follow his suggestion. Scientific farming is fast replacing former slipshod methods, and the profitable results are at last tending toward the rehabilitation of many abandoned farms through this section of the ocuntry.

The use of the farm for school purposes is winning its way not only where it is desired to train young persons to farm pursuits, but for its general advantages. The farm furnishes many opportunities for scientific study. It has its geology, its chemistry of soils, its plant life, its insects and animals, its birds, and besides, the conduct of a farm requires a practical knowledge of agriculture, some mechanical skill, and, in order to make it profitable, a knowledge of the markets or commerce. A farm school near a city where the school system may co-operate with the farm school, and where this sort of tra ning may be accessible to large numbers, would be a good addition to the present educational scheme. Many youths, if they had some familiarity with farm work, esdecially an intelligent grasd of its varied character.

\% 3 HE shipbuilding industry is still of the highest importance to Maine. There was a time when the Mainebuilt clipper ships were the best of the merchant marine fleet of the United States, and today we are naturally proud of the splendid products of the shipyards of the State, and those who know anything of shipbuilding in Maine have heard of the veteran shipbuilder, H. M. Bean, of Camden.
Mr. Bean was born in Chatham, N. H., July 9th, 1836 , and came to Camden in the fall of 1875 . He became at once interested in shipbuilding and established a yard, built many vessels, seventy-two in all, and made for himself a reputation for fair dealings and for his yard that of turning out the best work. His vessels were literally "built upon honor" as the term is; no man in his line stood higher than he, and his yard had an inter-

H. M. Bean, the Vsteran Shipbuilder
national fame for the best possible work. The same policy is still followed by his son and successor, R. L. Bean.

Mr. Bean built, it is claimed, more vessels large and small than any other man. He built the second four master, the Jonathan Bourne, built in the world. He built the John B. Prescott, the second fivemaster, and then the George W. Wells, the first six-master, today the fastest wooden schooner afloat.
Mr. Bean conducted his business alone until 1899, when he took into partnership his son, R. L. Bean, and the firm became H. M. \& R. L. Bean. In the spring of 1908, he sold his interest in the famous yard to his son R. L. Bean, who is now the sole proprietor.
The yard is finely located on Sea street at Camden, and is close to the steamboat landing. It contains six and a half acres, and the plant is equipped with every possible facility for shipbuilding, and for the turning out of the best possible


The John B. Prescott, built at Bean's Shipyard, Camden, Maine
work. The motto of the firm has been "Only the best" and it is the rule carried into practice everywhere. Whoever builds a vessel should take into consideration the fact that the lives of brave men as well as cargoes of great value must depend upon the material he uses and the workmanship he puts into it, and that has always been kept in mind by those who have in any capacity been employed in the yard, and in his way every man there is a co-worker with the proprietor in the doing of good work.

A first class and thoroughly equipped blacksmith shop is one of the important departments of the yard. The best of raw material is used, and then the iron work is all turned out there and every part of it is thoroughly tested before it is used. There is a finely equipped mill for the wood work, provided with the best and most modern machinery.


Sch. Frank E. Swain,
Launched April 8. 1909, at Bean's Yard, Camden, Me.
three-masted schooner Frank E. Swain, with a capacity of 600 tons April 8th 1909. Oct. 27th, 1909, he launched the threemasted schooner Frank M. Low. She has a capacity of 850 tons and was designed, built and $f u 11 y$ rigged in the yard and was ready for sea when she took the water.
The yard is one of the best located and equipped in Maine, and that is saying a good deal because there are many fine yards still on our coast. Being a thorough believer in patronizing home industry he has tried to make his business of real use to the town. He employs at good wages about sixty hands, and they are local people and all good workmen. R. L. Bean was born at Tennants Harbor, Me. in 1873, and, of course, was brought to Camden when his parents moved there. He was educated in Camden and worked with his father until he became Mr. Bean buys the best of Oregon pine in the logs for the his partner and was practically brought up in the busimasts and spars, and the same care in selecting the material is seen in every part of the plant. The complete rigging is also executed there. Under the management of the present proprictor the oldtime reputation of the yard for the doing of the best possible work has been more than maintained because Mr. Bean has stood ready at all times to adopt new methods or to give a friendly reception to new inventions. He launched the
 ness. He is thoroughly convinced that the Mainebuilt ships of today are better even than the old time and worldfamed clipper ships of the past, and he is very proud of the records made by the strong and speedy vessels built at his yard.

In $1900 \mathrm{Mr} . \mathrm{H}$.
M. Bean built vessels with a total of 64,000 tons, the largest sum total of sailing tonage ever built by one man in one year. manin one year. Mr. Bean is an ac-
tive member of the tivemember of the Trade.

Appendix B

# The Camden Herald 

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## Monday Club, Op:n Meeting.

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who, with gracious hospitality, did everything to make it pleasant for all.
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CAMDEN, MAINE, MARCH 7, 1919.

## BEAUTIFUL LAUNCHING

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| George C. Reddy <br> George C. Reddy, formerly of Pictou, N. S., passed awny at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bessie Walker on Megunticook St., Tuesday night, after a lingering illness. Mr. Reddy is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Bessie Walker of Camden, Mrs. MacDonald of Dorchester, Mass, Mrs. Esdale of Seattle, Wash., and one son, Clifford Reddy of A:nherst, Mass., also by several brothers. Pic- |
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## Corporation Meeting.

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lively in tone and splendid in quality.
Last Sunday experienced a large at. tendance and a lively discussion of
Bolshevism from many points of view. The subject for next Sunday, "Beneficial Social Service," will we opened
for discussion by Rev. T. M. Grimiths
of the Baptist church. The meeting of the Baptist church. The meeting
is at 3 o'clock. All the men in Cam.
den are invited.
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Adelbert J. Tolman, first, Frank B.

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Storer, Everett L. Storer, adminis
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administrator; estate Henrietta H.
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Appendix C

# The Camden Herald 

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Public Library Corner

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ax bal In striving that our country
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$\qquad$ are 13.500 light stations and light
houses, and the United States has a greater number than any
other nation. Thers has been a
rumor that the coast lignts of the
Atlantic would be abandoned during the war, but this, fortunately,
has ben denied. Sandy Hook light
at the entrance to New Yotis harbor, is the oldest standing light tower in
the country built in 1734. One of the
early fog whistles was that placed at fog signal established in this country.
Fog lelis at lighthouses are first
in mentioned in 1820. In 1831, a fog
bell operated by the tide wasinstalled
at Whitebead light station in Maine. These first bells were small and were
rung by hand or operated by the tide,
and those worked by clock work
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$\qquad$ the rock in a heavy gale and where
the force of the storm has been so distance of 60 feet. Matinicus is only less exposed 25 miles from the nearest
port, on a barren rock where neither
tree nor shrub can find lodgment. Monhegan light though far from the
mainland, is on au island of con siderable size, where gardens can be
cultivated and where there is a summer resort colony that keeps up
regular communication with the mailland during the summer season.
Minot's is one of the best known world, the dificulties attending its construction were very greal. The
story of the destruction of the frst light, a little more than a year after its completion, is one of the familiar
incidents in coastwise history. The entrance to the tower is 40 feet above
bigh water and to reach it one musi climb an iron ladder or be huisted it
in a chair. Longfellow once visited in a chanr.
the light and described the view as
fne enough to justify the visit. When the town of Scituate, Massa-
ind ehusetts, recently purchased the old lighthouse which has stood beside the
harbor for more than 100 years io
must many of the inhabitants, the story of
mbigail and Rebecea Bates, the two brave little girls who lived at the
light during the war of 1812. The Observer loves the story and believes who was born in Scituate, so often
repeat it. This light was the most repeat it. This Minot's light was built)
famous (until Mith of Boston. It stood far out on
south on south of Boston. It stood far out on
the point and had always been carefally tended. War times had brought changes, however, just as they are
bringing them now. Women had to fill the places of the men who had
gone to fight and so it happened that gone to ngit and abogail were left
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charge of the light. The men of

CAMDEN, MAINE, FRIDAY,AUG. 10, 1917.


Four Master Blue Peter Added to Merchant Fleet

## Weather conditions were ideal for $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Windlass, blocks and enstings we }\end{aligned}\right.$

 the launching of the four-mastedschooner, Ble Peter bast Saturday the well-known tirm of
forenoon. A clear, sunny day and a
Knorviton Bros. of Camden. The
small boats were built by A. G. Young soft northrwest wind blowing, made it
so faverable that a big crowd of peoso favorable that a big crowd of peo--
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the launching of a big schooner. $\qquad$ departments of the work were as fol-
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Another four-master being con
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New Yors is all framed and the keel New York is all framed and the keel
of another one is now being stretched

two schooners will probably be
for launching in the early fall.

| Норе | Mir. and Mrs. Seldom Bartlett of Portland spent the week-end here the guests of Miss Carrie Quinn. |
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| Mrs. Benj. Nichols of Woburn, Mass., has joined her family at their summer home here. | There will bs a dance Friday evening, Ang 10, at True's Hall for the benefit of the Red Cross. A cordial |
| Mr. and Mrs. Carl Merrifield spent Sunday in Lincolnville, the guests of Mrs. Merrifield's father, Larkin Wentworth. | invitation is extended to all. <br> Mrs. Clara N. Kelley, who bas spent several weeks here left Tues day for her home in Woburn, Mass. |
| Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Dunton of Melrose, Mass., arrived Tuesday to spend their annual vacation at their summer home. | Mrs. Albert Heath is with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Cassidy, ib Rockland. |
| Mr. and Mrs. Eugene True and family from Reading, Mass., are at the Wilder cottage. | ning factory Monday and have commevced canning beans. |
| Earl Cross is drilling an artesian well for L. P. True back of the factory, | Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases at Hodgman's. |
| Miss Ruth Payson of Newfield, N. II., is visiting relatives here. | Interwoven Hose for Men 3 pairs for $\$ 1.00$ at Haskell's. |

## Just Arrived!

## A Cargo of SCRANTON COAL!

Bay View Street, Camden

| Comique | Local Red Cross News. |
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| Thursday, Aug. 9, William Fox pre- | The membership committee of the |
| sents George Walsh in "The Island of | ed Cross did some effe |
| Desire," a story of treebooters at- | this weels and they met with splendid |
| tempting to steal priceless gems frôm | response. Nearly every one was |
| a young girl, are foiled by the bavery | ready and anxious to belp. The |
| of one marr Also Hearst-Pathe News | work resulted in adding three bun. |
| Friday, Aug. 10, Rolfe-Metro Pic- | dred new members so the men |
| ture presenting Lionel Barrymore and | ship of the branch now numbers |
| Irene Howley in "His Father's Son," | 422. Two members of the committee |
| a story of how the father hets his son | had quite a little contest in getting |
| that bescand fiold a 860 a month jold | members, -one ${ }^{\text {andinging in }} 120$; |
| for 30 days. It's a picture full of mirth and romance. Also Metro- | other 129. Guess who won, Joe or the parson. |
| Figmen comedy, "A Modern Romance." | small money |
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| icture, with Mae Murray in "The |  |
| Plow Girl," a tale of thrilling adven- | Oall on Miss Allen any day at the |
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| . Also Burton Holmes Trave | when you can help. On Wednesday evenings there is a class for young |
| v traveling around the Alps. |  | tensity that pictures the inner life o a woman from the time of her first

unhappy marriage to the second in far away South Africa. Also Para mount-Bray Cartoon and a special
reel, "General Pershing's Arrival in France," depicting our American soldier boys welcome in France.
Every patriotic American should see this.
Wed
chapteresday, Aug. 15 , the ninth chapter of the serial, "Patria," en
titled "Cat's-paw and Scape Goat;" also Hearst-Pathe News and othe

Reunion of 19th Maine
The Forcy-nitul Reuniun of the 10th Maine Regimental Association will be
held at the National Home, Togus, on held at the National Home, Togus, on
Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1997. The officors of the Home willextend
to the old veteran regiment a most cordial welcome.
Dinner will be furnished at the
hotel for 50 cents per plate. Special entertainments will be given by talent
at the Home. Special rates will probably be made by the M. C. R. R. round trip.
Comrades are invited to bring their wives or other members of their
family, to enjoy the day with the old

## Martin Reunion

The Martin reunion will be held at
1917. If stormy postponed to the
next fair day. All who possibly can
Fred Elivell, Sec'y.

## Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of Megunticook Grange, No. 423 , held Aug. 1,
the following resolutions were dopted:
Whereas, The Grim Resper once more entered the ranks of Meour beloved sister, Mildred Sheldon, therefore be it
Resolved, That we have lost a woryy and active member from our order cheerful associate, but we have the is her gain in a brighter and better Resolved, That we extend tothe be-
reaved family our sincere sympzthy, nd be it further Resolved, That as a token of our re-
pect our charter be draped for thirty days, a copy of these resolutions be ays, a copy of these resolutions be
sent to the family, one to Tre CanrDEN Herald for publication, and
copy be placed upon our records. $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Flora A. STockwele, } \\ \text { MAUD CARVER, } \\ \text { HENRY CARVER, }\end{array}\right\} \begin{aligned} & \text { Committee } \\ & \text { on } \\ & \text { Resolutions. }\end{aligned}$

## Knight Reunion

The Knight family reunion will bo beld Aug. 28th at the home of Mr.
and Mrs. Otis E. Robbins in Searsont. If stormy the first fair day All who are decendents of the
a mily or married a decendent are ordially invited to attend.
Susie Kniart Robbins, Sec'y.

Children's Wash Suits 50 c to $\$ 2,00$

