

## WATCH THRICE SOUNDED PERIL

Steward Says Titanic's Lookouts  
Claimed They Gave Three Ice-  
berg Warnings.

"NO WONDER OFFICER SHOT  
HIMSELF," SEAMAN EXCLAIMS

Committee Investigation Statement  
Also That Officers Were Drunk  
and Operator's Report.

(Spl. to the Daily Republican):

New York, April 22.—This city is much wrought up over an allegation which was made yesterday in reference to the wrecking of the steamship Titanic. The committee of the U. S. Senate, which is conducting an inquiry, will make a thorough investigation of it.

The allegation brought forward is that the crow's nest lookout thrice reported to Mr. Murdock, the officer on the Titanic's bridge, that icebergs were sighted ahead, despite which the vessel rushed forward at a speed approaching her highest, crashing into the floating mountain which lay in her path.

Thomas Whitley, a first-class steward, now in St. Vincent's hospital as the result of his injuries in the wreck reported the conversation of two lookouts, who, while being rescued, told of reporting three times that there appeared to be an iceberg ahead, the recital concluding with one of the lookouts remarking, "No wonder Mr. Murdock shot himself."

The Senate Committee of the Inquiry, which was in session here at the Hotel Waldorf Friday and Saturday, returned to Washington, there to resume its investigation this morning.

Many witnesses were subpoenaed and several survivors volunteered to testify. Mrs. John Jacob Astor and Mrs. George D. Widener among them.

Sam Klein, a Hungarian-Jewish sailor, now in a hospital at Cleveland, O., tells a damaging story about the officers and sailors on watch on the night of the disaster being drunk on wine passed out from the dining saloon by the steward. He has been subpoenaed.

Indignation was expressed freely when it was learned that T. W. Sammis, chief engineer of the Marconi Wireless Company of America, admitted he sent a wireless to the operator on the Carpathia, telling him to withhold the story of the disaster and sell it on arrival here, while the whole world was in an agony of suspense. Mr. Marconi, the inventor and president, disclaimed knowledge of the suppression of news and deprecated it.

Investigation is being made into the testimony of Harold S. Bride, second operator of the Titanic, that when the "C. Q. D." went out it was answered by the Frankfurt, a German steamship, bound for Bremen, which was believed to be nearer than the Carpathia and which failed to appear to aid. Bride's testimony that he transmitted an ice report received by wireless to the officer on the bridge Sunday evening also will be looked into.