The American schooner Edward R. West, which left here on December 27th with 967,727 feet of ties for Peniente, Peru, was caught in the terrific storms which have raged along the California coast during the past week, and off Point Arena a huge sea struck her, carrying away the deckload lashings. The ties became loosened, doing much damage to the vessel and injuring some members of the crew. After temporary repairs had been made, the captain was discovered to be missing, and it was concluded after searching the vessel that he had been washed overboard. The lost captain was Thomas Stream, a man known and esteemed all along the coast, and hundreds have been shocked at the news of his death. Captain Stream was especially dear to Eurekans, inasmuch as he and his bride were passengers on the ill-fated Walla Walla belonging to the Pacific Coast S. S. Co., which was wrecked twelve years ago, and the passengers of which were brought to Eureka and cared for. The Streams were on their honeymoon trip at that time. During the weeks that the West was loading here, Mrs. Stream and her son, Albert, came from their home at Aberdeen to be near the husband and father, not returning until they had bidden Captain Stream bon voyage on the 27th of December. It was only last week that the West succeeded in reaching San Francisco, bringing with her news of the loss of her captain. A strange coincidence is the fact that Stream was lost at practically the same point where the Walla Walla was wrecked, twelve years ago, almost to the day.