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THE NAVAL DISASTER

During the week a great deal of interest has been excited in Ryde by the news of the disaster to H.M. cruiser Edgar, at Chemulpo. It appears, from the telegram sent from Hong Kong, that a landing party of 71 men, under the Gunnery Lieutenant, was returning to the ship in a pinnace in a heavy sea and strong wind. Although under reefed sails she capsized and foundered when only seven cables' lengths from the ship. Twenty-three men were saved, but the remaining 48 were drowned. So many of the young men of these parts join the Navy that the lists after each disaster show some name from the Isle of Wight. We understand this is the case on the present occasion. One Ryde man is amongst those reported lost -- **HARLAND**, whose friends we learn live in Winton-street.

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