

THE REGISTER 16th MARCH 1905

NOTES AND QUERIES

The Admella Survivor

From Mrs J Avage, Howitt St Wendouree, Ballarat -

Seeing a report in your paper of the 8th inst, where a Mrs Willoughby claims to be the only woman saved on the wrecked steamship Admella, I wish now to contradict that statement as I am the only one that can claim that distinction. I was much surprised to see such an assertion. I used to know well the woman mentioned, and many a time have I related to her the terrible time I underwent; and the statements that she has made are not correct. Also, there is a slight mistake in the name, but I think that was made before; it should have been Miss Ledwith. I was only 21 years at the time. I was brought up in a village called Morphett Vale, 14 miles south of Adelaide, and my parents arrived in Adelaide in the Mary Dugdale. I have two sisters still living in Adelaide, (Mrs Chittleborough, of Reynella, and Sister Bernardine, in St Joseph's Convent, Norwood. I have been a resident of Ballarat ever since, with the exception of one year (1861) which I spent in Adelaide.