



SALVING THE KAIPARA—THE PLIGHT OF A BIG OCEAN LINER

(1) The great mat—made of canvas and stuffed with straw—which was used to cover up the hole in the steamer's plates. The mat is being hoisted into position. (2) Preparations for stopping the leach of water. (3) The mat being lowered over the side, ready to be dragged into position. (4) An unsavoury job. The work of recovering the cargoes of meat became more and more trying as time elapsed and decomposition set in. (5) Part of a snow load of meat ready to be taken to sea and jettisoned. (6) Cakes of cheese and boxes of milk recovered from the Kaipara. (7) Fishing up cargoes of mutton from the holds. (8) A general view during the salvage operations.