

LAUNCH THRILL - - Walmer's new life-boat
makes a bad start, in a side-slip from the slipway at her
naming ceremony.

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Picture:- It's a great day for Walmar. The new lifeboat is to
be--

--launched. It's a wet day, too !

I have a charming view of a beautiful expanse--
--of umbrellas. Lady Southborough ascends the platform to
perform the ceremony of--

--naming. Bottle in hand, she stands - - there's the
christening. Weather--

--and wine prove that Britain has not gone dry. The "Charles
Dibdin" slides gracefully down the slips - - wait a moment ! - -
It's going all skew-wise ! The rain has caused a skid, and
she's off the slipway. The crowd surges forward as one
umbrella. Rain dripping down--

--the neck is no stimulant for a commentator. Willing hands--
--arehelping to adjust the sodden slipway. (PAUSE).

The boat, now resting on the shore--
--must be hauled back and given a fresh start in life.

A large number of well-known people are here watching
operations. Lord Reading is one,--

--Lady Southborough, Sir Godfrey Baring, and many others,
- - but there comes the lifeboat. Carefully guided this
time. (PAUSE).

Coxwain Pearson has a brilliant life-saving record.
He has saved--

--hundreds of souls from the treacherous Goodwins.

Lord Reading congratulates the Coxwain on his new
charge. And so do we all !