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FABER FERRY DUMPS TRUCK

One more black mark against the county ferries was chalked up on Friday when another passenger took a ducking in the cold, cold Skagit River and subsequently had to salvage his truck from about 12 feet of water.

The accident occurred when Jim Hillman's garbage truck had the Faber ferry slide out from under it as he was attempting to drive onto the scow. One other truck had already driven on and the ferryman gave Hillman the signal to come ahead. The truck was half on the slip when the ferry slid out into the stream and dropped the truck into the water. Hillman just managed to get out of the cab as it went under. The ferry had not been tied to the landing.

The truck was hauled from the river, badly damaged by water and sand, and in getting a line on the machine.

The commissioner for this district placed the blame on Hillman for driving onto the ferry when it was not tied securely.