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## Ship-Iceberg Collision Incident Report



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### Vessel Characteristics

<b>Name:</b> Argo (II)	<b>Prime Mover:</b> Steam
<b>Flag:</b> Ireland	<b>Transmission:</b> Unknown
<b>ASPPR Ice Class:</b> Unknown	<b>Power (kW):</b>
<b>Lloyd's Class:</b> Unknown	<b># Propellers:</b>
<b>Baltic Class:</b> Unknown	<b>Prop. Type:</b> Unknown
<b>Vessel Type:</b> Steamship	<b>Service Speed:</b>
<b>Owner:</b> Galway Line	<b>Stern Form:</b>
<b>Registered Country:</b>	<b>Steel Grade:</b> Unknown
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b> 1959	<b><u>Miscellaneous Vessel Notes:</u></b>
<b>Bow Shape:</b> Unknown	Chartered from General Acrew Co.
<b>Stem Angle:</b>	
<b>Dimensions (m):</b>	
<b>Length:</b>	<b>Mass (tonnes):</b>
<b>Beam:</b>	<b>Gross:</b> 2315
<b>Depth:</b>	<b>Net:</b>
	<b>Dead:</b>

### Collision Details

<b>Date:</b> 01-Aug-1859	<b>Air Temperature:</b>
<b>Visibility (nautical miles):</b>	<b>Water Temperature:</b>
<b>Visibility:</b> Unknown	<b>Wind Speed:</b>
<b>Visibility - Fog:</b> Unknown	<b>Wave Height:</b>
<b>Visibility - Snow:</b> Unknown	<b>Sea State:</b> Unknown
<b>Visibility - Light:</b> Unknown	
<b>Collision Speed:</b>	
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## Damage Details

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<b>Damage Sustained:</b> Yes	<b>Damage Report No. :</b>
<b>Scenario:</b> Unknown	<b>Steel Failure Type:</b> Unknown
<b>Severity:</b> Sinking	<b>Size - Length (m):</b>
<b>Location:</b> Unknown	<b>Size - Height (m):</b>
<b>Code:</b> Hole	<b>Damage Below WL (m):</b>
<b>Length of Downtime:</b>	<b>Damage Above WL - Height (m):</b>
<b>Cost of Downtime:</b>	<b>Damage Above WL - Length (m):</b>
<b>Cost to Repair:</b>	
<b>No. Lives Lost:</b>	
<b>No. Injuries:</b>	<b>Cause of Deaths/Injuries:</b> Unknown
<b>Cargo Loss:</b> Unknown	
<b>Pollution:</b> Unknown	<b>Pollution Potential:</b> Unknown

### Cause of Damage:

Collided with an iceberg on the Newfoundland fishing banks. Lat - lon estimated.

### Damage Description:

Sank. Also report that was wrecked at Trepassey Bay, NF.  
<http://www.tinakilly.ie/Pages/history.html>  
"In 1858 Robert became involved in a new venture. A new sea route had opened up from Galway to St. Johns Newfoundland which was the quicker and shorter Atlantic crossing. Emigration from Europe to North America was the new "caroo" and was operating on a massive scale from the major emigration ports of Liverpool.

## Ice Details

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**Ice Briefing Received:** Unknown

**Iceberg Population:**

**IIP Iceberg Number:**

**Sea Ice Concentration:**

**Position of Nearest Known Iceberg:**

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Iceberg Shape: Unknown

Latitude: 0 ' " N

Iceberg Size: Unknown

Longitude: 0 ' " W

Length:

Date of Observation:

Width:

Iceberg Tonnage:

## Route Details

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Geographic Area: Grand Banks

Origin: Galway

Collision Latitude: 46 ° 30 ' " N

Destination: St. John's

Collision Longitude: 052 ° 00 ' " W

Distance:

Locale Accuracy: Estimated

Cargo at Event:

Voyage:

Displacement:

Draft FWD (m):

Captain's Experience: Unknown

Radar Equipped?: Unknown

Radar Details:

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