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## Ship-Iceberg Collision Incident Report



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### Vessel Characteristics

<b>Name:</b> Beaverhill	<b>Prime Mover:</b> Steam
<b>Flag:</b> Canada	<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> Cargo - General	<b>Service Speed:</b>
<b>Owner:</b> Canadian Pacific Railway	<b>Stern Form:</b>
<b>Registered Country:</b> Canada	<b>Steel Grade:</b> Unknown
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b> 1928	

**Miscellaneous Vessel Notes:**

Cargo express ship  
Sunk after stranding 1946.

**Bow Shape:** Unknown

**Stem Angle:**

**Dimensions (m):**

**Length:** 153.3  
**Beam:**  
**Depth:**

**Mass (tonnes):**

**Gross:** 10041  
**Net:**  
**Dead:**

### Collision Details

**Date:** 07-Aug-1939

**Visibility (nautical miles):**

**Visibility:** Unknown

**Visibility - Fog:** Unknown

**Visibility - Snow:** Unknown

**Visibility - Light:** Unknown

**Collision Speed:**

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**Air Temperature:**

**Water Temperature:**

**Wind Speed:**

**Wave Height:**

**Sea State:** Unknown



## 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> Denting	<b>Size - Length (m):</b>
<b>Location:</b> Bow	<b>Size - Height (m):</b>
<b>Code:</b> Plate	<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:

Hit a [small] berg at 5:30 a.m.

### Damage Description:

Minor damage to No.4 tank plates. Took on no water and continued to London.  
According to photo caption in Lima news: "They screamed like a baby", said the crew, to describe how the ship's steel plates ground against the iceberg when it hit. Photo taken by engineer Charles Folkes before the ship eased out of menacing, cradle-like berg.

## 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:** Small

**Longitude:** 0 ° ' " W

**Length:**

**Date of Observation:**

**Width:**

**Iceberg Tonnage:**

## Route Details

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**Geographic Area:** Strait of Belle Isle and

**Origin:** Montreal

**Collision Latitude:** 51 ° 58 ' " N

**Destination:** London

**Collision Longitude:** 054 ° 18 ' " W

**Distance:**

**Locale Accuracy:** Known

**Cargo at Event:**

**Voyage:**

**Displacement:**

**Draft FWD (m):**

**Captain's Experience:** Unknown

**Radar Equipped?:** Unknown

**Radar Details:**

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