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Ship-Iceberg Collision Incident Report



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Vessel Characteristics

Name: City of Rome	Prime Mover: Steam	
Flag: UK	Transmission: Unknown	
ASPPR Ice Class: Unknown	Power (kW):	
Lloyd's Class: Unknown	# Propellers: 1	
Baltic Class: Unknown	Prop. Type: Unknown	
Vessel Type: Passenger	Service Speed: 16	
Owner: Anchor Line	Stern Form:	
Registered Country: UK	Steel Grade: Unknown	
Year of Manufacture: 1881	<u>Miscellaneous Vessel Notes:</u>	
Bow Shape: Clipper	~1400 passenger ship. Scrapped 1902 Sheer Strake 0.75" Waterline Plate 0.69" Turn of Bilge 0.75" Bottom Plate 0.75"	
Stem Angle:		
<u>Dimensions (m):</u>		<u>Mass (tonnes):</u>
Length: 170.7		Gross: 8415
Beam: 15.9		Net:
Depth:	Dead:	

Collision Details

Date: 31-Aug-1899	Air Temperature:
Visibility (nautical miles):	Water Temperature:
Visibility: Poor	Wind Speed:
Visibility - Fog: Fog	Wave Height:
Visibility - Snow: Unknown	Sea State: Unknown
Visibility - Light: Daylight	
Collision Speed: 8	
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Damage Details

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

Cause of Damage:

Struck a berg (growler) at half speed in fog at noon in the North Atlantic. Some accounts at 2 knots.

Damage Description:

Bow stove below waterline, figurehead broken, but growler cut in two. Proceeded slowly to New York with bow down and almost awash arriving September 6. Accounts vary about the amount of damage. 'The Times' reports ship at 2 knots when iceberg sighted and reversed engines but too late to avoid contact. Shock was considerable. Some water got into the forepeak but otherwise she was tight. Some scraping around the ornamental work of the figurehead so the iceberg was a reasonable size.

Ice Details

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: Growler

Longitude: 0 ° ' " W

Length:

Date of Observation:

Width:

Iceberg Tonnage:

Route Details

Geographic Area: Grand Banks

Origin: Glasgow

Collision Latitude: 48 ° 30 ' " N

Destination: New York

Collision Longitude: 048 ° 44 ' " W

Distance:

Locale Accuracy: Known

Cargo at Event:

Voyage:

Displacement: 13500

Draft FWD (m):

Captain's Experience: Unknown

Radar Equipped?: Unknown

Radar Details:

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