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# Ship-Iceberg Collision Incident Report

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### **Vessel Characteristics**

Name: Royal Edward Flag: Canada

Transmission:

ASPPR Ice Class: Unknown

Lloyd's Class: Unknown # Propellers:

**Baltic Class:** Unknown Prop. Type: Unknown **Vessel Type:** Passenger Service Speed: 19

Owner: Canadian Northern Steamships Limited

UK **Registered Country:** 

1907 Year of Manufacture:

Bow Shape: Unknown

Stem Angle:

Dimensions (m): Mass (tonnes):

Length: 160.4 Gross: 11117 Beam: 18.3 Net:

Depth: Dead: **Prime Mover:** Steam

Unknown

Power (kW):

3

Stern Form: Steel Grade:

Unknown

**Miscellaneous Vessel Notes:** 

Originally named "Cairo" and renamed in

Torpedoed & sunk in 1915 with great loss of

life.

### **Collision Details**

Date: 22-May-1914

Air Temperature: Visibility (nautical miles):

WaterTemperature: Visibility: Poor

Wind Speed: Visibility - Fog: Thick fog WaveHeight: Visibility - Snow: Unknown

Sea State: Unknown Visibility - Light: Unknown

**Collision Speed:** 

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## **Damage Details**

Damage Sustained: Yes Damage Report No. :

Scenario: Direct Impact Steel Failure Type: Unknown

Severity: Crushed Size - Length (m):

Location: Bow Size - Height (m):

Code: Plate Damage Below WL (m):

Length of Downtime:

Damage Above WL - Height (m):

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: No

#### Cause of Damage:

Hit a very large berg head on 110 miles NE of Cape Race while going dead slow in a dense fog. Berg was sighted when only two ship's lengths ahead taking a minute to strike head on rather than try to round it and risk serious damage.

#### **Damage Description:**

Extensive damage to bow. Stem twisted by blow and leaking a little in the forepeak. Buckled plates.

### 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: ° ' " N

Iceberg Size: Very Large Longitude: ° ' " W

Length: Date of Observation:

Width:

Iceberg Tonnage:

## **Route Details**

Geographic Area: Grand Banks

Collision Latitude: 48  $^{\circ}$  00  $^{\prime}$  " N

Collision Longitude: 051 ° 00 ' " W

Locale Accuracy: Known

Voyage:

Displacement: Draft FWD (m):

Captain's Experience: Unknown

Radar Equipped?: Unknown

**Radar Details:** 

Origin: Montreal

Destination: Avonmouth, UK

Distance:

Cargo at Event:

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