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Wreck Report No.

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REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Date of writing this report 15th September, 19 55.

Ship's Name s.s. "LORADORE"

of London

Tons { Gross 5297
Net 3232

Built at S. Shields When 1931 1 / Casualty notice sent to Owner 1.9.55. Owner's reply 2.9.55.

Owners Maritime Shipping & Trading Co., Ltd.

Managers Michalinos & Co., Ltd.

Address 160, Gresham House, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.2.

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2,172.

Classification details

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Date of Casualty 13th August, 1955.

Details of Casualty

Became a total loss after striking a reef
at Bird Rock, Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

LORADORE.—Belle Isle Radio, Aug. 13.
—Following received at 11 p.m., G.M.T.,
from steamer Loradore (Sydney, N.S.,
for Montreal): Struck something off
Bird Rock, require immediate assistance.

Grindstone Island Radio,
Aug. 13.—Steamer Loradore ashore east
end of Bird Rock, Magdalen Islands,
5 58 p.m., E.S.T., badly holed forward.
Warship Sackville standing by. No
injuries reported.

LORADORE.—Montreal, Aug. 14.—
Steamer Loradore, bound for Montreal
from Sydney, N.S., cargo coal, this
morning reported aground Bird Rocks,
Gulf of St. Lawrence. Tug Foundation
Vera is proceeding to casualty, also tug
Foundation Josephine II, after delivering
another casualty to Seven Islands, P.Q.
Assistance is being rendered on terms of
Lloyd's Open Form. Surveyor is pro-
ceeding to casualty. (See issue of
Aug. 15.)

Halifax, Aug. 15.—Heavy
seas to-day pounded the steamer Lora-
dore, aground on a reef 15 miles off the
Magdalen Islands, in the Gulf of St.
Lawrence, with a crew of 32 on board.
Officials said that unless she is soon
relieved she may have to be abandoned.
Two tugs worked to free the damaged
vessel in increasing winds. The Lora-
dore, carrying 8500 tons of coal from
Sydney, N.S., to Montreal, ran aground
on Saturday (Aug. 14) in dense fog, and
rinned a hole in her bow. —Reuter

LORADORE.—London, Aug. 16.—The
following messages have been received
from the master of steamer Loradore,
dated Aug. 15:

Weather deteriorating. Vessel grinding
badly, general condition now looking not
too healthy. Tugs not arrived yet but
due to-day.

All conditions worsening, 11 11 bulging
amidships. Still await salvage tugs.
Weather bad. Entire crew cheerful.

Beginning to crack. Still awaiting tug.
May have to abandon, waiting to con-
sult salvage tugmaster. (See issue of
Aug. 16.)

Halifax, Aug. 16.—
Fears that the British steamer Loradore,
aground on a reef at the southern end
of Magdalen Islands, may be pounded
to pieces, have been expressed in Hal-
ifax by Mr. A. G. Sullivan, a spokesman
for the Foundation Maritime, Ltd. Two
of the company's tugs, the Foundation
Vera and Foundation Josephine II, are
standing by the Loradore but cannot
approach her because of heavy seas.
The Foundation Vera has radioed that
the master and the crew of the Loradore
are on board and in no immediate
danger. They may, however, be forced
to abandon ship if the weather gets any
worse.—British United Press.

LORADORE.—London, Aug. 17.—The
Salvage Association have received the
following radio message from their Hal-
ifax office surveyor on board tug Founda-
tion Vera, dated Aug. 16: Steamer
Loradore. Surveyors on board Founda-
tion Vera at Grindstone, Magdalen
Islands, unable to board casualty owing
to rough weather. Radio-telephone con-
tact made with master of Loradore via
tug Foundation Josephine II. Master
advises Nos. 1 and 2 holds badly holed
and cargo disappearing through ship's
bottom. No. 5 tank and aft well deck
split and sagged six feet, severe buckling
and evidence of fracture at No. 3 hold
and thrust seating, oil issuing from vessel
in quantity, machinery and steam piping
fracturing generally. Heavy seas break-
ing over vessel with severe pounding.
Master and crew abandoned vessel by
ship's lifeboat at 3 p.m. to-day and now
on board Foundation Josephine II, pro-
ceeding to Sydney, N.S. Foundation
Maritime Ltd., salvage contractors, have
abandoned. (See issue of Aug. 17.)

London, Aug. 17.—Tug
Foundation Josephine II reported last
night: Steamer Loradore abandoned,
breaking up fast. All hands safe on tug.
All ship's papers safe.

Sydney, N.S., Aug. 17.
—Thirty-two men from the steamer
Loradore have arrived here uninjured
on board the tug Foundation Josephine
II.—Reuter.

Suggested Record

"WRECKED 8,55"

Date of Committee

FRIDAY 16 SEP 1955

Committee's Minute

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LORADORE.—Sydney, N.S., Aug. 18.—
The 32 members of the crew of the
steamer Loradore will fly home to
Britain to-morrow. Officials said the
Loradore was a complete loss.—Reuter.
(See issue of Aug. 18.)

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LORADORE.—Halifax, Aug. 18.—
Steamer Loradore: All holds and
machinery space now flooded, double
bottoms open to sea, after deck awash,
port and starboard shell plating frac-
tured and buckled in way of cross
bunker and vessel's back broken.
Expect disintegration of vessel any time.
In our opinion vessel is a Constructive
Total Loss and recommend that no
further expense be incurred. Advised
lifeboat of Loradore, taken in tow by
salvage vessel Foundation Josephine II,
was lost during passage to Sydney
owing to tow line parting.—Salvage
Association's Surveyors. (See issue of
Aug. 19.)

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