

WEATHER AND NAVIGATION

BAD WEATHER AT BOMBAY

Bombay, Sept. 18.—Precautionary No. 3 signal hoisted by Bombay Port Trust on account of strong wind and very heavy seas in port. All launch services and barge lighter traffic in harbour suspended. — Lloyd's Agents.

BAD WEATHER
IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver, Sept. 17. — On British Columbia coast, mud slides caused severe damage to two logging camps of Canadian Collieries and Catermole Timber Company on Sept. 16; estimates unknown but probably high.—Lloyd's Agents.

HEAVY SNOW IN SOUTH GEORGIA

London, Sept. 16. — The following message has been received from the Administrative Officer at South Georgia, dated Sept. 15: Made visit to Leith Harbour to-day. Snow depths: Plan eight to ten feet, main jetty six to eight feet, average throughout station about ten feet with drifts between buildings up to 18 feet. All shore moorings covered about eight feet. Snow damage: Platers' shop and kino collapsed. Only one vessel afloat at Stromness, no sign of wooden motor vessels SOUTHERN PETER and SOUTHERN PAUL or whalers SOUTHERN FOSTER, BOUVET 1 and SABRA, although one mast visible where last two moored. Snow damage to tanks: Roofs collapsed tank No. 6 near main jetty, also two tanks alongside No. 6 and tanks A and B, also tank M.

THE HURRICANES IN SOUTH-EAST
UNITED STATES

Miami, Sept. 10. — A local Press report, dated Aug. 28, states: "The \$200,000 two-story houseboat ROMAN FORUM, owned by Harold Chaskin, was found half-submerged, rammed against the concrete 63rd Street bridge, where she had drifted, pilotless, after breaking from moorings at the Doral Beach Hotel, two miles north on Indian Creek, as a result of hurricane 'Cleo'. Greek freighter MANOULA also broke loose from her moorings at Dodge Island and drifted aground on MacArthur Causeway." The latter vessel is ex-Navy minesweeper AM 218, built of steel at Tampa in 1944, and powered by two 900-horsepower Cooper-Bessemer diesel engines. She was subsequently refloated by a local tug. When the vessel was drydocked, the only damage apparent was a bent bilge keel. The vessel, which was only recently released by the United States Court after being involved in financial difficulty, has now been sold and is understood to be transferred to the Panamanian flag.—Lloyd's Agent.

Wilmington, N.C., Sept. 11.—Peruvian motor vessel HUALLAGA, Peru for United States Atlantic coast ports with a cargo of bagged fishmeal, arrived at Morehead City this morning with her hull damaged above weather deck as a result of heavy weather encountered in hurricane "Dora."—New York Maritime Association.

Wilmington, N.C., Sept. 12.—Motor vessel HUALLAGA discharging from Nos. 1 and 3 holds 500 tons of fishmeal shipped by A. Martinez-Costas A. Territorial Trading Company, S.A. There is no evidence of seepage into the holds but 10 bags were found to be slightly damp. Next port of call of the vessel is Baltimore.—New York Maritime Association. (Note.—HUALLAGA has since arrived at Baltimore on Sept. 15.)

Miami, Sept. 12. — Hurricane "Dora," which caused damage estimated at £70,000,000, is now between Tallahassee, Florida, and Dothan, Alabama, but its winds have dropped to 45 m.p.h. in scattered squalls. — British United Press.

Miami, Sept. 13. — Tropical storm "Dora" was building into new life in the Carolinas to-day. The Weather Bureau warned there was a better than 50 per cent. chance that "Dora" would become a hurricane again to-night when it reaches the ocean off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. "Dora" deluged the South Carolina coast with up to five inches of rain overnight. Winds of 40 miles per hour were reported and some roads were two feet under water. At noon, G.M.T., the centre of "Dora" was about 60 miles north-east of Charleston, heading north-east at 14 m.p.h.—Reuter.

HURRICANE IN BERMUDA AREA

Miami, Sept. 12. — Gales from hurricane "Ethel" are already hitting Bermuda, the United States Weather Bureau said here to-day. Hurricane winds from "Ethel" were expected to hit the British colony at about 5 p.m., G.M.T., and the Bureau urged precautions against heavy surf, torrential rain and destructive winds. The hurricane's centre was 135 miles south-west of Bermuda, with highest winds estimated at 95 m.p.h. near the centre. Gales extended 200 miles to the north-east. "Ethel" was moving north-east at 10 m.p.h., the Bureau said. The hurricane's size and intensity were expected to remain the same for the next 12 hours.—Reuter.

Miami, Sept. 13. — Gales from hurricane "Ethel" continued to lash Bermuda during the night but were expected to diminish during the day as the hurricane moves off to the north-east at 23 m.p.h. The centre was last located 185 miles north-north-east of Bermuda.—Reuter.

Miami, Sept. 14. — Hurricane "Ethel" was closest to Bermuda at 3 30 a.m. to-day when it approached within 89 miles west-north-west. Winds of up to 80 miles