

REPORT OF SURVEY FOR REPAIRS &c.

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 73284 in R.B. Wreck Book, p. 60/50 Date of writing this report 18th October, 1950

Vessel's Name Twin S.S. "Quebec" of Montreal Tons (Gross 7016 Net 4143)

Built at Lauzon, P.Q. When 1928 5 Casualty notice sent to Owner 28.9.50 Owner's reply 5.10.50

Owner's Name Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd. Address P.O. Box 100, Montreal, 1, Que, Canada

Case previously before Classing Committee.	Date	Particulars of Classification.	
		Last Minute	F100A1 with fld 10,48
		SS No 3-541	TS 1047 CL
		SS No 1-45	For service bet. Mt. Saguenay
		Fitted for oil fuel 5,28 FP about 150°F.	

Date of Casualty 14th August, 1950

Précis of particulars of Casualty Fire broke out on the 14th August, 1950, when this steamer was off Tadoussac, Quebec, to which place she returned.

Damage consisted of three decks being gutted and collapsed, a fourth deck more or less gutted and deck plating badly buckled, accommodation and galley more or less gutted, etc.

The Montreal Surveyors reported that in all probability the ship would be condemned as a Constructive Total Loss and in reply to the special casualty notice, the Owners stated that she would not be repaired and that it was their intention to scrap her in the near future.

Canadian Cruising Liner N. LL 168.50
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Fire broke out on Monday night in the Canadian passenger liner *Quebec*, which was on a cruising voyage. She put into Tadoussac, where all her 400 passengers and crew of 150 were disembarked. The fire is believed to have started in No. 1 hold. The owners of the *Quebec*, the Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., have stated that the vessel is a complete loss. The *Quebec*, a twin-screw vessel of 7016 tons gross, was built in 1928 by the Davies Ship Building & Repairing Company, Ltd., Lauzon, Quebec. It will be recalled that in September, 1949, the Canadian Great Lakes cruising liner *Noronic*, owned by the same company as the *Quebec*, caught fire while at Toronto and was severely damaged. There was a death roll of 136.

QUEBEC— Montreal, Aug. 14.—River passenger steamer *Quebec* on fire at Tadoussac this evening, probably total loss; passengers and crew safe.

Quebec, Aug. 14.—The fire on the river passenger steamer *Quebec* is believed to have started in No. 1 hold while the ship was cruising. When the crew were unable to control the flames the master headed for Tadoussac. Some passengers were removed while the ship was going to Tadoussac, while others were taken down ladders to the forepart of the vessel, where they were gathered when she reached Tadoussac wharf. Late to-night firemen were pouring tons of water into the steel-hulled vessel, which is reported to be developing a list. The fire was still burning hours after the *Quebec* reached the wharf. (Later) No casualties among passengers or crew are reported except for minor burns and one began in a linen cupboard. Passengers say they left the *Quebec* because officers said the regular were too dangerous with fire on the amidships section of the change Telegraph Company.

Quebec, Aug. 14.—The Canada Steamship Line to-night that fire steamer *Quebec* and 150 crew and crew of 150 were safely at Tadoussac. A spokesman said at about 5 p.m. near the vessel is a complete loss.

Quebec, Aug. 15.—Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., steamer *Quebec* at Tadoussac wharf;

QUEBEC— Montreal, Aug. 15.—Steamer *Quebec* very seriously damaged; three passengers perished. (See issue of Aug. 15.) " 17/8

QUEBEC— Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 17.—Steamer *Quebec*; preliminary survey shows extensive damage to upper decks, hull not leaking. Owners have arranged for tugs Manoir and Chateau, terms to be based on basis, to tow to Quebec, Tadoussac morning of Aug. 17.—and await result of full survey by Association's Surveyors. (See issue of Aug. 17.) " 19/8

Tadoussac, Aug. 18.—It is said to-day that two more bodies were missing following the fire of the steamer *Quebec* on Monday (Aug. 14). This brings the total death roll up to two. The bodies have been recovered from the steamer, which was towed to Tadoussac early to-day.

QUEBEC— Montreal, Aug. 18.—Steamer *Quebec*: A, B and C decks, comprising passenger rooms, gutted and collapsed, D main deck more or less gutted and deck plating badly buckled, accommodation and galley, &c., under deck more or less gutted but at present inaccessible, and hull plating slightly buckled; machinery and boilers have no apparent serious damage. Vessel is due at Quebec late on Friday, Aug. 18. Further survey and estimate when debris removed and search for remains completed. Salvage Association's Surveyors. (See issue of Aug. 19.) " 21/8

Montreal, Aug. 18.—After trimming, wreck of steamer *Quebec* is now being towed to Quebec by tugs Chateau and Manoir with Salvage Association's approval. Further casualties reported.

QUEBEC— Lauzon, Aug. 20.—Steamer *Quebec* has been towed here by tugs; another body has been recovered. New York Maritime Association. (See issue of Aug. 21.) " 26/8

Suggested Record Damaged by fire 8,50
Date of Committee FRI. 20 OCT 1950
Committee's Minute Damaged by fire 8.50

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