

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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No. ~~40660~~ in R.B. Wreck Book, p. 2/46 Date of writing this report 28th February, 1946
Vessel's Name *Supp. Twin No. 1 "Empire Tigachi"* of London Tons Gross 685 Net 254
Built at *Elsfleth* When 1942 Casualty notice sent to Owner 20/2/46 Owner's reply *X*
Owner's Name *Ministry of War Transport (Frederick T. Everard & Sons Ltd, Ngrs)*
Address *6-8, Fenchurch Buildings, London, E.C.3*

Case previously before { Date
Classing Committee. { Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

Examined LR 1045

1045

DBS 1045/14516

*TS 945
OIL ENGINES*

Date of Casualty *3rd January, 1946*

Précis of particulars of Casualty

Stranded on a reef near Nidingen, South Sweden, on the 3rd January, 1946.

Vessel was severely damaged owing to gales, and on about the 24th January she broke forward of the engine room bulkhead and became a total loss.

No reply has been received to the casualty notice addressed to the Managers on the 20th February.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 4.—British motor tanker Empire Tigachi, Helsingborg for River Thames, cargo Stockholm tar, grounded at Nidingen, outside here, last night. Vessel is hard and fast ashore, with heavy seas breaking over her. Salvage steamer is standing by awaiting moderation in the weather. Part of crew taken ashore by local lifeboat.

LL 5/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 5.—Motor tanker Empire Tigachi remains ashore; south-westerly storm still blowing. No salvage assistance yet possible. Entire crew brought ashore with the exception of master and first officer, who have declined to leave the vessel. (See issue of Jan. 5.)

LL 7/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—London, Jan. 7.—A report dated Jan. 5 states: Motor tanker Empire Tigachi is aground SW. point of reef near Nidingen lighthouse. (See issue of Jan. 7.)

LL 8/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—London, Jan. 8.—A report dated Jan. 7 states: Motor tanker Empire Tigachi; Master and chief officer now landed at Varberg. Salvage vessel standing by, but sea running too high at present to take action. (See issue of Jan. 8.)

LL 9/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 9.—Motor tanker Empire Tigachi is still ashore, position unchanged. Weather slightly improved but no salvage operations yet possible. Master and first officer are now ashore with remainder of crew. (See issue of Jan. 9.)

LL 10/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 15.—Motor tanker Empire Tigachi remains much as before in spite of westerly gales, which have now abated. Salvage operations will be commenced as soon as favourable weather becomes settled. (See issue of Jan. 10.)

LL 16/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 18.—Motor tanker Empire Tigachi: Salvors at stranding place report vessel so severely damaged that she must be considered a total wreck. Salvors now stripping wreck. (See issue of Jan. 16.)

LL 19/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 21.—A considerable quantity of provisions, stores, ropes, &c., were brought ashore by the officers and crew of the motor tanker Empire Tigachi. This property is at present in warehouse at Varberg. In addition, the Göteborgs Bogserings & Bagnings A.B. salvaged some of the vessel's equipment and brought it into this port, where it is now lying in the custody of salvors. (See issue of Jan. 19.)

LL 26/1

EMPIRE TIGACHI.—Gothenburg, Jan. 24.—Motor tanker Empire Tigachi, which stranded at Nidingen, has broken forward of the forward engine-room bulkhead and become a wreck. —"Svensk Sjöfartstidning." (See issue of Jan. 19.)

LL 30/1

Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

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