

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 9060

38652 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 78/35 Date of writing this report 27th November 1935
 Vessel's Name *Steel Twin No 9 Joseph Medill* of *Montreal* Tons {Net 1607
 Gross 2087
 Built at *Newcastle* When 1935 8 Casualty notice sent to Owner 31st Oct. '35 Owner's reply 8th Nov. '35
 Name *Quebec & Ontario Transportation Co. Ltd.*
 Address *1005 McGill Building, Montreal*

Previously before
 Committee.

Date

Last Minute

Casualty

Particulars of Casualty

Overdue

Particulars of Classification.
FAI 4 LMC 835
For Service on the Great Lakes
& Gulf of St. Lawrence (from
April to October) at an
extreme draught of 14'
8,35 CL

This vessel left the Tyne
with a cargo of coal on the 10th August
for Toronto, and was last seen on the
17th August in lat. 57 19 N, long. 26 12 W
by the steamer "Starvangerfjord".

She was posted "Missing"
at Lloyd's on the 30th October.

In reply to the usual
casualty notice the Owners state they
have no reason to believe that the
vessel is still afloat.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

JOSEPH MEDILL. — St. John's, N.F., Sept. 2. — Motor vessel Joseph Medill, owned in Montreal, is now a week overdue and is believed to have foundered off Newfoundland in the storm on Aug. 25. It is feared that several hatches which have been salvaged are part of the wreckage. — Reuter. (Note: — The Joseph Medill left the Tyne on Aug. 20 for Toronto and passed Dunnet Head on Aug. 12.)

JOSEPH MEDILL. — London, Sept. 4. — The following cable has been received to-day from the owners of the motor vessel Joseph Medill: Steamer Empress of Australia, inbound, Sept. 2, noon, passed grey-painted vessel resembling motor vessel Joseph Medill proceeding west in lat. 53 N., long. 44 18 W. (See issue of Sept. 4.)

JOSEPH MEDILL. — St. John's, N.F., Sept. 5. — Motor vessel Joseph Medill: On Aug. 26 five hatches were picked up, "two" at Gull Island, below Northern Bay, "three" at Long Beach, same vicinity "one" Northern Bay, all eight feet long, two feet wide and three feet deep, marked respectively "S 111 over SV1A," "S11 over BV111F," "S11 over B11F," "S11 over S11N," "S11 over B11M." No further wreckage or details since obtained. Press report from Montreal Sept. 4 advises steamer Empress of Australia reports sighting a Lake vessel about 400 miles off Newfound-

land. In reply to inquiry made to Messrs. Swan, Hunter & Wiggin Richardson, Ltd., Newcastle-upon-Tyne, state that they do not recognise the dimensions or markings of hatches mentioned in the above message as applying to the motor vessel Joseph Medill.

JOSEPH MEDILL. — Montreal, Sept. 9. — A schooner left St. John's, N.F., to-day to search in the Atlantic for the motor vessel Joseph Medill, which is now a fortnight overdue on her maiden voyage from Newcastle-upon-Tyne to Montreal with a cargo of coal. The Joseph Medill, the world's largest all-welded vessel, has not been sighted since she entered the Atlantic a month ago, and her owners, the Quebec & Ontario Transportation Company, are gravely concerned. — "Daily Mail" Correspondent.

JOSEPH MEDILL. — London, Sept. 12. — A report received to-day from the builders of the motor vessel Joseph Medill states: The owners have investigated the report of Sept. 3 and they find that it has no substance as applying to the Joseph Medill, about which the last authentic report was on Aug. 17. (See issue of Sept. 5.)

JOSEPH MEDILL. — London, Sept. 13. — The following cable has been received from Chicago, dated Sept. 13: Motor vessel Joseph Medill: Assured sent out vessel to endeavour locate motor vessel Joseph Medill, also notified proper departments, both Canadian and American, and understand they sent wireless messages to vessels to be on the look out for the Joseph Medill.

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Suggested Record

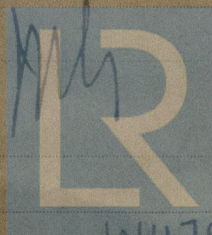
Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

Missing since 8.35.

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JOSEPH MEDILL.—Quebec, Sept. 5. — There have appeared items in the "Montreal Gazette" and the local papers stating that the owners of the motor vessel Joseph Medill, the Quebec & Ontario Transportation Company, at Montreal, have received direct communication from the vessel, which was reported 400 miles E of Newfoundland. I have investigated these reports, receiving direct news from the owners denying these reports and stating they have received as yet no news of this vessel's whereabouts. I also had the Signal Service here wire their station at Cape Race for information, and the reply received late yesterday afternoon was that that point was without any news.—Lloyd's Agent.

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—
The Canadian destroyer Saguenay

received orders to-day to join in the search being made for the missing British motor vessel Joseph Medill, of which no news has been received since Aug. "17." She has a crew of 20 on board, of whom five are Tynesiders and the remainder Canadians.—Reuter.

Halifax, Sept. 14.
—Requests by wireless stations on the east coast of Canada asking vessels to keep a sharp look-out for the motor vessel Joseph Medill have met with no reply.—Reuter.

London, Sept. 14.
—The following information has been received from the master of the steamer Empress of Australia, dated Southampton, Sept. 13: Re the grey painted Lake vessel we sighted in position lat. 53 N., long. 44 18 W. After an interview with the owner, when in Quebec, and seeing the photo of her, we decided it was not the Joseph Medill. The one we sighted was a two-master, but her bridge was amidships but (owing to) the fact of her being grey painted I reported it.

LL 18/9

JOSEPH MEDILL.—St. John's, NF., Sept. 2.—The following report appears in the "Evening Telegram" of Aug. 26: Five steamer hatches were picked up after the storm: one at Bell Island, three at Long Beach and one at Northern Bay. The distinguishing marks on them are: "S.S.V.I.A.," "S.B.B.," "S.B.F.," "S.S.F.," "S.B.F." (See issue of Sept. 7.)

St. John's, NF.,
Sept. 17.—All hope for the overdue motor vessel Joseph Medill was abandoned to-day, when the wireless-equipped schooner Marie Yvonne was ordered back to port.—Reuter.

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JOSEPH MEDILL.—London, Sept. 21.— In reply to inquiry, the master of the Norwegian steamer Stavangerfjord forwarded the following extract from the logbook of the Stavangerfjord, on the voyage from Bergen to New York: On Saturday, Aug. 17, 1935, at 11 14 a.m., G.M.T., the Canadian lake vessel Joseph Medill was passed in lat. 57 19 N., long. 26 12 W. The following flag signals were hoisted on the lake vessel: LEB: Have you got order about port of discharge? MIR: Report me to my owner. LVA: Please radiotelegraph at our expense. AKSI: Montreal, Canada.

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JOSEPH MEDILL.—London, Oct. 30.— Motor vessel Joseph Medill, of Montreal, 2087 tons gross, official number 158631, master Mackintosh, which sailed from Grangemouth for Toronto on Aug. 3, 1935, with a cargo of coal, left Newcastle-upon-Tyne on Aug. 10 and was spoken on Aug. 17 in lat. 57 19 N., long. 26 12 W., was to-day posted at Lloyd's as a missing vessel.



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