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Extract from Algiers Surveyor's letter dated 18th  
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ORIGINAL WITH S.S. "GEORGES ET HENRI"

I expect to be in Oran at early date for  
the s.s. "STYLIANOS CASTANOS" No. 85638 now salved  
and in port for repairs. *minutes*

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 9.—Greek steamer Stylianos Castanos, for Alexandria, cargo timber, aground Vesta Rock, about 20 miles west of Oran. Proceeding on board with surveyor.—Lloyd's Agent.

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**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 9.—Greek steamer Stylianos Castanos aground stem to bridge, plates bent and torn 2 ft. from stem on length of 12 ft. and breadth of 10 ft., approximately. Forepeak and No. 1 hold full of water, No. 2 hold dry. Weather fine and consider steamer's position not dangerous if weather persists. Tried pull steamer off with tugs without success. Consider necessary to discharge part of cargo immediately. Master signed "no cure no pay" contract arbitration London, with Societe Les Goelands, who are commencing discharge of deck cargo to-night.—Lloyd's Agent.

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— London, Sept. 10.—The following cables have been received from Gibraltar:

Dated Sept. 9: Salvage steamer Valkyrien proceeded to render assistance to Greek steamer Stylianos Castanos, aground west of Oran.

Dated Sept. 10: Salvage steamer Valkyrien returned to Gibraltar.

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 10.— Steamer Stylianos Castanos: French steamer Procida and French coasting steamers Maarif and Isly, now employed in transshipping deck cargo. If favourable weather continues possibly refloat Tuesday or Wednesday (Sept. 11 or 12). Consider work proceeding satisfactorily up to the present.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**— London, Sept. 12.—The Salvage Association have received the following radio message from Lloyd's Agents at Oran on board steamer Stylianos Castanos, dated Sept. 11: Discharged complete deck cargo from forepart approximately 900 tons. Endeavoured pull steamer off this evening without success. Zagame now co-operating (under) existing contract. Weather keeping fine.

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**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 12.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos: Making another attempt to pull off to-night, in the meantime arrangements are being made for lightening further if attempt unsuccessful.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 13.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos: Position unchanged. Coasting steamer Maarif left here this morning for discharge of deck cargo aft in order to permit further installation for pulling astern.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**— London, Sept. 15.—The following radio has been received from the master of the steamer Stylianos Castanos via Oran Radio: Position of steamer very difficult, rough sea, strong west wind. Commenced jettison cargo.

— Oran, Sept. 16.—Greek steamer Stylianos Castanos during heavy swell yesterday afternoon ultimately got off rocks and now refloated and in Oran harbour. Divers now visiting (? inspecting) damage.

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 15.— Steamer Stylianos Castanos: Heavy sea last night interrupted discharge and position of the vessel now dangerous. No. 2 hold now full of water.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

— Oran, Sept. 15.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos: Position of vessel now very critical.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

— Oran, Sept. 16.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos: During heavy swell yesterday afternoon steamer ultimately got off rocks and now refloated and in Oran harbour. Divers now examining damage.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 19.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos now moored in Oran harbour drawing 27 ft. forward, 17 ft. aft. Badly holed under No. 1, some damage under No. 2. Proposed diver try to plug No. 2 damage and discharge cargo from forward to gain even keel with object of taking vessel to a drydocking port. About 1500 tons of timber has been discharged and a quantity jettisoned.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.

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**STYLIANOS CASTANOS.**—Oran, Sept. 20.—Steamer Stylianos Castanos: Forward part of vessel to stokehold bulkhead floating on timber cargo, diver cannot effectively deal with bottom damage. No facilities for beaching. Propose contractors deliver vessel at Algiers for drydocking with cargo on board when temporary repair can be effected to permit discharge of cargo.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.



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