

# REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 9299

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Date of writing this report

12<sup>th</sup> April 1937
 Vessel's Name *Steel S.S. "Stancrest"* of *London* Tons *195* Gross *1462*

 Built at *Lewesloft* When *1920* - *10*

 Casualty notice sent to Owner *6/4/37* Owner's reply *13/4/37*

 Owner's Name *Stanhope S.S.Co. Ltd. (J.A. Billmeir & Co., Mgrs.)*

 Address *Holland House, Bury Street, London E.C.3.*

 Previously before Date  
 of Committee. Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

+100A1	SS. Jan 1.3 - 11.32
11.34	+LMC 11.32
	BS 1.37

Casualty

Particulars of Casualty

*This vessel left London on the 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1937, for Bridgewater, & passed St. Catherine's Point on the following day. Since then nothing has been heard of her, & she was posted at Lloyd's as a Missing Vessel on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March.*

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

## OVERDUE VESSEL

**STANCREST.**—London, Mar. 6. — In reply to inquiry with reference to the steamer Stancrest, which left London on Feb. 27 for Bridgewater, and which passed St. Catherine's Point on Feb. 28, Lloyd's Agent at Bridgewater telegraphed to-day: No news of Stancrest at Bridgewater.

**STANCREST.**—London, Mar. 10. — The owners of the steamer Stancrest are still without news of the vessel since she passed St. Catherine's Point on Feb. 28. A search of the Channel was carried out by aeroplane on Monday and Tuesday (Mar. 8 and 9) without result.

**STANCREST.**—London, Mar. 11. — The Press Association states: It is feared that the steamer Stancrest has been lost with all hands. The master, J. T. Jones, and four of his crew, J. Bucklewaite, V. Jones, J. Davies and D. Rees, all come from Aberayron, Wales. The first engineer, J. Oliphant, is of Aberdeen, and the second engineer, J. Howard, is from Blyth. The two firemen are coloured men, J. Said and J. Paleb, of London. Shipping and coastguard stations have made a wide search for the Stancrest, and this week an aeroplane was commissioned at Croydon by her owners. The pilot was instructed to make a search of the Channel and seashore in the hope of finding some trace of the vessel, but for two days, during which he covered 1000 miles, the pilot searched in vain. No wreckage has been reported.

**STANCREST.**—London, Mar. 25. — It is understood that the boat washed ashore four miles E. of West Bay has been identified definitely as being a boat from the steamer Stancrest. (See "Lifeboat Washed Ashore" under "Weather and Navigation" in issues of Mar. 22 & 24.)

**STANCREST.**—London, Mar. 31. — Steamer Stancrest (ex Sheldrake), of London, 462 tons gross, official number 130060, master Jones, which left London on Feb. 27 for Bridgewater with a cargo of cement and signalled Lloyd's Signal Station, St. Catherine's Point, I.O.W., on Feb. 28, was to-day posted at Lloyd's as a missing vessel.

Suggested Record

*Missing since 2.37*

Date of Committee

TUE 13 APR 1937

Committee's Minute

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