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REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 9299

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Vessel's Name Steel S.S. "Stancrest" of London Tons Net 195 Gross 462

Built at Lowestoft 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.

REMAIN

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.

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Previously before Committee.	Date	Particulars of Classification.	

+ 100A1 SS Jan 1.32
11.34 + LMC 11.32
BS 1.37

Casualty

Particulars of Casualty

This vessel left London on the 27th 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 31st March.

Suggested Record Missing since 2.37

Date of Committee TUE 13 APR 1937

Committee's Minute Missing since 2.37

