

# REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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571 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 73/37 Date of writing this report 17th January 1938.  
 Name Steel Y.Y. "Essex Manor" of London Tons (Net 3095 Gross 4994)  
 Sunderland When 1930 3 Casualty notice sent to Owner  Owner's reply

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

Previously before \_\_\_\_\_  
 Committee. Last Minute \_\_\_\_\_

Particulars of Classification.  
 + 100 A1 + LMC 834  
 with freeboard BS. 3, 37  
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 ss. No. 1-34 TS 7, 34 CL

Casualty 1st August, 1937.

Particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have gone ashore on rocks at Erimosaki, Japan, on the 1st August last. She was flooded to water level, the whole of the bottom being damaged.

On the 19th August she was refloated and towed to Yokohama, arriving there on the 24th September, partly floating on her cargo. She was placed in dry dock and very extensive repairs to bottom plating, bulkheads, etc., are recommended.

In reply to inquiry, Lloyd's state by telephone that she has been sold and the Underwriters have accepted her as a constructive Total Loss.

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

**ESSEX MANOR.**—London, Aug. 1.—The owners of the steamer Essex Manor have received the following messages from the master:—  
 Timed 6 40 a.m. (Japanese time), Aug. 1 via Hakodate. Radio: Badly ashore Erimosaki.  
 Timed 8 40 a.m. (Japanese time), Aug. 1 via Hakodate. Radio: Vessel badly on rocks stem to afterpart No. 2 hold stokehold filling. Now waiting salvage assistance.  
 Tokyo, Aug. 1.—British steamer Essex Manor has grounded off Cape Erimo, Hokkaido, while en route to Muroran, according to a telephone message from Hakodate, received by the Domei Agency. The Essex Manor is stated to be leaking badly, but the crew is safe.—Reuter.  
 Yokohama, Aug. 2.—British steamer Essex Manor went ashore yesterday at Erimosaki and remains; reported to be leaky.  
 San Francisco, Aug. 2.—The London steamer Essex Manor has sent out an appeal for immediate assistance stating she has gone ashore on a Japanese reef and is leaking badly. There are 40 passengers on board the vessel, which is en route to Shanghai from Portland, Oregon, with general cargo.—British United Press.

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**ESSEX MANOR.**—London, Aug. 3.—The owners of the steamer Essex Manor have received the following wireless messages from the master:—  
 Via Otchish Radio, Aug. 1, 10 a.m.: Ship further seriously damaged, full to water level, position critical, part crew landed, waiting assistance.  
 Via Hakodate Radio, Aug. 3, 5 40 a.m.: Nippon Salvage Company's representative arrived, divers' examination incomplete, damage serious, salvage if possible lengthy; in touch Lloyd's Agents Yokohama.  
 San Francisco, Aug. 2.—Passengers on board the British steamer Essex Manor have been taken ashore. The crew and Japanese longshoremen at Urakawa are attempting to refloat the steamer from the sand and rocks just off the coast. The steamer, which is carrying 40 passengers, is on charter to Dant & Russell, of Portland, Oregon.—British United Press.

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**ESSEX MANOR.**—London, Aug. 5.—The owners of the steamer Essex Manor have received the following message from the master, dated Aug. 4: Fear position hopeless. Diver's examination shows extensive damage whole length deck awash, may have to abandon any moment. Nippon engineer reports salvage impracticable. Crew landed, recommend be sent home.  
 Yokohama, Aug. 5.—Steamer Essex Manor: Lying on a hard bottom, exposed position. Divers report fore hold full of water, engine-room making much water, after hold making water, bottom grinding. Master reports position hopeless, hull badly fractured. Prospects of salvage will cable to-morrow.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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 of Committee TUE 18 JAN 1938

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