

## DEPARTMENT OF SURVEY for PEDDARS &amp;c.

## REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &amp;c.

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Date of writing this report March 1929

Vessel's Name *Steel Twin S.S. "Chief Maquilla"* of *Hong Kong* Tons (Net 6919 Gross 9394)Built at *Kobe* When *1917* Casualty notice sent to Owner *6.12.28* Owner's replyOwner's Name *Canadian American Navigation Co. Ltd.*Address *12. Pedder Street, Victoria, Hong Kong*Case previously before Date  
Classing Committee. Last Minute

## Particulars of Classification.

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Shells etc	1.1.11.11
with 10	85228

Date of Casualty *29th November 1928*

Fits for oil fuel 10.21 F.P. Pelton 150°F

Précis of particulars of Casualty

On 29th November 1928, this vessel was reported to be in distress 1900 miles west of Vancouver; engine room flooded, starboard boats and forward deck load lost; listed 14 degrees. She was taken in tow, but on 1st December, it was stated that the crew had been taken off, and the vessel abandoned. A subsequent report stated that the steamer eventually foundered.

A casualty notice was sent to the Owners at Hong Kong on 6th December, but no reply has yet been received.

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

**CHIEF MAQUILLA**—Vancouver, Nov. 29.—An S.O.S. message has been picked up by a coast wireless station from the steamer Chief Maquilla. The position is reported as urgent. The position of the vessel is given as about 1500 miles from land. She is bound for Shanghai from Kildonan (B.C.), with a cargo of grain and lumber. A later wireless message from the steamer Arabia Maru states that she is rushing to the help of the stricken vessel.—Reuter.

**CHIEF MAQUILLA**—Vancouver, Nov. 29.—Steamer Chief Maquilla (ex M. S. Dollar) reported in distress at 4 a.m. to-day, 1900 miles west of Vancouver, en route Orient. No further word received. Nearest steamer Chief Caplano, 200 miles away.

Victoria (B.C.).  
Nov. 29.—Steamer Chief Maquilla reports engine-room flooded; starboard boats and forward deckload lost, listed 14 degrees. Steamer Mexico Maru (?) approaching.

Owners have dispatched steamer Salvage King. Cargo consists of 5000 tons of wheat, balance lumber and fish.

Vancouver, Nov. 29.—Steamer Chief Maquilla. Full loaded about eighteen hundred miles out, bound west, engine-room flooded thirteen feet and fourteen degree starboard list, pocket bunker hatch stove, lifeboats gone. Assistance expected to-night, meanwhile owners instructed steamer Salvage King to proceed to tow most convenient port.—Salvage Association's Surveyors.

Seattle, Nov. 30.—The Japanese steamer Yogen Maru (?), one of the six vessels which have been rushing to assist the steamer Chief Maquilla, is reported to have reached her. The vessel probably will be towed to Dutch Harbour, Alaska.

On the contrary, wireless messages coming from the steamer President McKinley state that the steamer Chief Maquilla is foundering, and that the vessel nearest to her is the steamer Montreal Maru, which was nearly two hours away at the time the message was wireless.—Reuter.

**CHIEF MAQUILLA**—Vancouver, Nov. 30.—Steamer Chief Maquilla: Three vessels reported standing by.

Seattle, Nov. 30.—British steamer Chief Maquilla, British Columbia for Shanghai, with a cargo consisting of wheat, salt, herring and lumber, in distress on Nov. 29 approximately two thousand miles out. Agents' advice indicate forward deckload carried away and fifteen degree list rectified. Japanese steamers Yogen Maru, Atlantic Maru and Montreal Maru standing by, but Yogen Maru and Atlantic Maru are unwilling to undertake tow. Hoped to get vessel into Dutch Harbour and pumped out sufficient to proceed, otherwise necessary to return. Steamer Salvage King proceeding to assistance.

Seattle, Dec. 1.—Steamer Chief Maquilla has been taken in tow by the Japanese steamer Yogen Maru, which is taking her to Dutch Harbour, Alaska.—Reuter.

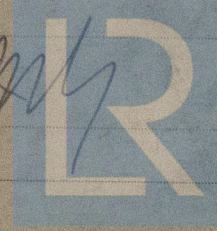
Seattle, Dec. 1.—The latest wireless message received from the steamer Yogen Maru says that the Chief Maquilla has been abandoned in mid-Pacific and her crew transferred to the Japanese vessel.—Reuter.

Vancouver, Dec. 2.—British steamer Chief Maquilla reported abandoned, crew on board steamer Yogen Maru and still standing by.

**CHIEF MAQUILLA**—Tokyo, Dec. 16.—The Japanese steamer Yogen Maru has arrived at Yokohama with 15 British officers and 67 Chinese hands of the British steamer Chief Maquilla, which foundered 2100 miles from Vancouver off the Aleutian Islands.—Reuter.

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