

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Date of writing this report 6th September 1928

Vessel's Name Steel S.S. "Kureha Maru" of Nishinomija Tons { Net 3645
Gross 5809

Built at Tsurumi When 1915 5 Casualty notice sent to Owner 29. 6. 28 Owner's reply

Owner's Name Tatsunuma Kisen K.K.

Address 32 Honmachi, Nishinomija, Japan

Case previously before Classing Committee.	Date	Particulars of Classification.	
		1100A1	1112-26
Last Minute	5-28	1112-28	1112-28

Date of Casualty 23rd May, 1928

Précis of particulars of Casualty

This steamer stranded on Luchu Islands on 23rd May. Salvage operations have been in progress, but on 28th June it was reported that the vessel had collapsed and operations had been abandoned.

A casualty notice was sent to the Owners on 29th June.

In a letter dated 31st July now received from the Kobe Surveyors they state they are informed by the Owners that the vessel is a total loss, and they return the classification certificates for cancellation.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

KUREHA MARU.—London, May 24.—The following cable has been received from Tokio dated May 24:—Steamer Kureha Maru stranded at north coast Okino Erabu, Luchu Islands, May 23. Assistance has been sent.

KUREHA MARU.—Nagasaki, May 25.—Japan se steamer Kureha Maru, while on voyage from Miike to Java, ashore near Kagoshima May 23; making water badly. Salvage steamer gone to assist.

KUREHA MARU.—Nagasaki, May 26.—Japanese steamer Kureha Maru: Stranded place should be Luchu Islands, lat. 27 N. (See issue of May 26.)

KUREHA MARU.—London, June 13.—The following advice has been received from Tokio, dated May 24: Japanese steamer Kureha Maru ran aground in a fog on May 23, at the north end of Okinoyerabu, Luchu Islands, on her way from Miike to Java with 1800 tons of bunker coals on board. According to information so far to hand, she is stranded on the rocks from under No. 2 hold to amidships, and her bottom appears to have been holed, although she is not yet making much water in the holds on account of her double bottom. As her condition called for assistance we have dispatched the salvage boat Nasu Maru to the scene.

KUREHA MARU.—Nagasaki, June 15.—Japanese steamer Kureha Maru still ashore. Water penetrated into Nos. 1 and 2 holds. Hope to float vessel. Salvage entirely dependent on the weather.

KUREHA MARU.—London, June 16.—The following cable has been received from Tokio, dated June 16: Steamer Kureha Maru: Seriously damaged on account of successive storms, rendering salvage hopeless.

KUREHA MARU.—Nagasaki, June 19.—Japanese steamer Kureha Maru: No hope of further salvage. Tokio Salvage Company compelled to abandon.

KUREHA MARU.—London, June 23.—The following is an extract of a cable dated Osaka, June 23:—Steamer Kureha Maru, in ballast, Miike for Java, stranded at Okino Yerabu Sima, Kagoshima Prefecture, May 23, and since then salvage vessel Nasu Maru has been working in salvaging her. It is now reported slacks and/or cracks throughout the hull especially on engine room bottom developed due subsequent storms on June 13 and 14, salvage becoming hopeless.

KUREHA MARU.—London, June 28.—The following cable has been received from Tokio, dated June 28: Tatsunuma steamer Kureha Maru stranded at Okino, Yerabu Island, off Kagoshima, May 23: Tokio Salvage Company's steamer Nasu Maru attended but owing to continuous rough sea Kureha Maru collapsed and salvage operations abandoned.

Suggested Record

Wrecked 5.28

Date of Committee

FRI. 7 SEP 1928

Committee's Minute

Wrecked, 5.28



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