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## REPORT ON ELECTRIC LIGHTING INSTALLATION. No. 899

Port of Boston Date of First Survey 2 Feb 1917 Date of Last Survey 17 Feb 1917 No. of Visits 7  
 No. in Reg. Book on the Steel S/S MIELERO Port belonging to New York  
 Built at Quincy, Mass. By whom Foe River S B Corp When built 1917  
 Owners Cuba Distilling Co. Owners' Address 40 Exchange Place, New York City  
 Yard No. 252 Electric Light Installation fitted by Foe River S B Corporation When fitted 1917

## DESCRIPTION OF DYNAMO, ENGINE, ETC.

Two 15 K.W. 6 pole compound wound generators direct driven by vertical steam engines  
 Capacity of Dynamo 137 V Amperes at 110 ✓ Volts, whether continuous or alternating current continuous ✓  
 Where is Dynamo fixed engine room Whether single or double wire system is used double ✓  
 Position of Main Switch Board engine room having switches to groups A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L of lights, &c., as below  
 Positions of auxiliary switch boards and numbers of switches on each One in Quarter Aft with 6 switches, 1 in  
 Quarter Midships with 8 switches, 1 tell tale in Pilot House with 4 switches for  
 Navigation lights

If fuses are fitted on main switch board to the cables of main circuit yes and on each auxiliary switch board to the cables of auxiliary circuits yes and at each position where a cable is branched or reduced in size yes and to each lamp circuit no to all but lamp circuits

If vessel is wired on the double wire system are fuses fitted to both flow and return wires or cables of all circuits including lamp circuits

Are the fuses of non-oxidizable metal yes and constructed to fuse at an excess of less than 10 per cent over the normal current

Are all fuses fitted in easily accessible positions yes Are the fuses of standard dimensions Enclosed Type If wire fuses are used are permanent instructions fitted on or near each switch board giving particulars of proper size of fuse for each circuit In fuse cases

Are all switches and fuses constructed of incombustible materials and fitted on incombustible bases yes

Total number of lights provided for 233 arranged in the following groups :—  
 A Quarter Aft 68 lights each of 20 candle power requiring a total current of 17 Amperes  
 B R. Upper 11 lights each of 20 candle power requiring a total current of 3 Amperes  
 C Lower Port 12 lights each of 20 candle power requiring a total current of 3 Amperes  
 D S. St. 11 lights each of 20 candle power requiring a total current of 3 Amperes  
 E Search light lights each of candle power requiring a total current of 23 Amperes  
 F Mast head light with 1 lamps each of 40 candle power requiring a total current of 1 Amperes  
 F Side light with 1 lamps each of 40 candle power requiring a total current of 1 Amperes  
 32 Cargo lights of - candle power, whether incandescent or arc lights Incandescent 2 and

If arc lights, what protection is provided against fire, sparks, &c. Heavy glass globes with wire protection

Are lights will only be used while carrying molasses or non-inflammable cargoes

Where are the switches controlling the masthead and side lights placed Engine room & pilot houses

## DESCRIPTION OF CABLES.

Main cable carrying 137 Amperes, comprised of 61 wires, each .045" <sup>135</sup> S.W.G. diameter, .098 square inches total sectional area  
 Branch cables carrying 17 Amperes, comprised of 37 wires, each .04" S.W.G. diameter, .047 square inches total sectional area  
 Branch cables carrying 3 Amperes, comprised of 7 wires, each .025" S.W.G. diameter, .003 square inches total sectional area  
 Leads to lamps carrying 3 Amperes, comprised of 7 wires, each .025" S.W.G. diameter, .003 square inches total sectional area  
 Cargo light cables carrying 7 Amperes, comprised of 25 wires, each .01" S.W.G. diameter, .003 square inches total sectional area

DESCRIPTION OF INSULATION, PROTECTION, ETC.  
 Heavy rubber insulation covered with braided waterproof fibre. Carried in steel conduit throughout except in officers cabins where wood moulding is used

Joints in cables, how made, insulated, and protected Soldered, well taped & made in metal junction boxes  
Where wood moulding is used, joints are made in porcelain junction boxes

Are all the joints of cables thoroughly soldered, and the flux used not containing acids or other corrosive substances yes Are all joints in accessible positions, none being made in bunkers, cargo spaces, or spaces which may at any time be used for carrying cargo, stores, or baggage yes

Are there any joints in or branches from the cable leading from dynamo to main switch board No

How are the cables led through the ship, and how protected Steel conduits

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## DESCRIPTION OF INSULATION, PROTECTION, ETC.—continued.

Are they in places always accessible Yes

What special protection has been provided for the cables in open alleyways or where exposed to weather or moisture Steel Conduits

What special protection has been provided for the cables near galleys or oil lamps or other sources of heat Steel conduits

What special protection has been provided for the cables near boiler casings Steel conduits

What special protection has been provided for the cables in engine room Steel conduits

How are cables carried through beams Steel conduits

How are cables carried through decks Steel conduits made watertight ✓

Are any cables run through coal bunkers Yes or cargo spaces No or spaces which may be used for carrying cargo, stores, or baggage Yes

If so, how are they protected Steel conduits run high up under deck

Are any lamps fitted in coal bunkers or spaces which may at times be used for cargo, coals, or baggage Yes

If so, how are the lamp fittings and cable terminals specially protected Lamp fittings high up under deck &amp; are protected by heavy glass globes &amp; wire guarda which could be replaced by melt caps.

Where are the main switches and fuses for these lights fitted Engine Room

If in the spaces, how are they specially protected

Are any switches or fuses fitted in bunkers No

Cargo light cables, whether portable or permanently fixed portable

How fixed Attachment braces provided

In vessels fitted on the single wire system, how is the dynamo terminal fixed to the hull of vessel ✓

How are the returns from the lamps connected to the hull ✓

Are all the joints with the hull in accessible positions ✓

Is the installation supplied with a voltmeter Yes, and with an ammeter Yes with 2 fixed on main switchboard

## VESSELS BUILT FOR CARRYING PETROLEUM.

In vessels built for carrying petroleum, are all switches and fuses fitted in positions not liable to the accumulation of petroleum vapour or gas Yes

Are any switches, fuses, or joints of cables fitted in the pump room or companion Yes

How are the lamps specially protected in places liable to the accumulation of vapour or gas Too poor metallic fittings with heavy air tight glass globes &amp; wire guarda

The copper used is guaranteed to have a conductivity of not less than that of the Engineering Standards Committee's standard, and the wires are protected by tinning from the sulphur compounds present in the insulating material.

Insulation of cables is guaranteed to have a resistance of not less than 600 megohms per statute mile at 60° Farhenheit after 24 hours' immersion in water, the test being made after one minute's electrification at not less than 500 volts and while the cable is still immersed.

The foregoing statements are a correct description of the Electric Light installation fitted by us on this vessel and we declare that it is at this date in good order and safe working condition.

FORE RIVER SHIPBUILDING CORP.

QUINCY, MASS. *J. S. Heck* VICE PRESIDENT

Electrical Engineers Date

## COMPASSES.

Distance between dynamo or electric motors and standard compass

Wireless motor about 20 feet

Distance between dynamo or electric motors and steering compass

12 "

The nearest cables to the compasses are as follows:—

A cable carrying	14	Amperes	close to	feet from standard compass	close to	feet from steering compass
A cable carrying	4	Amperes	abt 10	feet from standard compass	abt 8	feet from steering compass
A cable carrying	19	Amperes	16	feet from standard compass	12	feet from steering compass

Have the compasses been adjusted with and without the electric installation at work at full power Yes

The maximum deviation due to electric currents, etc., was found to be degrees on course in the case of the standard compass and degrees on course in the case of the steering compass.

FORE RIVER SHIPBUILDING CORP.

QUINCY, MASS. *J. S. Heck* VICE PRESIDENT

Builder's Signature. Date

GENERAL REMARKS. This installation has been fitted in accordance with the Rules & approved plans & the workmanship & material are good. The installation is a duplicate of those fitted in ½ Cabadiat Boston report 852 & ¾ Grecia Boston report 859. It has been satisfactorily tried under full load & the vessel is eligible, in my opinion, to receive the notation 'ELEC LIGHT' in the Register Book.

It is submitted that this vessel is eligible for THE RECORD. Elec. light. J.S.H. 27/3/17

John S. Heck

Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Committee's Minute

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Continuation of Report No. 899 dated 23 Feb 1917 on the

## Electric Light Installation

of  
S/S MIELERO of NEW YORK

## Groups of Lights continued

G	Wireless	2 KW	requiring a total current of 20 amps
H	Fine Room Level	10 lights each of 20 cp	requiring a total current of 3 amps
J	" upper	8 "	20 "
K	Quarters For	79 "	20 "
L	Cargo	30 "	20 + 2 acres "

## Description of Cables continued

C	carrying 3 amps	comprised of 7 wires each .025" dia	.023" total sectional area
D	3 "	7 "	.025 "
E	23 "	19 "	.023 "
F	4 "	7 "	.023 "
G	20 "	7 "	.023 "
H	3 "	7 "	.023 "
J	4 "	7 "	.023 "
K	20 "	61 "	.023 "
L	25 "	19 "	.023 "

J.S.H.

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