

STEAMER THAT HIT HUMBOLDT BAR WILL BE ON DRYDOCK FOR 20 DAYS

Stern Frame Is Foot Out of Place and Many Plates Are Damaged

The steamer City of Topeka, which was wrecked into port Saturday, disabled as it struck the bar at Eureka, was being towed to the drydock yesterday at Hunters point, and what was revealed shows that humpback bars is serious business even for well built steamers.

Here is what that bump did to the Topeka: It broke the rudder stock; it slewed the ship's stern frame more than a foot to starboard. It twisted the keel for about 30 feet. It fractured five plates and so deformed 15 others that they will have to be taken out and straightened.

The stern frame will have to be taken out. The cracked plates must be replaced by new ones, and to do all this it will be necessary to keep the ship on the drydock for at least 20 days.

When the Topeka arrived here in tow of the Tappan it was reported that the rudder stock had caught one of the humpback bars in its propeller. It was there when the ship was dry docked. Looped and knotted and sheared the humpback bars into 15 fathoms of four inch hawsers would around that propeller.

The company will make an announcement today as to the arrangements for taking care of the Eureka business while the Topeka is out of commission.

Collisions Narrowly Averted

Only the prompt action of Captain Jones of the Southern Pacific ferry steamer Berkeley averted a collision in front of the ferry.

Between the Berkeley and the Southern Pacific steamer Melrose, the Berkeley was approaching the Melrose from the long wharf side that is customary at about the same time that the Berkeley was passing the Melrose.

Sollicitor Saved From Drowning

Harman Taylor, a solicitor for the Morton E. Searles company, fell into the bay yesterday while trying to climb from a white boat to the rail of the steamer Berkeley.

Admiral Moore Going to Honolulu

Movements of Steamers TO ARRIVE

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TO SAIL

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WIRELESS REPORTS FROM SHIPS AT SEA

By MARCONI WIRELESS These reports are received directly from the Pacific coast stations of the Marconi Wireless company:

BRITISH STEAMER SONOMA - From Seattle, 1,101 miles from San Francisco; all well.

STEAMER WILHELMINA - Hence Dec. 15 from Honolulu; all well.

STEAMER SONOMA - Hence Dec. 17 for Honolulu; all well.

STEAMER CITY OF SYDNEY - 5 miles south of Point Sur at 8 p. m.

STEAMER GORNER - 20 miles north of Point Sur at 8 p. m.

STEAMER COL E. L. DRAKE - 4 miles south of Point Arena at 8 p. m.

STEAMER SPEDWELL - Off Point Bonita at 6:30 p. m.

STEAMER YALE - Passed Pigeon point at 8:30 p. m.

STEAMER FRANK H. LEGGETT - Passed Point Reyes at 8:45 p. m.

STEAMER MINNESOTA - Seattle to the Orient; 1,205 miles from Seattle at 12 m. Dec. 23.

STEAMER LANSING - Southbound; 648 miles north of San Francisco at 8 p. m.

Weather Report

United States department of agriculture Weather bureau San Francisco, Dec. 23, 1912.

RAINFALL DATA

STATIONS

PACIFIC COAST STATIONS

STATIONS

EASTERN STATIONS

*ALASKA STATIONS

Seward, arriving yesterday from Balboa, Panama, completed the discharge of several tons of Atlantic freight for Los Angeles consignees and cargo.

Steamer Olympic arrived this morning, five days from Seattle, carrying \$50,000 feet of lumber consigned to the E. K. Wood Lumber company.

Oil steamer Whittier completed the discharge of 15,000 barrels of crude oil for the Union Oil company at San Francisco.

Steamer George W. Elder, arriving on schedule from Portland via Astoria and San Francisco with a large passenger and freight list, proceeded tonight for San Francisco.

Steamer General Hubbard arrived this morning from Columbia river carrying 1,600,000 feet of lumber consigned to Hammond Lumber company at Terminal.

UNITED STATES BEING

France Leads All Nations, While Germany Holds Second Place

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The United States, home of the first heavier than air flying machine, is far behind other nations in military aviation.

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Berth and Meals Included in Fare

Los Angeles, San Diego, Santa Barbara Governor, Dec. 23, Jan. 6, 2 p. m. Queen, Dec. 23, Jan. 13, 11 a. m.

Seattle (Direct), Tacoma, Vancouver, Victoria, Vancouver, Alaska

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