

## Argentine Transport

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### **Voyage**

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Empire Transport Co., Ltd. (Houlder Brothers, Managers)

Westbound, Narvik, Norway to Philadelphia. Left Narvik 3 April 1912 with a cargo of iron ore. On arrival at the intermediate stop of Louisburg, Nova Scotia, her captain reported that on 6 April they had encountered heavy field ice in Lat. 46 degrees 24'N. and that they had run through icebergs until 8 April when they passed clear of the ice after rounding the Grand Banks. After departing Louisburg, arrived at Philadelphia on 17 April.

West Hartlepool, UK

British, single funnel, black with red band below black top, white Maltese cross in red band

**Company flag:** Red, white Maltese cross across filling center

**Signal letters:** H S D K

Steel hull, one funnel, schooner rig, single screw, 1 deck

gross 4,763 underdeck 4,478 net 3, 024

length 385 ft. poop 36 ft. width 52 ft. bridge 119 depth 27ft. fo'c'sle 36ft.

Engines by Richardson, Westgarth & Co., Ltd. Hartlepool triple expansion, 3 cyl. 25",40",68" by 48" stroke, 320 NHP

1911 Built by Irvine's Shipbuilding & Drydock Co., Ltd., West Hartlepool Yard No.491

1911 Launched 14 January 1912 4 Feb. Trials

1916 Sold to Furness, Withy & Co., renamed Parisiana

1916 Captured by German submarine 82 miles west of Ushant and sunk by gunfire.

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