

Rio Pirahy

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Voyage

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European and Brazilian Steam Ship Cp., Ltd. (Petersen and Co., Ltd. Managers)

Westbound, Narvik, Norway to Philadelphia via Halifax. Arrived Philadelphia 22 April and reported that on 8 April, in the vicinity of 42 degrees 44 ' N. by 49 degrees 34' W. had passed for seven hours a large quantity of field ice containing numerous icebergs.

Port of Registry: London

Flag of Registry: British

Signal letters: T B Q S

Steel hull, one funnel, single screw

Funnel: Buff

Company flag: White blunt-nosed pennant quartered by a red cross, red rectangle at center containing a large red "P"

Tonnages: gross 3,561 underdeck 3,359 net 2,297

Dimensions: length 341.5 ft. width 46.7 ft. depth 25.8 ft.

1901 Built and engineered by John Redhead & Sons, South Shields , yard no. 357

Engines: triple-expansion 3 cyl. 24", 40", 65" by 45" stroke 294 NHP 160 lbs op. steam pressure

1901 1 Oct. Launched as *Exmoor* for Moore Line, London

21 Nov. Trials

6 Dec. Maiden voyage, Tynemouth-Sulina- Romania-Antwerp-Blyth (arrived 8 Feb. 1902).

1911 Acquired by European and Brazilian Steamship Co., Ltd. And renamed *Rio Pirahy*

1918 In the North Atlantic, 60 miles south of Cape St. Vincent, Portugal intercepted and captured by German submarine. Crew left in lifeboats after the ship was sunk by shelling.

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