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The Leicester as liiiiiiiiR'''''''' found. From Capt. -jsmiffm i||||j|IW' Cowley's scrap-
Ixjok: "Message received from Search & Rescue relayed through SS Troero.
September 16, 1948: 'British steamer Leicester abandoned at position
40.27N,55.10W.' - • ** (Approximately 420 miles southeast of ' Halifax.)
Josephine ..'_-?4. sailed approximate- ;' • • ly 10.30 a.m. 16th. • _,'?' Lillian also
diverted from Gaspar to aid Josephine, noon 16th....23 crew members were taken
by Cecil M. Bean and 18 by der were lost during hurricane. Josephine and Lillian
made a combined search with radar of 3120 square miles 17th and 6000 the
18th.... It was presumed that (Leicester) went down. Josephine was ordered back to
North Sydney, and Lillian to Halifax." The remain- square miles on Then, another
gale came up. And we couldn't stay alongside any more. And it got worse and
worse. And I backed off, and I anchored about a mile away. And the storm got so
bad the anchor carried away. And I lost my anchor and I lost the cable. So then I
had to steam around all night, come back in the morning. Had a look and--here was
the ship, she'd pounded to pieces on the rocks in the storm. (The Orion, the ship
that you came to save.) The ship I'd come to save, yeah. So there was nothing
worth saving any more. We lost our pumps and.... So, we had to give that up as a
bad job. (And when this is given up as a bad job, you get nothing.) No, no, nothing
at all. So I sent a signal to tell the Foundation Company the ship was a total loss.
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came back with the report saying that the Leicester had been sighted again by an?
other merchant ship in another position. To go back and look for the Leicester
again! So we had to turn round and drive her all the way back there again. The
Lillian had been sent out before us. And she only had to go from Halifax. And of
course, we had to go from Belle Isle Strait, which is much further. So she was out
there search? ing around and searching around. And then we finally got out and
started searching. And then, the Leicester was reported again. Then we got a signal
saying the Lillian had found her, sighted her. Of course, they gave us her position by
code, so that the Dutch one won't get it. And I steamed down and got there around
about 1 o'clock in the morning. Found the Leicester, and what a sight she
was--listed right over! The ballast that she was carrying in the 'tween decks had
shifted over when she got hit by this hur? ricane. And all the ballast had gone from
the 'tween decks over onto the other side, down below. So, away she went. Now,
the crew had deserted her then, be? cause they thought she was going to cap? size.



And there was--I think it was 4 men were lost, when she transferred the crew to this American ship. And they took the crew off--picked them up out of the water, anyway. But of course, that was all past by the time we got up to her. (She was still afloat. But, listing?) Yeah, listing--40? list. mlco DEPARTMENT STORES Celebrating ' 25 Years of Savings ' 'at our Sydney Rivery Location CAPE BRETON SHOPPING PLAZA - SYDNEY RIVER MAYFLOWER MALL - GRAND LAKE ROAD - SYDNEY PORT HAWKESBURY SHOPPING CENTRE Woolco will meet any local competitor's advertised prices* *OTHERS SAY IT... WOOLCO GUARANTEES IT! Just bring In any Competitor's current Ad. If our price on the identical item isn't already as low, or lower than their advertised price we will immediately meet their price! We exclude gimmick promotions (Scratch & Save), & entire Department, entire Store percentage off Promotions. We reserve the right to limit quantities. USE OUR CONVENIENT LAYAWAY PLAN