

(No. 3873.)

“AGLAIA.”

FINDING and Order of a Naval Court held at the British Consulate General at Monte Video on the 27th day of August 1889, to investigate the circumstances connected with the stranding of the British barque “AGLAIA,” of Belfast, 786 tons, on the English Bank on the 10th August 1889, and the conduct of officers and crew.

The Court, having regard to the evidence hereinbefore given, find as follows:—

The loss of the ship was due to carelessness on the part of the master in not setting a proper course after passing Lobos Island.

He also is to blame in not taking soundings himself, and ascertaining the nature of the bottom.

Also for trusting too much to the pilot, and leaving the deck when the safety of the ship required his personal supervision.

The Court finds that after the “Aglaia” struck, everything in their power was done by the master and crew to save the ship.

The Court, in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Section 23 of 25 and 26 Vict. c. 63, therefore orders:—

That a copy of the report, or a statement of the case upon which the investigation was ordered, having been furnished to Mr. D. R. Shaw before the commencement of the investigation, his certificate of master, No. 02,426, issued by the Board of Trade, and dated the 9th day of October 1876, be for the wrongful default suspended for the period of three calendar months from this day.

The expenses of this Court, fixed at 6*l.* 4*s.*, are approved.

Dated at Monte Video this 27th day of August 1889.

(Signed) ERNEST SATOW,
H.B.M. Consul-General and
President of Court.

H. H. ADAMSON,
Commanding “Viking”
Telegraph Ship.

A. M^cKAY,
Master of British Ship
“Janet Cowan.”