

UNIT NUMBER:

ENTERPRISE

AREA OF SERVICE: VICTORIA-NEW WESTMINSTER (1862-1883)

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Sidewheeler

Construction:

Designer and builder: Built at San Francisco in 1861.

Dimensions: 134' x 27'7" x 6'9" (*Lewis & Dryden's Marine History of the Pacific Northwest*).

Draft:

Number of passengers: 60 Number of crew:

Plans:

Power: Walking beam engines 30" x 72"; paddlewheels 19 feet in diameter
(Notebook of Thomas Westgarth)

Registered:

Speed: 75 h.p. (Notebook of Thomas Westgarth).

Tonnage: 150 tons freight



HISTORY:

- 1861 Built at San Francisco for trade with Stockton, but brought north to operate on Puget Sound (Norman R. Hacking, "Steamboating on the Fraser...", pp. 21, 39).
- 1862, March Purchased for the Hudson's Bay Company to carry passengers along the Victoria-New Westminister and up the Fraser River route, to supersede the *Otter* (B.226/b/20, p. 252; B.226/b/22, pp. 264-265).
- 1862, 3 April Made first voyage (Norman R. Hacking, "Steamboating on the Fraser...", pp. 21, 39).
- 1871-1872 Fair amount of work Victoria-New Westminister (B.226/b/45, pp. 151, 264).
- 1883 Sold to Canadian Pacific Navigation Company.
- 1885, July 28 Collided with *R.P. Rithet*, was abandoned on Cadboro Bay (B.226/b/56, fo. 97, 102, 105).

MASTERS:

- John Swanson
- 1862 W.A. Mouat (Norman R. Hacking, "Steamboating on the Fraser in the 'Sixties'", pp. 21, 39)
W.H. McNeill
Herbert Lewis
George Rudlin

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MICROFILM REELS:

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