UNIT NUMBER: 193

NORMAN MORISON

AREA OF SERVICE: LONDON-COLUMBIA

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Construction: Teak

Designed and builder:

Dimensions: 18 foot draught, 119.5' long

Draft:

Number of passengers: Number of crew:

Plans: Power: Registered: Speed:

Tonnage: 529 T



HISTORY:

Built of teak from Burma for the East India Company (*Victoria Colonist*, 17 June 1853) 1848, November Purchased for £7,750 from Finlay Hodgson & Co.in London to replace the *Vancouver*

(A.1/65 p. 214; A.6/28 fo. 27d; A.5/16 pp. 64-65; A.6/27 fo. 172d)

1849, 20 October Left Gravesend for the trip to the coast with 250 tons of goods for the Russian American

Company, 15 tons for the Hudson's Bay Company, and 65 passengers, 60 labourers 'between

decks' and four women (A.6/28 fo. 67)

1850, 25 March Arrived, after only a five-month trip, one month shorter than the norm (A.11/72 fos. 201-206d)

1850, 23 September Left the coast for London, arriving 20 February 1851 1851, 24 May Left London for the coast, arriving 30 October 1851 1852, 21 January Left the coast for London, arriving 12 June 1852 1852, 15 August Left London, arriving in Esquimalt 16 January 1853

1853, 16 March Left the coast with furs and specie and Gold dust, arriving 1 August 1853

Sold for £6,700 through George Bayley and replaced by the *Princess Royal*

(A.1/6 fo. 9; A.6/30 fos. 302-303)

1865-1866 Disappeared between Australia and India (*The Times*, 20 April 1866)

MASTERS:

1849-1853 David Durham Wishart (C.1/613-615; A.6/28 fos. 68d-69d)

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Search File: "Ships-Norman Morison" (including crew and passenger lists, 1851-1853)

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