

CONCRETE SHIP FAITH HERE.

Proved Steady in Gales, Say Her Officers.

The American steamship Faith, the largest concrete vessel in the world, launched on March 14 on the Pacific Coast as an experiment in this method of construction, arrived yesterday with a cargo of sugar and docked at South Fourth Street, Williamsburg.

On May 22 the Faith left San Francisco for Seattle with a cargo of salt and copper ore. She discharged this cargo and took on lumber at Seattle and Portland for South American ports. She touched en route at San Francisco on July 17, and then proceeded to Mexico, Peru, and Chile.

The Faith took on a cargo of nitrate and was the first concrete ship to pass through the Panama Canal. She discharged the nitrate at New Orleans, then went to Cuba, and took on a cargo of sugar, which she brought here, consigned to the American Sugar Refining Company.

On the trip to Seattle the Faith ran into a seventy-mile gale and head seas, but, according to Mate Mathson, proved very steady. She made the trip from Cuba to New York in six days and ran into another seventy-mile gale south of Hatteras, which she weathered admirably.

Tonight a dinner will be given at the Biltmore for Captain R. E. Connell of the Faith, and W. Leslie Comyn, President of the San Francisco Shipbuilding Company. The speakers will be Dock Commissioner Murray Hulbert, B. F. Affleck, President of the Portland Cement Association, and R. J. Wig of the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

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