

TIMOTHY PICKERING-ONI7-13-43 ONI COMMENTS

Survivors

Raft Release-Survivors complained of difficulty experienced in launching liferafts believed due to rusting of release mechanism.

ALICE F. PALMER-ONI 7-10-43

Survivors

Sea Anchor:-Suggestion was made by some survivors that the sea anchor supplied in the lifeboat was too large and that the oil cone did not serve the purpose for which it was provided. The exceptional size of the sea anchor caused the boat to come up hard against the painter and the oil cone prevented a proper flow of water through the hole in the sea anchor.

Provisions: Survivors complained about the excessive dryness of the rations and the insolubility of the malted milk tablets. They said that the pemmican was the best item supplied.

SEBASTIAN CERMANO-ONI 6-27-43

Survivors