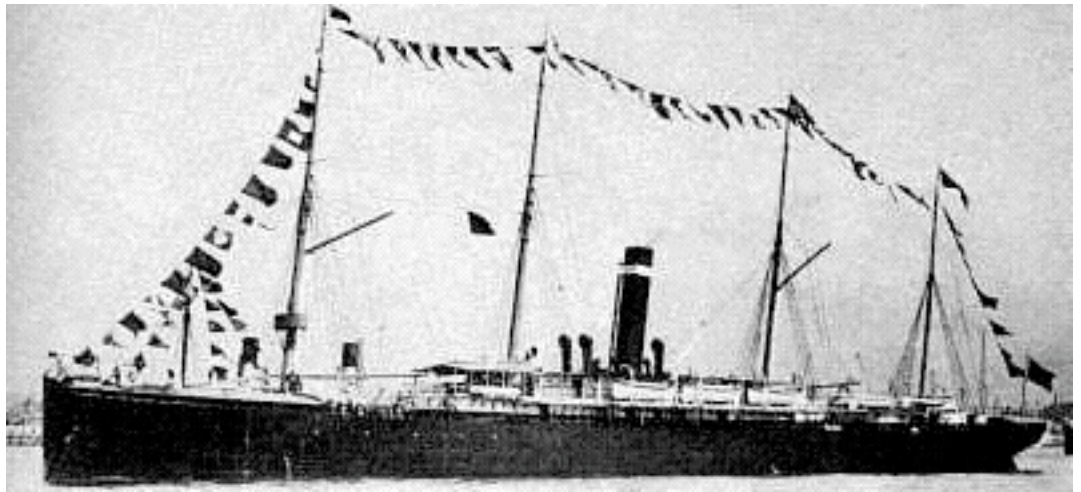


BELGENLAND
(1878)
VENERE [1905]



Photograph of
the BELGENLAND.
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The steamship BELGENLAND was built for the Red Star Line by the Barrow Shipbuilding Co, and launched on 24 December 1878. 3,692 tons; 122,79 x 12,25 meters/402.9 x 40.2 feet (length x breadth); straight stem, 1 funnel, 4 masts; iron construction, screw propulsion, compound engines, service speed 14 knots; accommodation for 150 passengers in 1st class, and 1,000 in steerage.

30 March 1879, maiden voyage, Antwerp–Philadelphia. 20 May 1879 – 6 July 1895, Antwerp–New York. 31 July 1895 – 17 October 1903, Philadelphia–Liverpool, chartered to the American Line (150 passengers in second class, 1,000 in steerage). November 1903, resumed Antwerp–Philadelphia service for the Red Star Line (steerage only). 7 December 1904, last voyage, Philadelphia–Antwerp. 1905, VENERE (Italian). 1906, scrapped.

Source: Noel Reginald Pixell Bonsor, *North Atlantic Seaway; An Illustrated History of the Passenger Services Linking the Old World with the New* (2nd ed.; Jersey, Channel Islands: Brookside Publications), vol. 2 (1978), p. 851.

Voyages:

1. Red Star Line steamship BELGENLAND, Capt. Stokes, arrived at New York on 27 January 1882, from Antwerp 14 January; passenger manifest dated 28 January 1882 (National Archives Microfilm Publication M237, roll 447 [= Family History Library microfilm #1,027,017], list #104 for 1882).

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