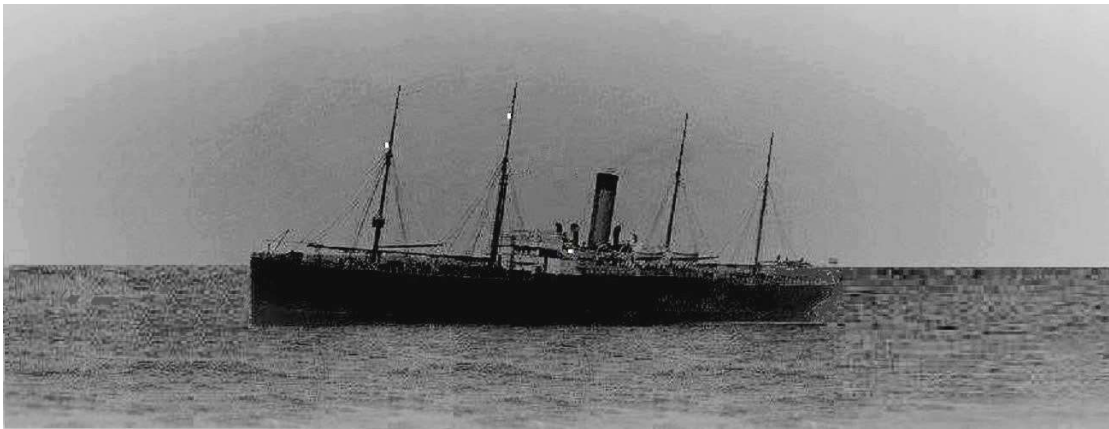


# Strangers On the Horizon

*Titanic and Californian* – A Forensic Approach



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Unraveling the mystery of the whereabouts of the  
*SS Californian* on the night *Titanic* sank.

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