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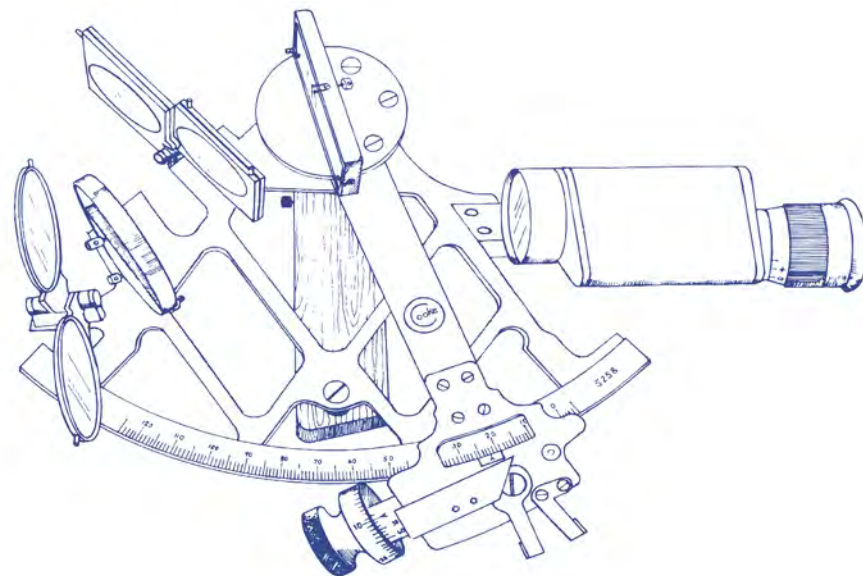
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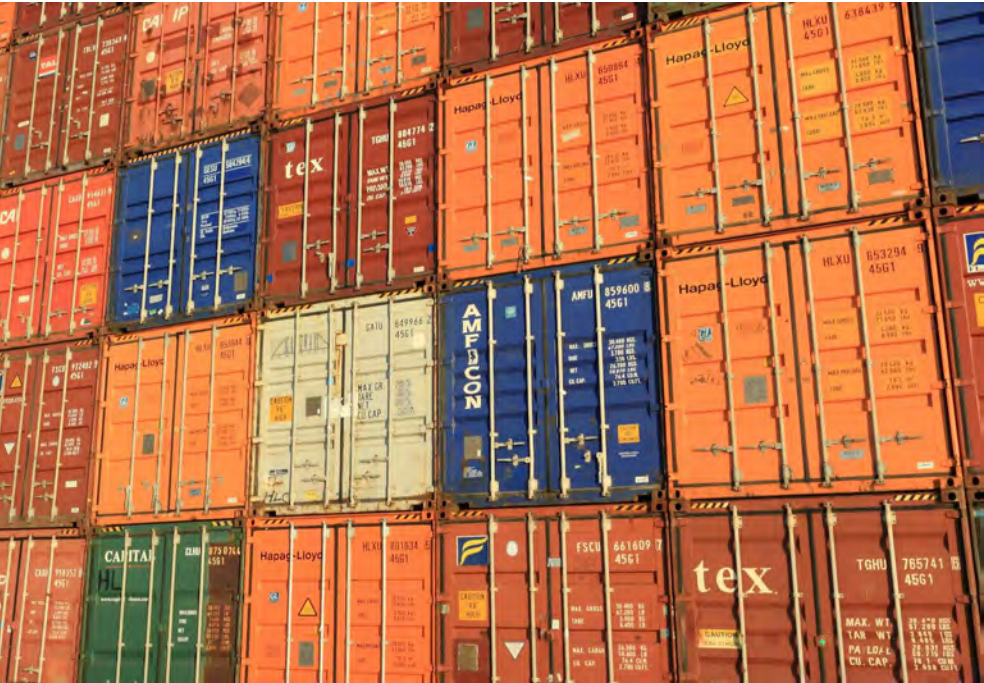
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David J. House

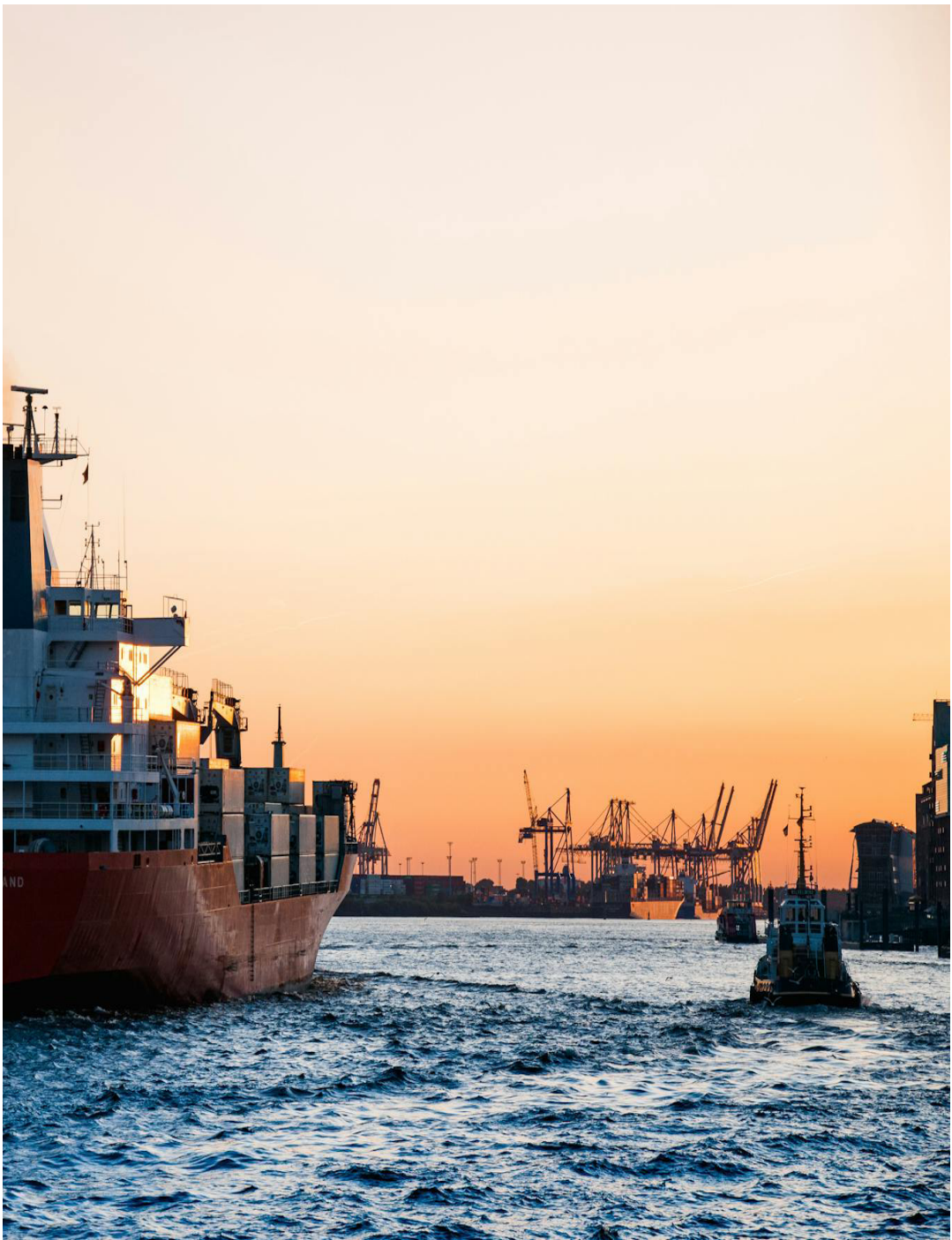
This richly illustrated volume delves into marine heavy-lift operations, covering salvage, offshore construction, shipbuilding, cargo handling, and repairs. It explores expanding bulk, container, roll-on/roll-off, and project-cargo sectors, from early floating cranes to modern offshore modular builds. Featuring routine and oversized lifts, it underscores rigorous risk assessment, safety, and environmental protection as central to every heavy-lift marine venture.

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Captain Bill Chalmers, FICS

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David J House

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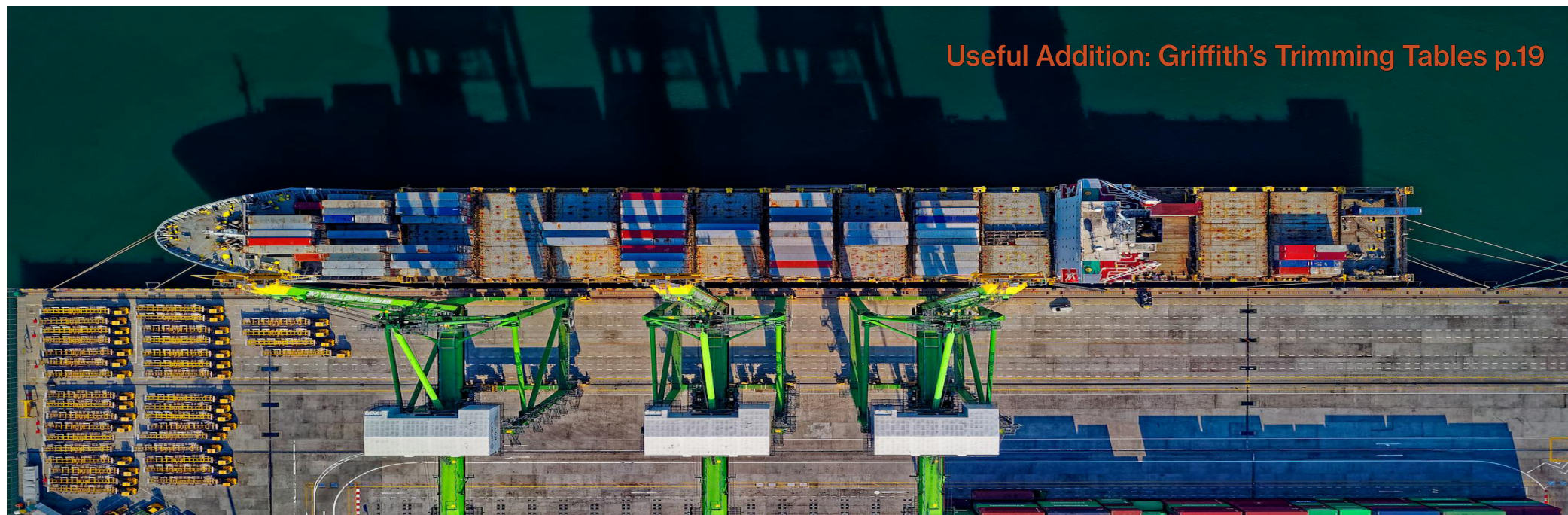
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Edition/Year	2016

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Edition/Year	2 nd Edition

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Captain C. Baptist

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Price	£30.00
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Edition/Year	1998

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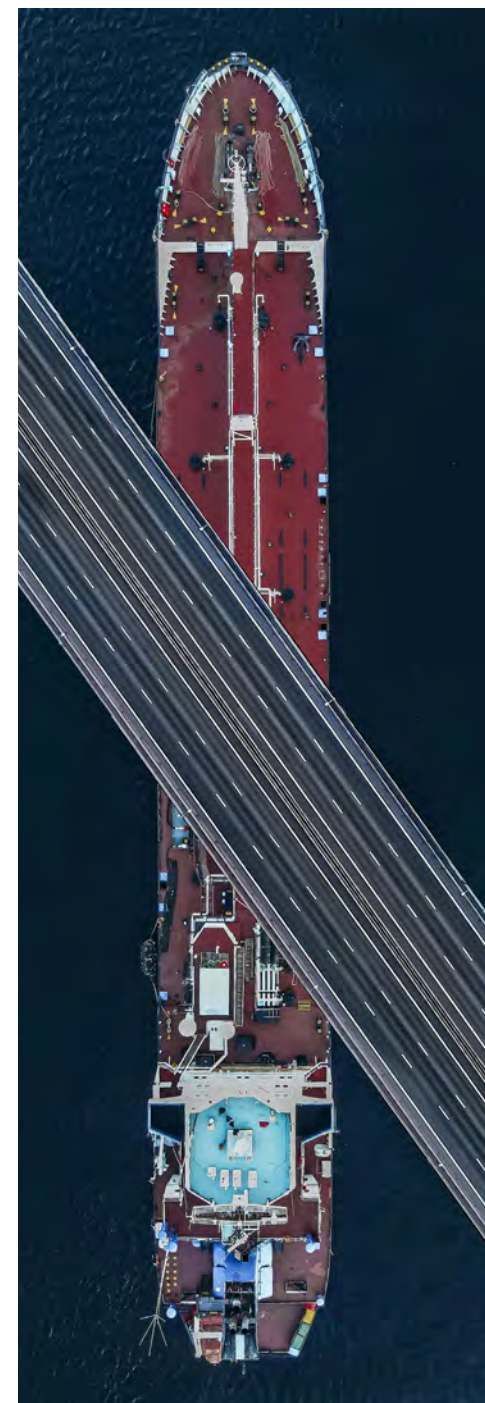
Price	£35.00
ISBN	978-0-85174-812-2
Formats Available	PRINT
Edition/Year	2 nd Edition Revised 2009

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Dr. Raymond Solly, Capt. Quentin Cox
& John Onslow

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Formats Available	PRINT DIGITAL
Edition/Year	1 st Edition 2011



Salvage from the Sea

Commander Gerald Forsberg,
O.B.E., F.N.I.

A lively, insightful account of marine salvage by an experienced seaman turned naval officer. Covering personnel, vessels, submarine recovery, towage, and more, Forsberg blends humour, anecdotes, and professional insight in an accessible style for both lay readers and mariners. Highly praised by maritime and scientific journals alike, it offers an engaging overview of the challenges and realities of ocean salvage work.

Price	£15.00
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Edition/Year	2 nd edition 1992

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Jackie Warner
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Edition/Year	1997



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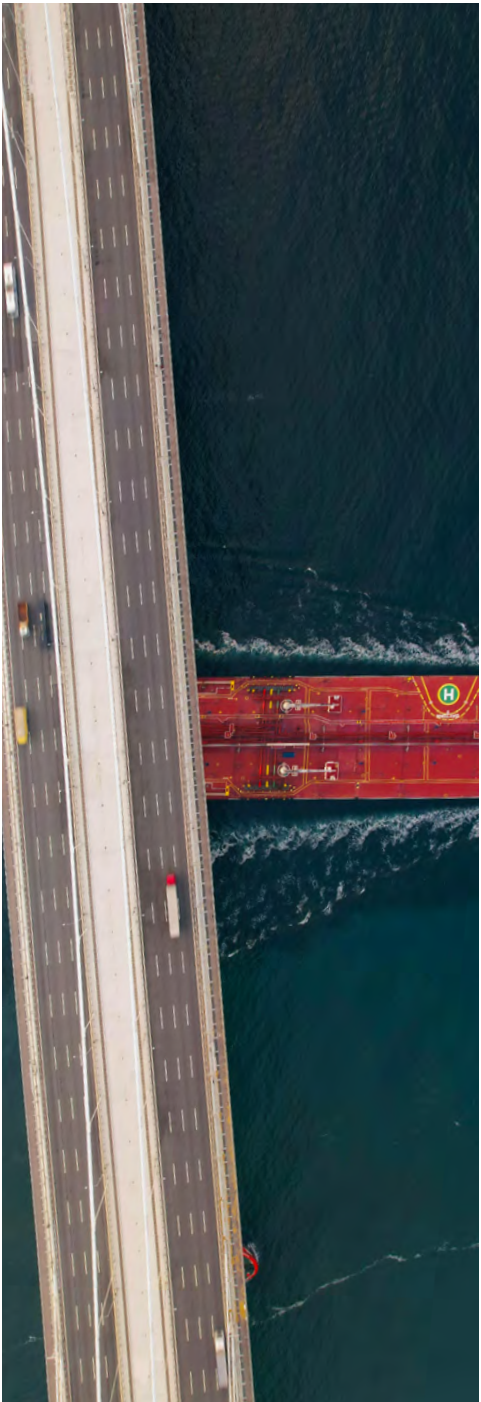
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Edition/Year	3 rd edition 1976



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Captain Graham Pepper

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Capt. M. C. Armstrong

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William A McLeod. Revised by
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By H.H. Brown, Extra Master. Revised & expanded by: Saurabh Sachdeva F.I.C.S. M.Sc. M.N.I. Master Mariner

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International Maritime Organization

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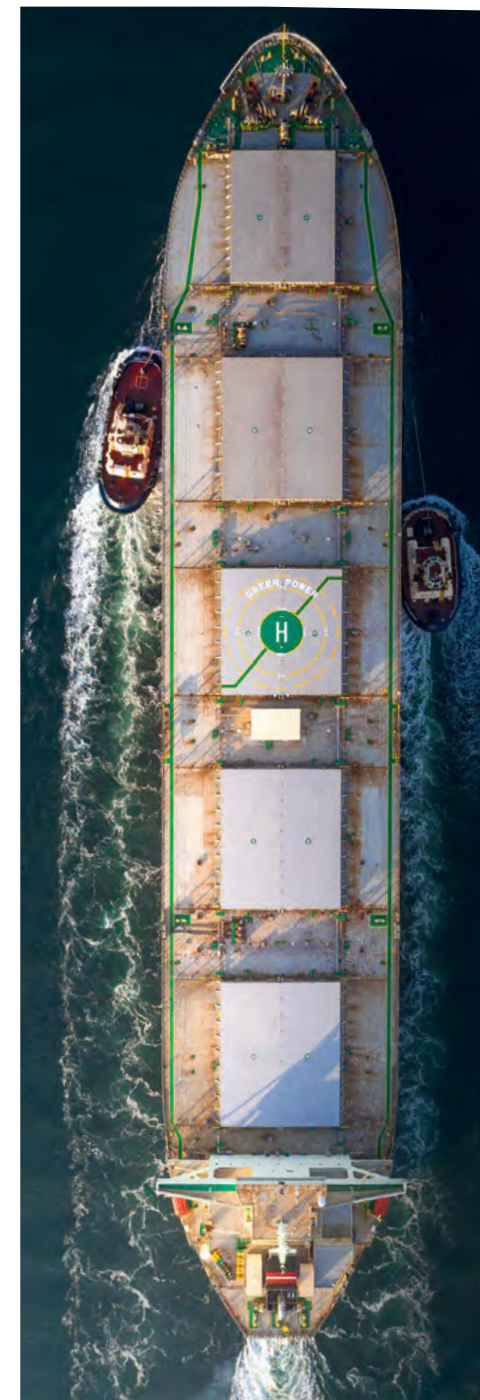
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S. M. Burton, Master Mariner

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Edition/Year	2 nd Edition 2016

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Captain Dr. Ivica Tijardović

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E.J. Coolen

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Edition/Year	10 th Edition

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Edition/Year	12 th Edition

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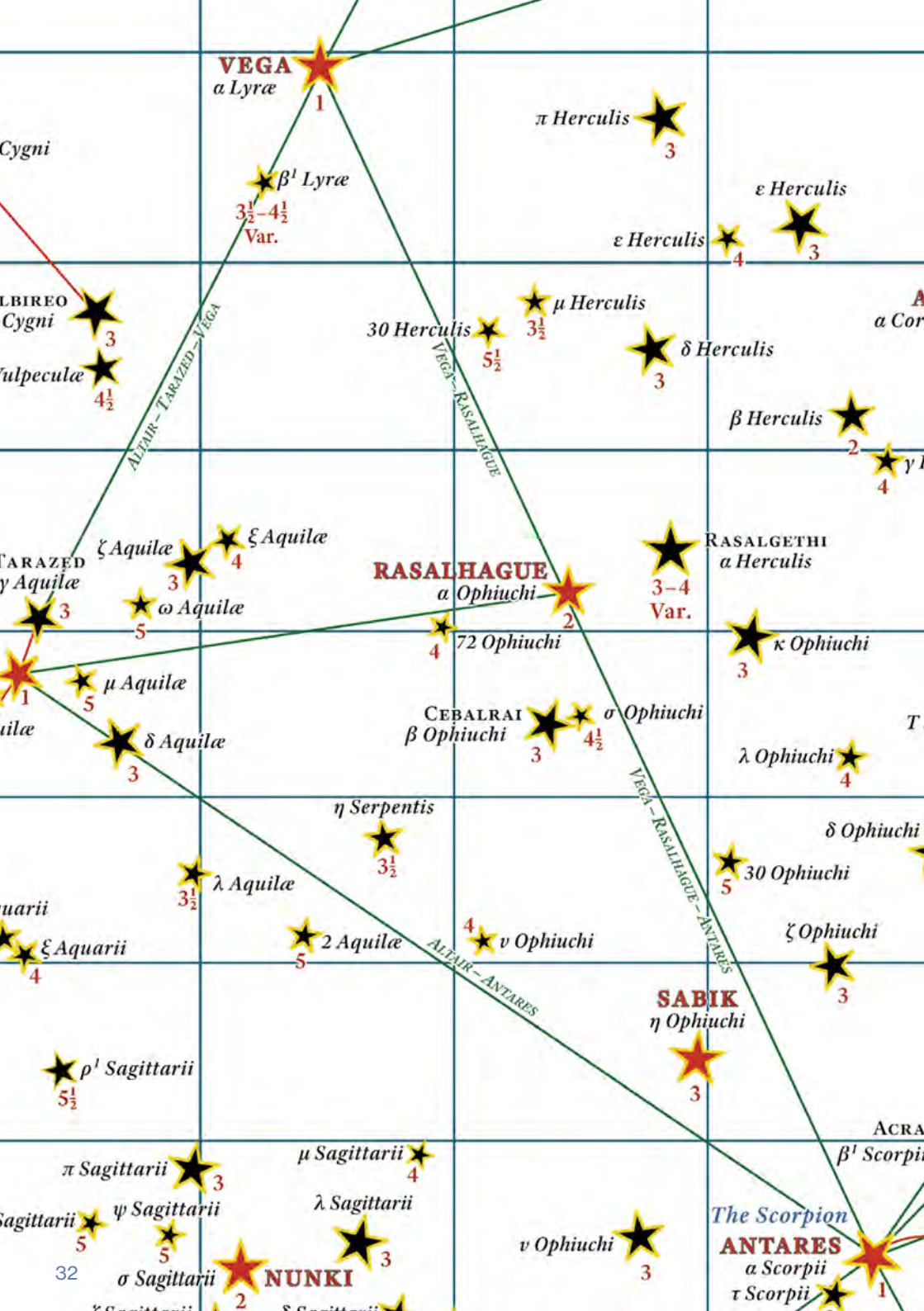
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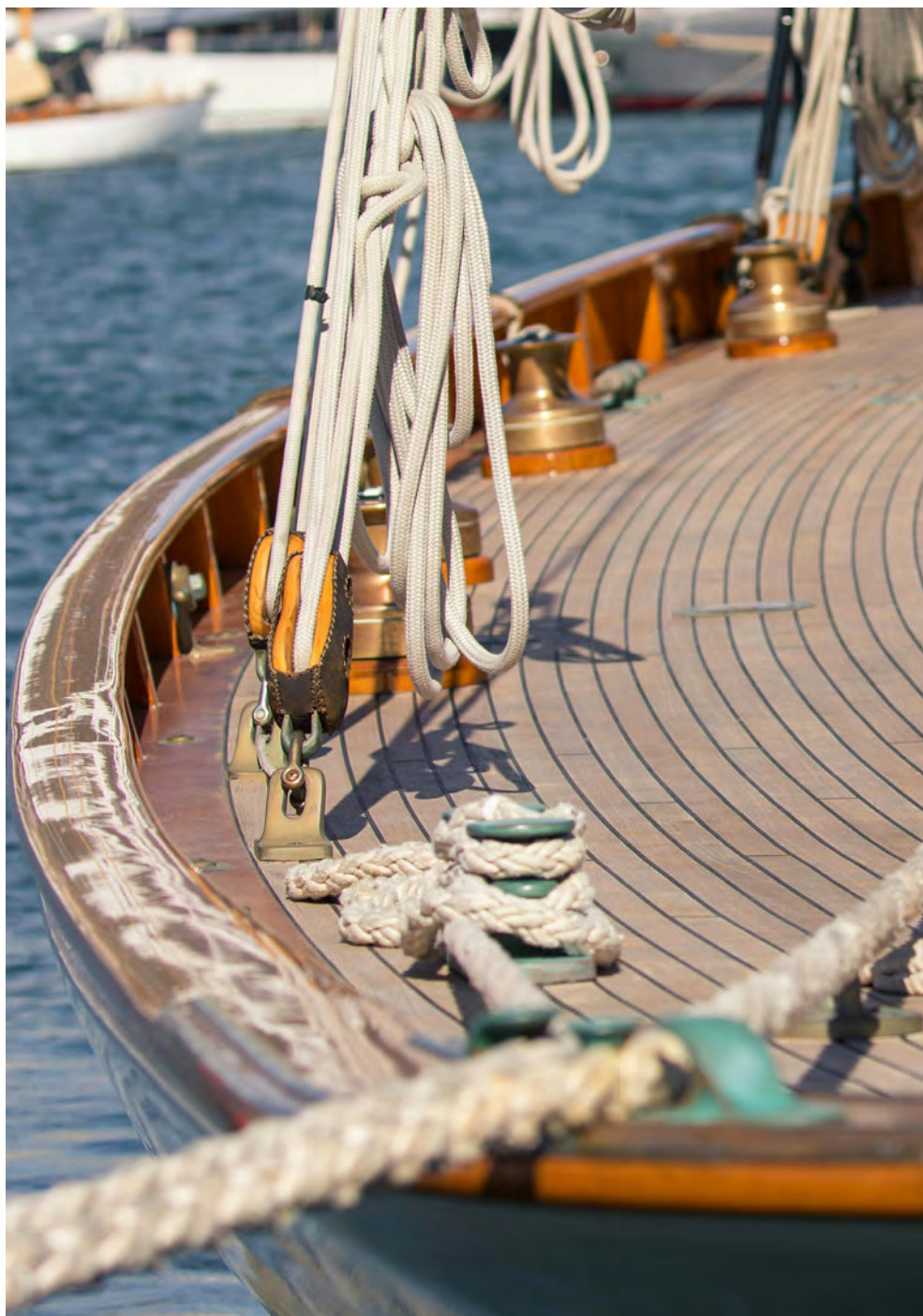
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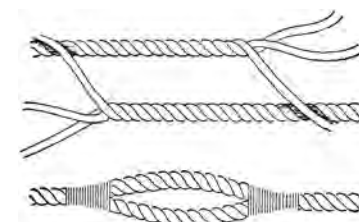
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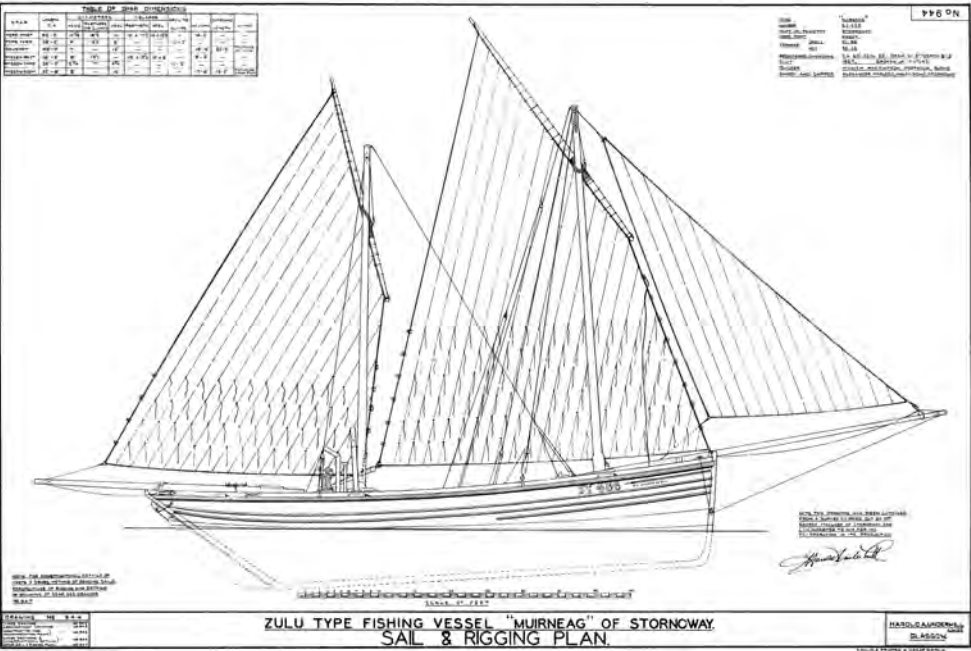
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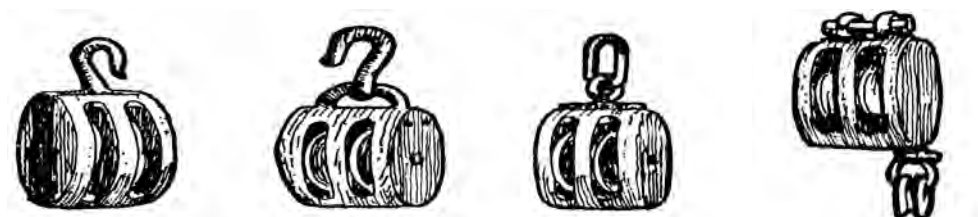
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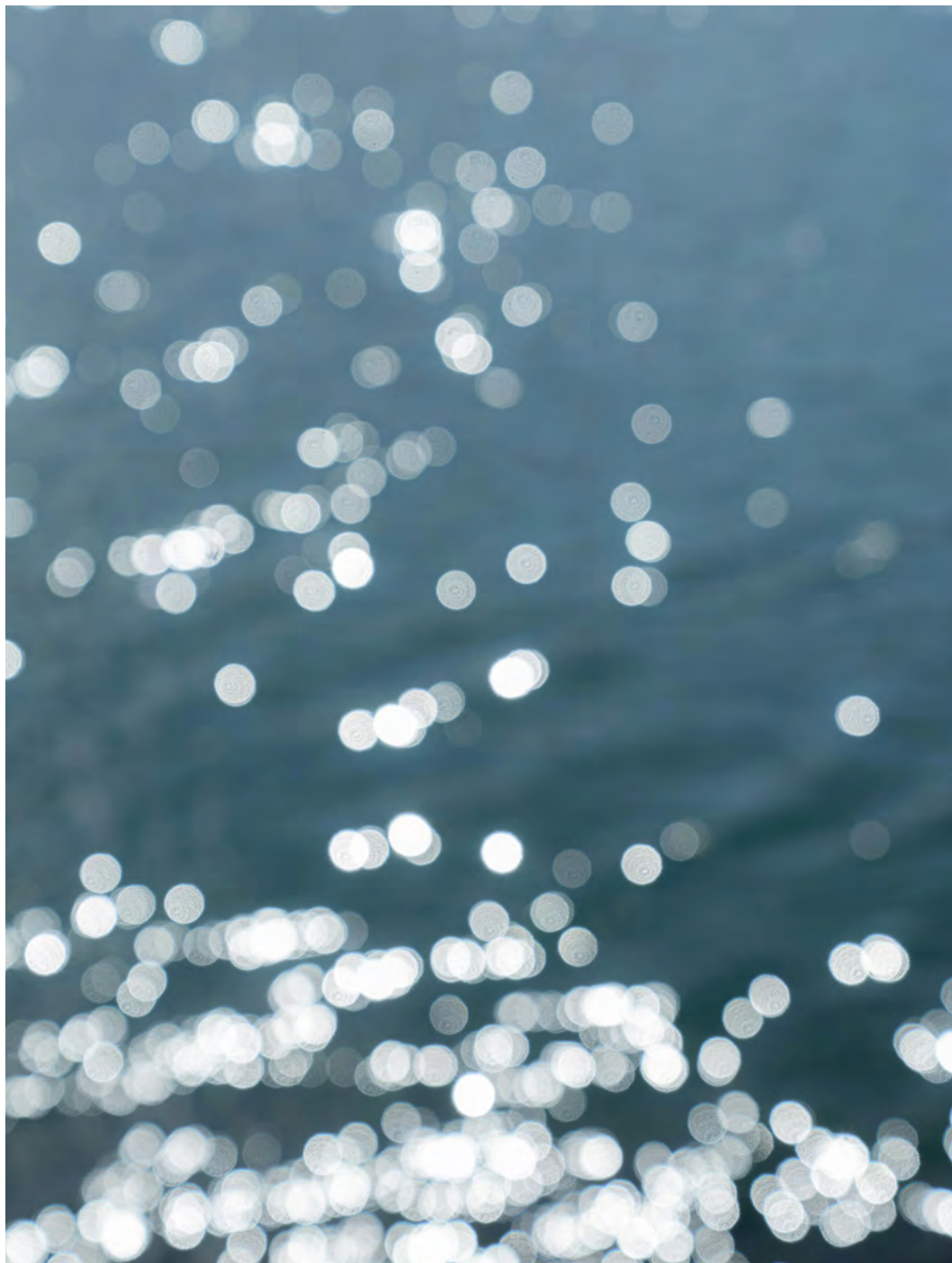
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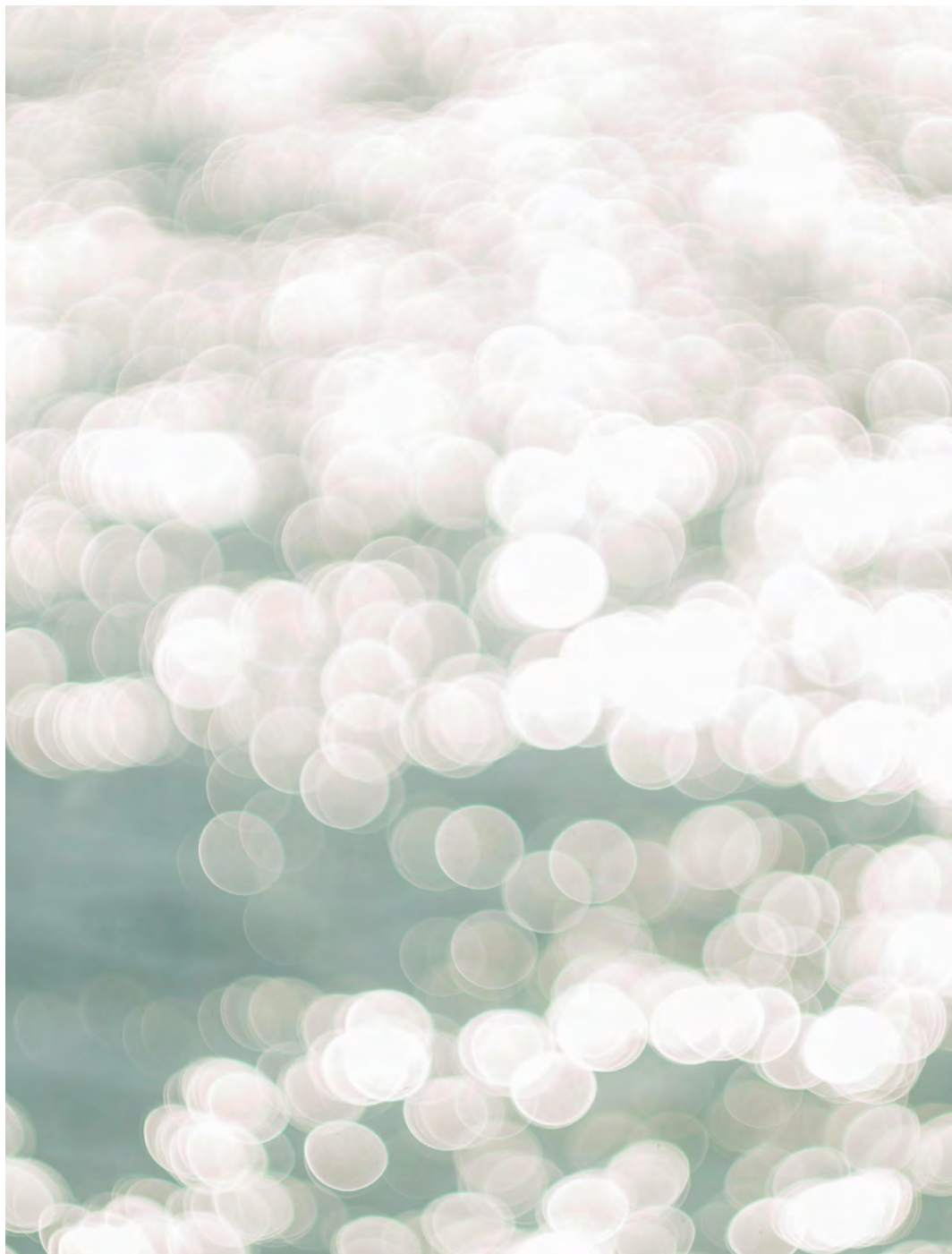
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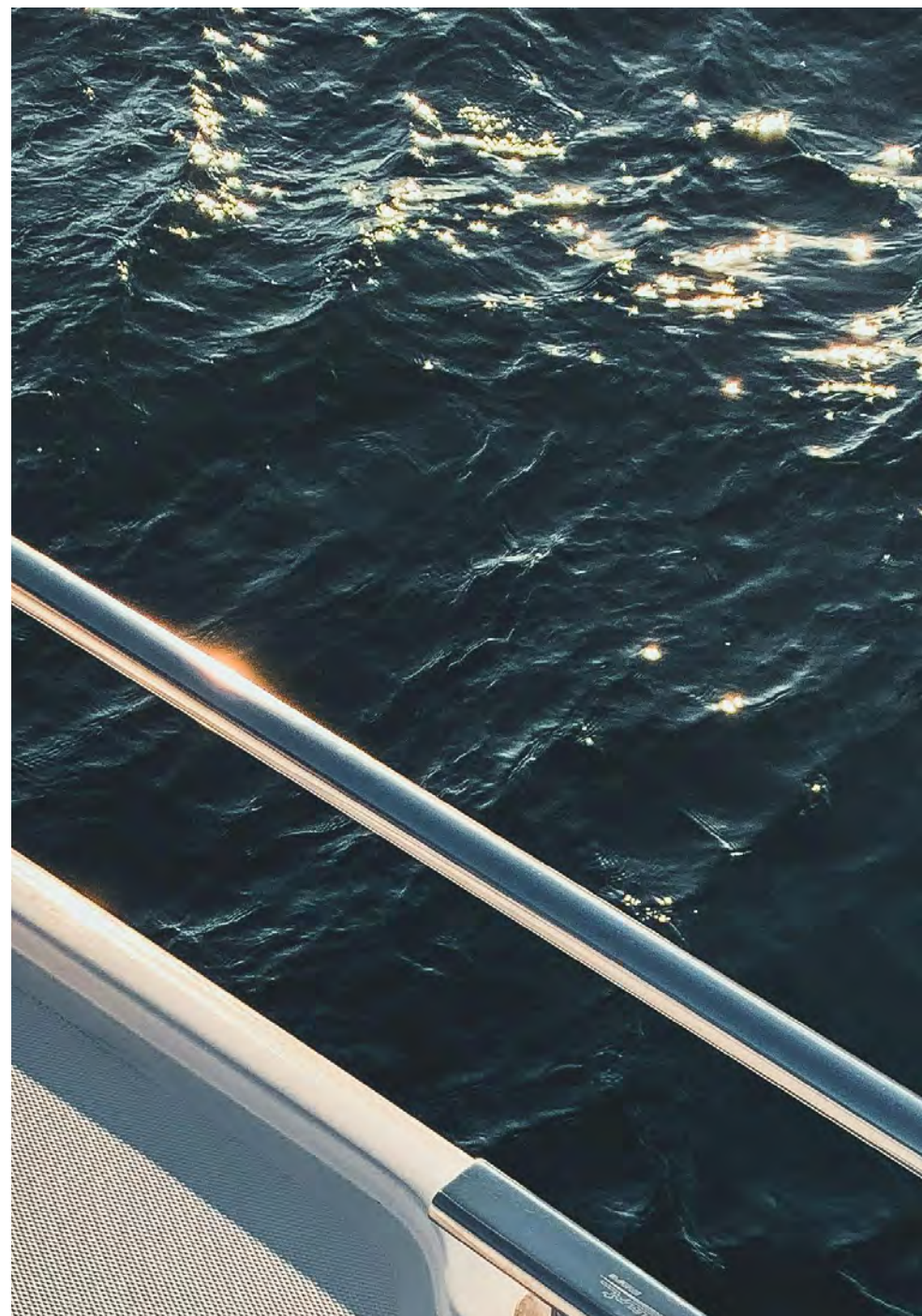
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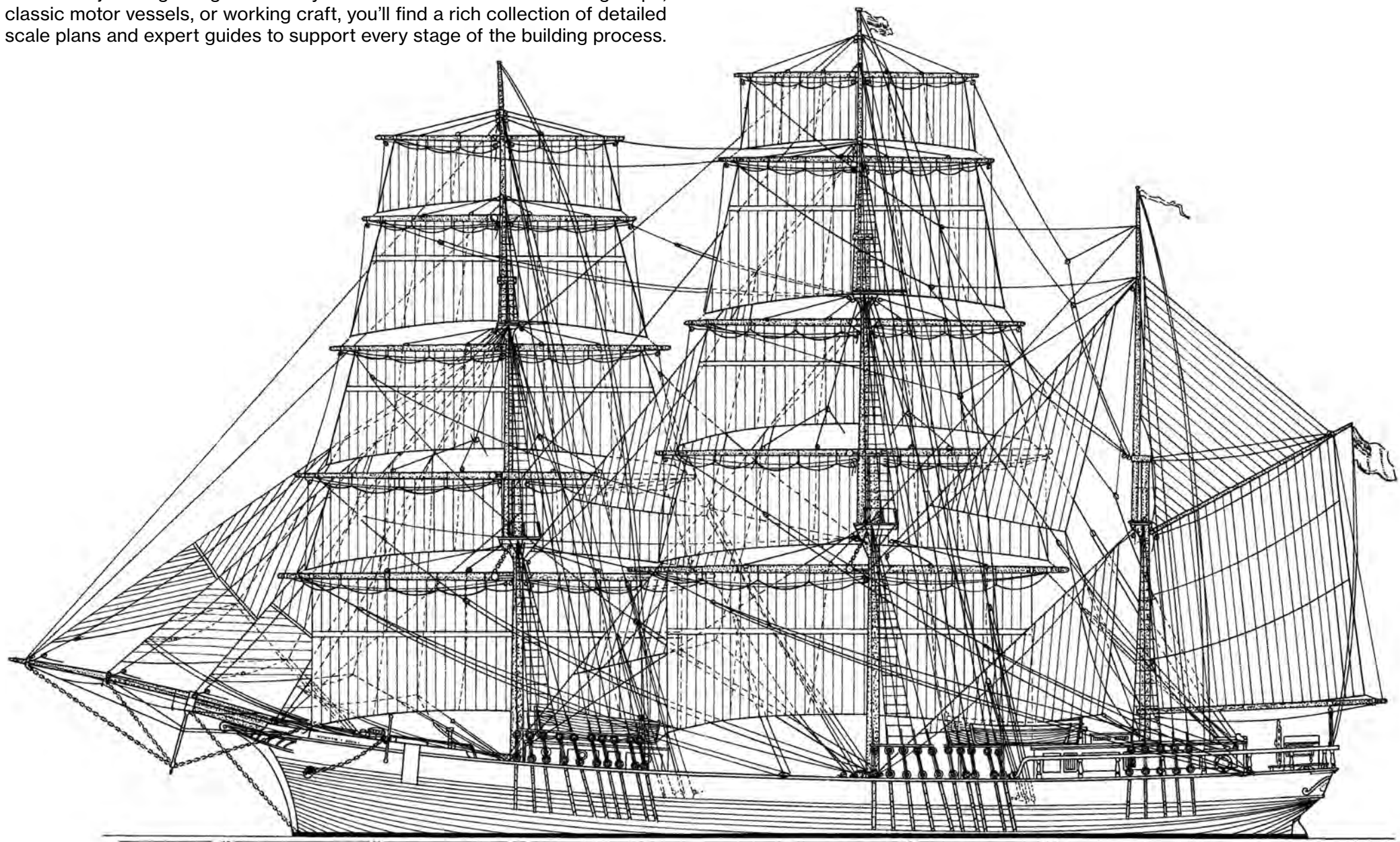
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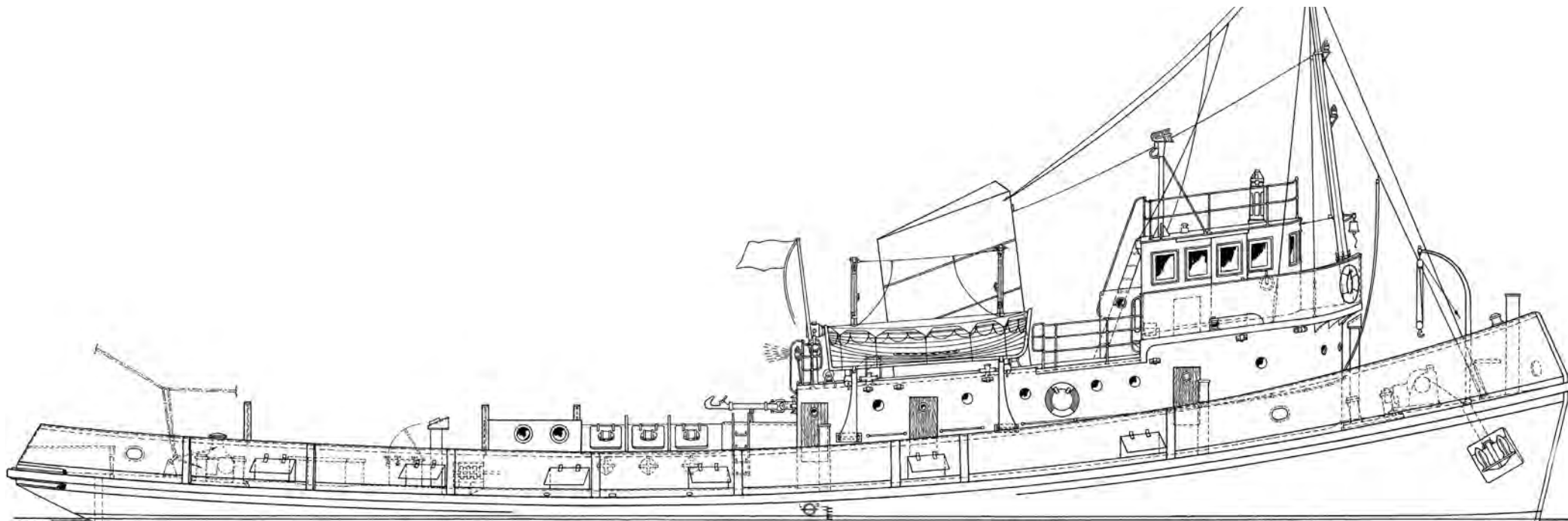
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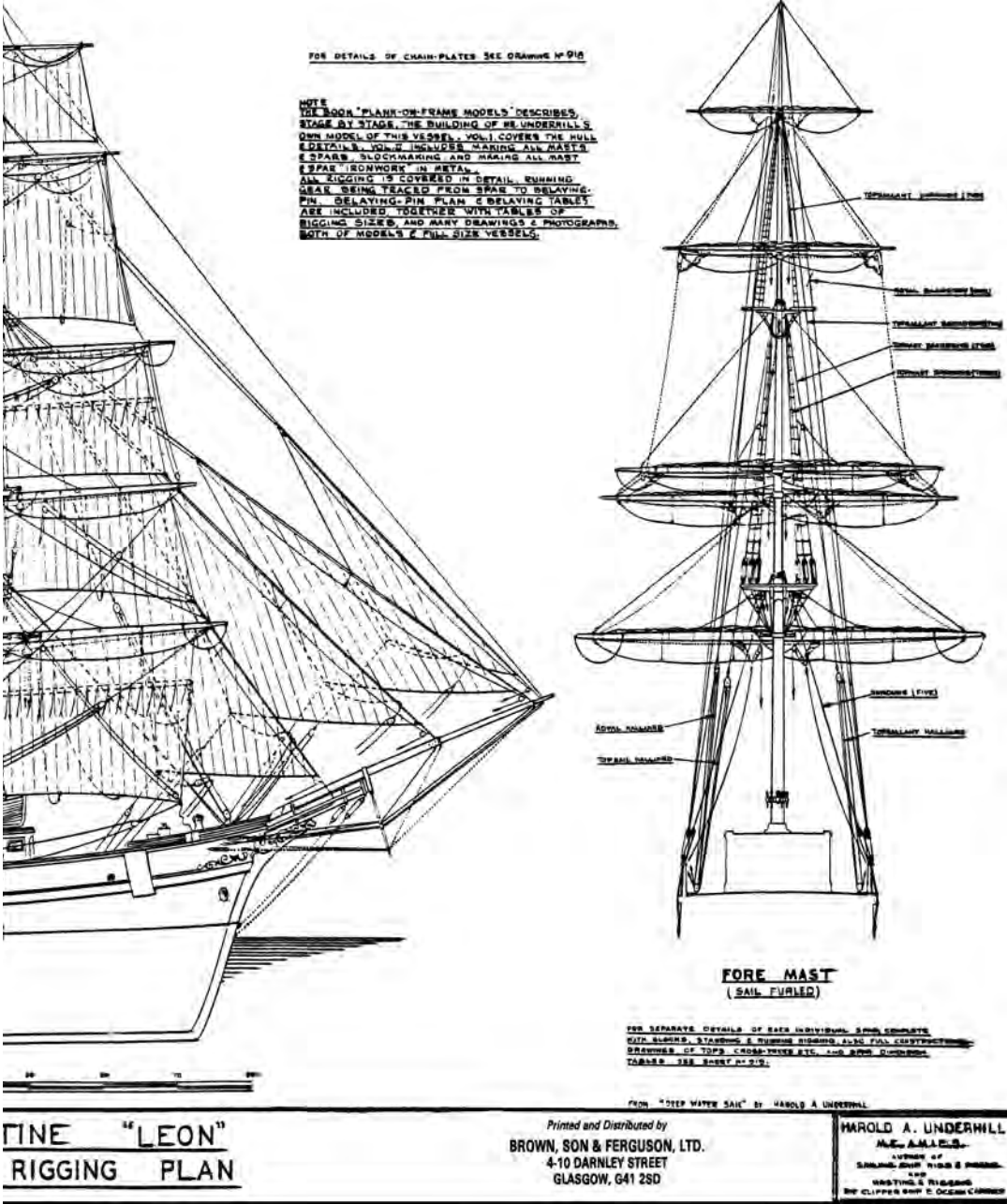
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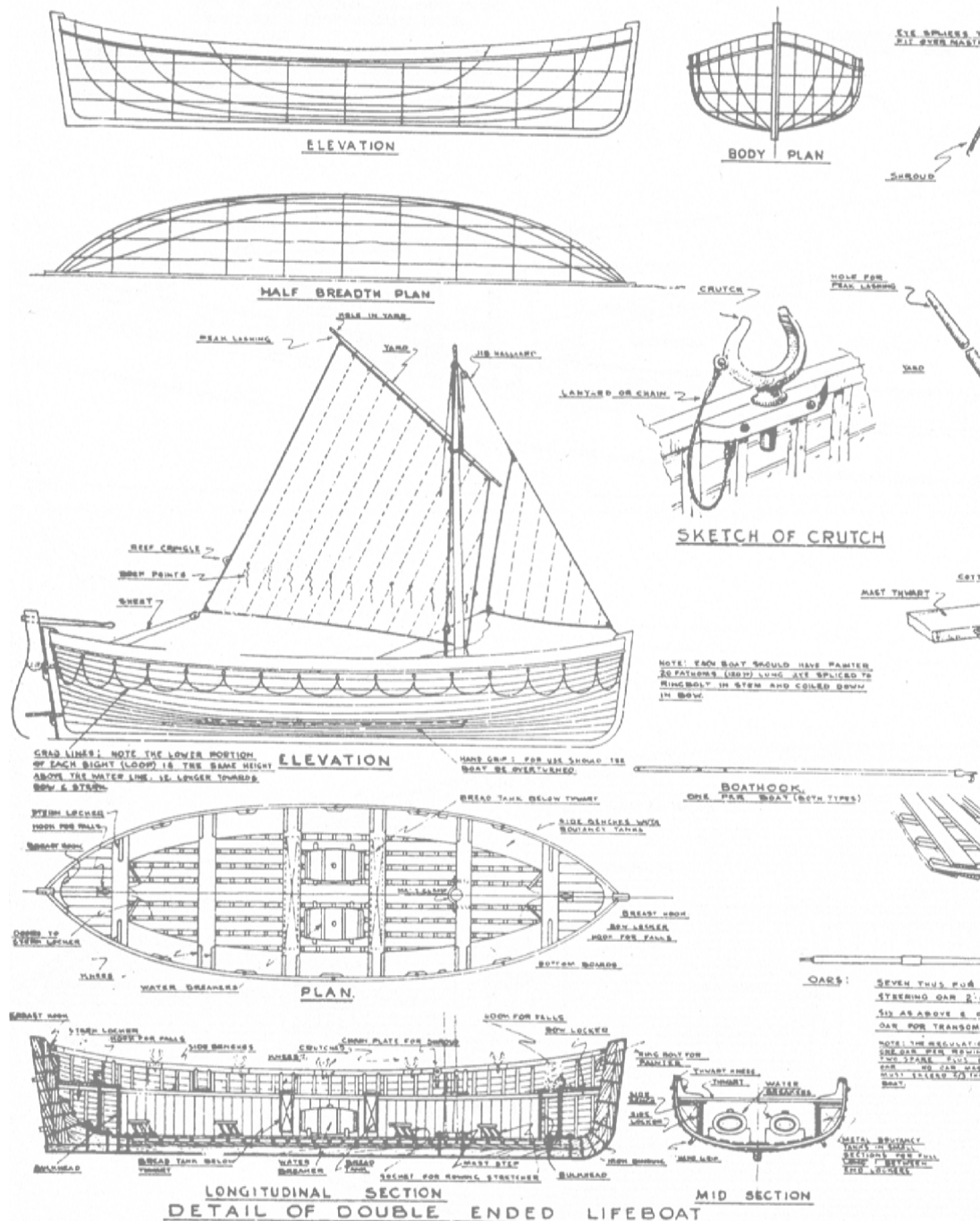
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