

The Clara Nevada

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February 5, 1898. Witnesses report a giant orange fireball reflected in the glacial waters of Alaska's Lynn Canal. At the height of Klondike gold fever, the *Clara Nevada* disappeared into an epic storm - taking passengers and priceless cargo with it.

Was the explosion an accident or a robbery gone wrong? Did Captain C.H. Lewis make off with \$165,000 (\$13.6 million in today's currency) in raw gold? Or was the sinking a case of a sea-weary steamer meeting an untimely end?

Alaska historian Steven C. Levi combs the archives to piece together the true account of the *Clara Nevada*'s final voyage, attempting to solve the riddle of the lost steamer that resurfaced 10 years after that tragic night and became known as Alaska's ghost ship.

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