

s.s. "MANCHESTER REGIMENT"

Abandoned after collision with s.s. "OROPESA", which is returning to port (?Halifax) with survivors for repairs. Salvage tug from St. John, N.B., proceeding to position.

Abandoned in lat. 44 50N, Long. 55 30W. Nine men lost.

Tug returned to St. John, N.B. No sign of vessel. The "Times" and "Telegraph" state that the "Manchester Regiment" sank. The "News Chronicle" and "Daily Express" state that the vessel is believed to be afloat as a derelict.

Note - As a tug proceeded to the position it is obvious that the vessel was last seen afloat, and therefore she was abandoned.

In Lloyd's Shipping Index the casualty is referred to as follows:-

In 44 50N, 55 30W 5/12/39. ABANDONED AFTER COLLISION.

To meet the Owners' wishes the casualty record of "LOST AFTER COLLISION 12,39" might be given in this case. The word "Sunk" is only given if a vessel is seen to sink or has since been found sunk.



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