

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, BREAKING UP, ETC.

Ship's Name ~~MS~~ "NORMANBY HALL"

Gross tons 332

Date of Build 7-1943

Casualty notice sent to Owners

21.10.65 Owners' Reply

29.10.65 Owners J.W. Coppack

Details of classification

+100A1	+LMC CS3,62
coasting service Great Britain & Ireland & between Brest & Hamburg	
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- Sarah Bowater, Holmsund, Bowaters Department
- Sara, Hafia, W. India, Star Shipping Agencies
- San Paulo, Barcelona, Dundee Wt. L. Dens & Co.
- Salamanca, Rio Gallegos, Royal Dks., Royal M.
- Layman, Clark & Co.
- Ruthensand (ex German), Vaskiluoto, J. A. Fin.
- Bromage & Co.
- Star Line, St. John's (N.F.), Tahara
- Rockhampton Star, Australia, Royal Dks., Blue St.
- Bromage & Co., Nov
- Ritmor, Neilsen, Nanortalik Island, Tahara
- Rivauix, Pepel, Ford's Jiv., Glover Bros.
- Rhodesia Star, Australia, Royal Dks., Blue St.
- Rhodesia Castle, Durban & E. Africa, W. Ind.
- Ramsvik, Archangel, Bruce's Wt., Cutting & Co.
- Punjab (Agency), British India S.N. Co., Oct 1
- Punta del Este, Montevideo, W. India, Tahara
- Prins Alexander, Chicago, 2 & 4 Sheds, Alber
- Port Melbourne, Lyttelton, Port Line, Oct 1
- Port Denison, Brisbane, Royal Dks., Port Line, Oct 1
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Suggested record "STRANDED & SANK 10,65"

Date of Committee

FRIDAY 5 NOV 1965

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Portavogie, Oct. 7. — Motor vessel Normanby Hall, which grounded on South Rock, Co. Down, has been refloated and is being towed to Belfast by British motor tanker Oarsman. Cloghy lifeboat returned to station.

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Following received from Coastguard, Portpatrick, at 4 24 p.m., G.M.T.: Donaghadee lifeboat launched and proceeding to assist Normanby Hall, in position south-east by east 6 1/2 miles from Donaghadee.

Following received from Oarsman at 4 28 p.m., G.M.T.: Have taken seven crew and one pilot leaving no one on board Normanby Hall. Position 5 miles 140 deg. Mew Island, proceeding Belfast with Normanby Hall in tow.

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