

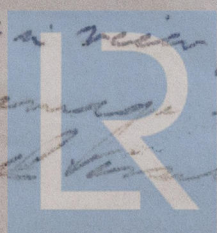
Middlesex

10<sup>th</sup> April 1890.

Wm Davidson

Wm Davidson, Master of  
the ship "S. L. Davidson" of  
10<sup>th</sup> April 1890 on the London & Lancashire  
Steam Navigation Co's ship, 1215 tons  
displacement, at the time of the collision with  
the vessel "S. L. Davidson" with  
view of ascertaining the extent of  
damage sustained & how far caused  
by the vessel striking the back wall of  
the dock at Middlesex Dock at 4.15 p.m.  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 1890 when returning  
from a trial trip to the Sea Bay and  
on returning striking a buoy inside  
the dock entrance while a change of  
wind at the time reported  
to have been blowing heavily, which  
caused the vessel to be damaged & sunk.

It is the vessel being afloat  
at Middlesex Dock with all the  
machinery & cargo on board & a view of the  
damage it was  
recommended that the vessel be



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placed in Craving Dock for examination  
of the stem frame &c.

On 24th April 1890 I viewed  
the said Craving Dock, a  
further examination was made when it  
was found that no damage had resulted  
to the stem frame beyond an abrasion on  
the port side of the heel of the frame evidently  
caused by the blades of the propeller falling  
across it & paint on the upper portion of the  
bilge was badly scratched all for 2 ft.  
of the vessel rubbing against the sides of the  
Dock entrance & a 5 ft high transverse  
trap was badly chafed & about one  
half of it gone, it having parted at the  
time of the accident.

Recommended. That the 5 ft high transverse  
trap be replaced & the bottom repainted  
as required to place the vessel in the same  
efficient condition as before the accident  
occurred.

W. Davidson  
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above mentioned matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours, &c.  
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