

TORLAK.—Narvik, Jan. 6.—Röst wireless station telegraphs that the Norwegian steamer Torlak has been abandoned sinking in approximately lat. 64 50 N., long. 8 10 E.

Trondheim, Jan. 6.—British tug **QUEENS CROSS** reports by wireless, at 1 15 p.m., that the Norwegian steamer Torlak, which was in tow, was abandoned in a sinking condition in lat. 64 50 N., long. 8 10 E.; crew left the vessel.

—Christiansund, Jan. 6.—Hear through wireless that tug **QUEENS CROSS**, with steamer Torlak in tow, from Aalesund, left the steamer in lat. 64 50 N., long. 8 11 E.; SW. storm.—Lloyd's Agent.

—Christiansund, Jan. 6.—Master of tug **QUEENS CROSS** telegraphed at 4 15 p.m., G.M.T.: Taken crew off and abandoned ship, making for Christiansund. Southerly gale, doing about two knots.

Wick Wireless Station, Jan. 7.—Following messages received from British tug **QUEENS CROSS**:—

Timed noon, Jan. 6: Ship making water, heavy list, strong SW. wind, sea too high to get connected, abandoned in approximately lat. 64 50 N., long. 8 10 E. One man killed when launching lifeboat to get crew off ship. Making for Christiansund.

Timed 9 p.m., Jan. 6: Ship had not sunk when we left but making water and had heavy list. All safe including men off ship. Proceeding slowly against southerly gale, arrival uncertain. (Note.—The tug **QUEENS CROSS** left Aalesund for Rosyth on Dec. 27, towing Norwegian steamer Torlak, to be broken up.)

all **TORLAK.**—Narvik, Jan. 8.—A wireless message from Röst Radio reports Norwegian steamer Torlak, abandoned by the crew, observed adrift inside Röst. Norwegian steamer Hassel gone in search; Fresh NW. breeze. (See issue of Jan. 8.)

TORLAK.—Oslo, Jan. 9.—The tug **QUEENS CROSS** has arrived at Christiansund after her battle against storms. The crew say that they had "a very hard turn," especially during the last two days when they were running short of food. George Wardropper, they state, is the name of the sailor who lost his life when the Norwegian steamer Torlak, which the **QUEENS CROSS** was towing, had to be abandoned. The other men on board the Torlak were saved. The body of Wardropper, who belong to Middlesbrough, has been brought to the chapel at Christiansund.—Reuter.

Oslo, Jan. 9.—The Norwegian steamer Torlak was found by a Norwegian coastal steamer, which is now towing her to the fishing port of Bodø, in the county of Nordland. It is expected that they will arrive some time to-night.—Reuter.

Narvik, Jan. 10.—Following from Lloyd's Sub-Agent at Bodø: Norwegian steamer Torlak, abandoned by the crew, towed into Bodø by Norwegian steamer Hidsel.

TORLAK.—Narvik, Jan. 11.—Steamer Torlak: Slight list to starboard, little water in Nos. 2, 3 and 4 hatches, probably from deck as no tarpaulins over hatches. Slight leak observed port side engine-room. Expect very small cost to make vessel fit to proceed in tow. No moorings on board except anchors and chain, boilers short of water. Salvors have three men on board who intend to get water pumped in boilers.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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