

## REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &amp;c.

No. 74556 in R.B. Wreck Book No. 57/53

Date of writing this report 19th June 19 53

Ship's Name s.s. "RIVIERE"

of Grimsby

Tons { Gross 226  
Net 109

Built at Beverley When 1916 5

Casualty notice sent to Owner

Owner's reply ---

Owners Derwent Trawlers, Ltd.

Managers Grimsby Industries (Trawler Managers) Ltd.

Address 1, Hutton Road, Grimsby

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## Classification details

100A1	LMC4,49
Stm Trawler	BS12,52
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ssGms. 2nd No. 3-7,44	ts 6,51 CL
ssGms. -4,49	

10th June, 1953.

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This ship was sunk by collision in dense fog,  
miles off Flamborough Head. No casualty notice has  
been sent to the Owners. Owners concur (15r-17.6.)

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION

RIVIERE. Cullercoats Radio, June 10.  
Following received from British  
steamer FIRELIGHT (London for  
Tyne):

At 4 55 a.m., G.M.T.: At 4 20 a.m.,  
G.M.T., in position 46 deg. five miles  
from Flamborough Head, in collision  
with trawler. Trawler sank and our  
lifeboat launched 15 rescue survivors.  
Dense fog. Our lifeboat just in sight.

At 5 23 a.m., G.M.T.: Our lifeboat  
returned with three survivors who re-  
port original crew 13. Sunk trawler  
Riviere, GY 94, fishing out of Grimsby.  
Two deck hands and one fireman res-  
cued. Survivors state that Riviere life-  
boat was not launched. FIRELIGHT  
cruising in vicinity of position of sunken  
trawler searching for possible survivors.  
Visibility poor.

Flamborough Head, June 10.  
Flamborough lifeboat was launched to  
assist search for survivors of trawler  
Riviere, sunk in collision with steamer  
FIRELIGHT at 4 20 a.m., G.M.T.,  
to-day in dense fog.

Cullercoats Radio, June 10.  
Following received from Swedish  
steamer Bjorko at 5 30 a.m., G.M.T.:  
Position nine miles NE. from sunken  
trawler proceeding to assist with search.  
Following received from steamer  
FIRELIGHT:

At 6 8 a.m., G.M.T.: We are still  
cruising in vicinity of sunken trawler.

No more survivors sighted. A  
communication with Flamborough  
who expects to sight me in 20  
minutes.

At 6 46 a.m., G.M.T.: Flamborou  
lifeboat now approaching.

Following received from British motor  
vessel Paringa at 6 47 a.m., G.M.T.: At  
6 30 a.m., G.M.T., 9.5 miles NNW. of  
Flamborough Head, thick fog. Will  
keep sharp look out for survivors.

Following received from steamer  
FIRELIGHT at 7 51 a.m., G.M.T.: At  
7 30 a.m., G.M.T., after consulta-  
tion with Flamborough Head life-  
boat coxswain, proceeding on voyage  
to Tyne. Flamborough lifeboat remain-  
ing in vicinity of collision searching for  
possible survivors. Three members of  
trawler rescued have been transferred  
to Flamborough lifeboat.

Following received from Swedish  
steamer Bjorko at 8 38 a.m., G.M.T.:  
Have been searching in position of  
sunken trawler. Have seen pieces of  
fishing gear marked "DW." Now pro-  
ceeding to Tyne.

London, June 10.—The  
Flamborough lifeboat landed the three  
survivors from trawler Riviere this  
afternoon. The lifeboat also landed the  
body of the trawler's third hand. One  
of the survivors said the lifeboat crew  
saw the body of the second engineer  
floating in the water, but it sank before  
they could pick it up.—Exchange Tele-  
graph Company.

South Shields, June 10.—  
Steamer FIRELIGHT has stem dam-  
age and is going to Middle Docks,  
South Shields, for examination and  
repair.—LLOYD'S LIST Correspondent.

North Shields, June 10.—  
Steamer FIRELIGHT arrived in the  
Tyne to-day with starboard side of fore-  
peak holed. Vessel proceeded to Middle  
Docks, South Shields.

Grimsby, June 10.—  
Trawler Riviere sank in four minutes.  
Ten members of the crew are missing,  
believed drowned, one body has been  
recovered. The Riviere was due to dock  
at Grimsby this afternoon from the  
Faroes.—LLOYD'S LIST Correspondent.

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SECTION

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Suggested Record

SUNK BY COLLISION - 6,53

Date of Committee

FRIDAY 26 JUN 1953

Committee's Minute

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