

WRECK DAY

No. 160 Sec 2

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ARAGONITE

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 04906 in R. B. Wreck Book p. 95/39 Date of writing this report 13th December, 1939

Vessel's Name Steel Steamer Trawler "Aragonite" of Hull Tons Gross 315 Net 138

Built at Beverley When 1934 7 Casualty notice sent to Owner 6/12/39 Owner's reply 8/12/39

Owner's Name Kingston Steam Trawling Co. Ltd.

Address St. Andrew's Dock, Hull.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

Case previously before Classing Committee. Date Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

FI 100A1 S.M. Trawler 6.39 SS No 1-38 PL MC 4.38 TS 8.38CL

Date of Casualty 22nd November, 1939.

Précis of particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have struck a mine off the southeast coast on the 22nd November, 1939.

Two tugs took her in tow, but before she could be beached, she heeled over on her side and sank.

The mines company.

RETAINED

MINESWEEPER LOST

The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that his Majesty's minesweeper Aragonite, of 315 tons, was damaged by a mine and subsequently sank on Wednesday. Four ratings were injured and their next-of-kin have been informed. The Aragonite sank off the South-East Coast, and the crew of 17 were picked up by tugs. The four injured men were seriously hurt. Huge volumes of water were thrown into the air by the explosion, and many people on the promenade of a coastal town heard the explosion.

Times 24/11

Minesweeper Sunk: Four Injured

THE Admiralty announced last night that the minesweeper Aragonite (315 tons) was damaged by a mine and subsequently sank on Wednesday. Four ratings were injured and their next-of-kin have been informed. The Aragonite, before being taken over by the Admiralty, was a trawler owned by a Hull company.

NC 24/11

MINESWEEPER SUNK

The Admiralty announces that H.M. minesweeper Aragonite, of 315 tons, was damaged by a mine and subsequently sank on Wednesday. Four ratings were injured. The vessel sank off the South-East Coast after striking what was thought to be a magnetic mine. Two tugs picked up all the crew and attempted to tow the rapidly sinking trawler to land, but before they could beach her she heeled over on her side and sank. Most of the crew are from Lowestoft and Grimsby. The four injured were seriously hurt.

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Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

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