

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

"HAMSTERLEY"

 WRECK BY
 No. 167

Section 4

No. 25614 in R. B.

Wreck Book, p. 101/39

Date of writing this report 1st January 1940

Vessel's Name

Steel S.S. "Hamsterley"

of Newcastle

Tons { Gross 2160
Net 1261

Built at

Middlesbro'

When 1925

YEAR. MONTH.

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Casualty notice sent to Owner 20/12/39

Owner's reply X

Owner's Name

Hartley S.S. Co. Ltd. (Richley, Halvorsen & Sample, Mgrs.)

Address

Milburn House, Dean Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

Case previously before

Date

Particulars of Classification.

Classing Committee.

Last Minute

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11,39

MSY 56
BS 3,39

SS No 3-1,38

TS 7,38CL

One British steamer has been sunk and two more damaged by collisions at sea.

The 2,160-ton Hamsterley was in collision with another vessel off the Norfolk coast and sank in 20 minutes. One man, a lascar, is missing.

D. Mail
5/12

of Casualty

3rd December, 1939

particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have been sunk in twenty minutes by collision about three miles south of the Haisboro' Lightvessel, Norfolk, on the 3rd December, 1939.

It is stated that the forward part as far as the after end of No. 2 hold is sunk in deep water and that her back is broken at the forward end of the bridge. Salvage is considered impracticable.

No reply has been received to the casualty notice addressed to the Owners on the 20th ultimo.

Twenty minutes after being involved in a collision with another vessel off the Norfolk coast the steamer Hamsterley (2,160 tons) sank in the North Sea early yesterday. One lascar seaman is missing.

D. Tel
5/12

The remainder of the crew of 23, including six lascars and two Swedes, were taken aboard the other vessel, a large ship which was undamaged, and later transferred to an East Coast lifeboat, which landed them.

One British steamer was reported sunk yesterday and three others badly damaged in collisions. The vessel lost was the Hamsterley, 2,160 tons of Newcastle, which collided with another vessel off the Norfolk coast and sank 20 minutes later. One lascar seaman is missing. The rest of the crew of 23 took to the boats and were rescued by the colliding vessel which was undamaged. They were later transferred to an East Coast lifeboat. The Hamsterley's captain said: "After the crash I went forward but a few minutes later the ship was awash and began to dive."

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Suggested Record

Sunk by collision 12,39

Date of Committee

TUE 2 JAN 1940

Committee's Minute

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