

# REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Date of writing this report 15th February 1940

Vessel's Name Steel Arm Trawler "Barbara Robertson" of Fleetwood Tons {Gross 325  
Net 148

Built at Selby When 1919 6 Casualty notice sent to Owner 25/1/40 Owner's reply 31/1/40

Owner's Name Boston Deep Sea Fishing &amp; Ice Co. Ltd. (B.D. Parker, Mgr)

Address Fleetwood

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

Case previously before

Date

Classing Committee

Last Minute

## Particulars of Classification.

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Stm Trawler	+LMC 4,36
11,39	BS 3,39
SS No 3-332	
SS No 1-36	TS 11,39CL

f Casualty 27th December, 1939.

of particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have been sunk by a submarine North West of Scotland on the 27th December 1939.

The Owners concur.

"BARBARA ROBERTSON"  
Survivors of the Fleetwood trawler Barbara Robertson, which was sunk by a U-boat, 30 to 40 miles off the coast of North-West Scotland, arrived in Fleetwood yesterday after having been landed in Scotland. A deckhand was lost, the remainder of the crew getting away in the ship's boat. The trawler was attacked by shellfire in the early hours of last Wednesday. The first intimation the crew had of the attack was when a shell smashed the wheelhouse, putting the wireless and the steam steering gear out of action. The submarine only ceased firing when the ship's boat was pulling away and firing was resumed as soon as the boat was about 100 yards away. The Barbara Robertson sank in 20 minutes. The crew were in the boat for about 10 hours before being seen by a seaplane, which dropped a message that assistance would be sent. The message was written on a piece of paper and wrapped in cloth, and was recovered from the water. The plane then went off, and about an hour and a half later a patrol boat came up, directed by the plane. The Barbara Robertson, of 325 tons gross, was built by Cochrane & Sons, Ltd., Selby, in 1919, and was acquired by the Boston Deep Sea Fishing & Ice Company, Ltd., last year.

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Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

BUNK-WAR LOSS 12.39

FRI. 16 FEB 1940

Sunk-War Loss 12.39

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Steam Trawler.