

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 31625 in R. B.

Wreck Book

9/3/35

Date of writing this report

193

Vessel's Name

Steel S.S. "Pendennis"

of

Newcastle

Tons

Net

1161

Gross

2001

Built at Sunderland When 1911

Casualty notice sent to Owner 26/11/35 Owner's reply

Owner's Name

Pendennis S.S. Co. Ltd.

Address

Templetown, Tyne Dock, South Shields

Case previously, before

Date

Classing Committee

Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

F 10091
 235
 S.S. No 3-224
 S.S. No 2-33

+ LMG 233
 BS 335
 TS 235
 CL

Date of Casualty

20th October, 1935.

Précis of particulars of Casualty

This vessel left West Hartlepool on the 18th October for Hamburg with a cargo of coal. A heavy south-west gale swept her during the night near the Dogger Bank. The cargo shifted and the vessel developed a list to starboard. Seas swept across her, damaging the hatches.

The crew took to the boats, were picked up and taken to Rotterdam. She was last seen in lat 54° 5' N, long 5° 23' E, and no further information has come to hand.

The usual casualty notice was sent to the Owners on the 26th November, but no reply has yet been received.

Lloyd's state by telephone that the Underwriters have admitted total loss, and it appears from the Board of Trade Return for October that the vessel's registry has been closed with the notation "Sunk 20.10.35".

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

PENDENNIS.—Humber Wireless Station, Oct. 20.—Following received from Swedish steamer Suecia dispatched at 11 41 a.m., G.M.T.: Here from British steamer Pendennis, lat. 54° 3' N., long. 4° E., approximately, tarpaulins going, dangerous list to port, bilges full, require any ships in vicinity to stand by.

Dispatched at 12 38 p.m., G.M.T.: British steamer Pendennis says tarpaulins giving, dangerous list to port, bilges full, wireless room flooded.

At 12 39 p.m., G.M.T., Suecia informs: We have turned round and proceeding Pendennis position.

Following received from Swedish steamer Suecia at 3 22 p.m., G.M.T.: Steamer Pendennis now pressing his key and crew leaving ship. At 3 31 p.m. position of Pendennis by wireless bearings from Scheveningen Radio and Suecia, SENT, lat. 54° 20' N., long. 5° 32' E.

Following received from Norwegian steamer Iris, LFHA, at 4 18 p.m., G.M.T.: 4 p.m. picked up 22 men from steamer Pendennis.

PENDENNIS.—Hamburg, Oct. 21.—Nineteen men, survivors of the crew of the British steamer Pendennis, who were picked up by the Norwegian steamer Iris, were landed here this morning. Interviewed, Captain John Lovell House stated that the Pendennis left West Hartlepool on Friday morning (Oct. 18) for Hamburg, with a cargo of coal. A heavy SW. gale swept the vessel during the night near the Dogger Bank. The cargo was shifted, and the vessel developed a list to starboard. Seas sweeping across the vessel damaged the hatches on Saturday night. When they left the Pendennis, which had not yet sunk, her position was lat. 54° 5' N., long. 5° 23' E., north of Terschelling.—Reuter.

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Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

Sunk 10.35.

3rd December, 1935

Abandoned at Sea

10.35

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