

12 NOV 1930

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

No. 73314 in R. B.

Wreck Book, p.

Date of writing this report

Vessel's Name *Steel Twin S.S. "Highland Hope"* of *Belfast*

Tons (Net 8733 Gross 14129)

Built at *Glasgow* When *1930*Casualty notice sent to Owner *12.30* Owner's reply *12.30*Owner's Name *Nelson Steam Nav Co Ltd (Mr W Nelson & Sons)*Address *14 Leadenhall Street, London E.C.3*Case previously before  
Classing Committee.

Date

Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

<i>+1000A1</i>	<i>+LMC 1.30</i>
<i>with full board</i>	<i>+Lloyd's RMC</i>
<i>11.30</i>	<i>9.30</i>

Date of Casualty

*19th November 1930.*

of particulars of Casualty

*This steamer is reported to have been wrecked near Farilhoes on 19th November.*

*In reply to a casualty notice the Owners state that although it is true she has been wrecked they think it just a little premature to make a record of the circumstances in the Register Book. They have abandoned her to the Underwriters, but understand that some work is still being done in connection with her. The Owners add, however, that should it be the wish of the Committee to make the suggested record of casualty they could not raise any objection.*

*5th January 1931.*

*In reply to enquiry by telephone the Owners state that the vessel has been abandoned as a total loss by all concerned.*

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

**LAND HOPE.** Land's End Station, Nov. 19.—Following received from German tug Seefalke at 5.8 a.m. "S.O.S." from British motor vessel Highland Hope, ashore off Farilhoes.

Land's End Wireless Station, Nov. 19.—Following intercepted from British motor vessel Highland Hope at 6.42 a.m. (G.M.T.). At 17 a.m. "S.O.S." ashore off Farilhoes, 21 boats away.

Portishead Wireless Station, Nov. 19.—Following information from steamer Rajputana at 6.39 a.m.: Motor vessel Highland Hope, call sign GJKP, in distress off Farilhoes, Lisbon, and steamer Mandala is 20 miles from him and going to his assistance.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—The wireless station at Graciosa intercepted about 6 o'clock this morning a message from the liner Highland Hope saying that she had run ashore near the Farilhoes. Asked by the wireless station whether she required help the Highland Hope replied, "Yes." The Commander-in-Chief of the Navy immediately ordered the tug Patrao Lopes to proceed to the scene of the wreck. The passengers of the Highland Hope have been taken to the lifeboats, which are being towed by trawlers.—Reuter.

Portishead Wireless Station, Nov. 19.—Following message received from steamer Mandala, tin 10.15 a.m.: Motor vessel Highland Hope at 6.15 a.m. ashore off Farilhoes, boats away. We are standing by in Highland Hope but in thick weather nobody yet picked up.

Barcelona, Nov. 19.—Wireless message from seller (Majorca) reports British motor vessel Highland Hope stranded on Farilhoes Shoals, between Oporto and Lisbon. Tugs Max Berendt and Witte Z. will assist.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—British motor vessel Highland Hope. Salvage steamer Valkyrien has gone to her assistance.

London, Nov. 19.—The following wireless message has been received from the salvage tug Max Berendt, dated Nov. 19: Sailed from Corcubion early this morning for the motor vessel Highland Hope.

London, Nov. 19.—The following cable has been received from Copenhagen, dated Nov. 19: Salvage steamer Geir also proceeding to assistance of motor vessel Highland Hope from Almeria.

London, Nov. 19.—The owners of the motor vessel Highland Hope have received the following cables from their agents, dated Lisbon, Nov. 19: Motor vessel Highland Hope reported ashore near Farilhoes, north of Burling, in dense fog. Salvage tugs Danish Valkyrien, Portuguese Cabo Sardo and Patrao Lopes are leaving for spot. Understand salvage tug also leaving Gibraltar. Dense fog continues on coast and rivers.

Captain Jones reports Highland Hope struck on rock about 5 o'clock this morning in dense fog and was bumping heavily. Engine-room dry but No. 1 hold 4 ft. water, Nos. 2 and 3 holding, Nos. 4, 5 and 6 11 ft. water; two tunnels flooded; settling down by stern. All passengers and crew ashore.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—British motor vessel Highland Hope. Further reports state crew and passengers landed, vessel apparently settling down by the stern.

RETAIN

Suggested Record/

Date of Committee

FRI. 5 DEC 1930

Committee's Minute

Deferred

One month

Wrecked 11.30

TUE. 6 JAN 1931

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Foundation

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# REPORT of SURVEY for REPAIRS, &c.

12 NOV 1930

Date of writing Report

When handed in at Lloyd's Office

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Location

1930.

Portsmouth Wireless Station, Nov. 19.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: At 1 10 p.m. steamer Mandala informs us he is proceeding on voyage and assumes passengers of Highland Hope all gone ashore. Few small fishing craft searching around Highland Hope. Tugs (and steamer) Luis Adaro expected to reach Highland Hope about midday and tug Max Berendt also on way.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—The Nelson liner Highland Hope struck a reef off the Farilhoes Islands, 13 miles west of Peniche, at 4 o'clock this morning. There was a dense fog. Immediate appeals were sent by wireless for help. The passengers were summoned to the boat stations and embarked in six of the ship's lifeboats. Portuguese trawlers soon appeared on the scene and took the lifeboats in tow. In nautical circles here it is thought that great difficulties may be experienced in saving the vessel as she is lying on a dangerous reef of rocks in a bad position. A portion of the crew are apparently remaining on board to assist the salvage vessels, the remainder have taken to the boats. Two powerful tugs, the Cabo Sardao and the Valkyrien, are on their way to the wreck. The Wireless Station at Gravato announced that at 10 10 a.m. the Highland Hope had ceased to reply to messages.—Reuter.

London, Nov. 19.—In spite of the thick fog which greatly hindered the work of the tugs which went to the rescue of the Highland Hope, all the passengers in the vessel were saved. No one was killed, but a Spanish emigrant was somewhat seriously injured. Any attempt to get the vessel off is at present impossible. The Highland Hope is lying on the rocks with her stern in the sea.—Reuter.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Latest reports states vessel bumping heavily, four feet water in No. 1 hold and eleven feet in Nos. 4, 5 and 6 holds, other holds and engine-room dry. Tunnels flooded. Ship apparently settling down by stern. All passengers and crew landed. Valkyrien left Lisbon this morning to assist.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

London, Nov. 19.—The owners of the motor vessel Highland Hope announce to-night: All the passengers and crew have been safely landed and are being sent on by special train to Lisbon where they will arrive about 8 p.m. this evening, the owners meanwhile having made all arrangements as to their accommodation. The first and intermediate class passengers for South American ports will go forward by the Royal Mail vessel Asturias and the third class passengers by the Royal Mail steamer Darro. Arrangements are also being made to accommodate passengers intended for Las Palmas. (Note.—The Highland Hope left London on Nov. 15 for Buenos Ayres. At the time of stranding she had on board 154 passengers and about 200 emigrants.)

HIGHLAND HOPE.—London, Nov. 20.—The following message has been received from steamer Valkyrien via Montsanto Wireless Station, dated Nov. 19: Motor vessel Highland Hope ashore north side north-east Farilhoes. After deck submerged, ten degrees list seawards. Swell pounding heavily on her. Crew left. Hundreds fishermen engaged salvage luggage, &c. Standing by till to-morrow.

Lisbon, Nov. 19.—That the Highland Hope had no means of knowing the danger into which she was running, because the light on the Farilhoes Islands was not functioning, is the statement made by a Lisbon newspaper. A recent explosion, it is declared, put the lantern out of action. The paper adds, however, that the fog was so thick that in any case the beams could hardly have pierced it. The fog was so thick, it is declared, that it was impossible to see even a few yards ahead. Speed was reduced and all the usual precautions were taken. The crash came at 4 45 a.m.—Reuter.

London, Nov. 20.—Salvage steamer Restorer has left Falmouth for the motor vessel Highland Hope.

Lisbon, Nov. 20.—The Spaniard, Mancel Lopez, who was injured when the boats were being lowered from the motor vessel Highland Hope has died in hospital.—Reuter.

London, Nov. 20.—The following wireless message has been received from the salvage steamer Max Berendt, timed 4 15 a.m., Nov. 20: Motor vessel Highland Hope: Arrived and awaiting daybreak.

Falmouth, Nov. 20.—Salvage steamer Restorer left Nov. 21 to the assistance of motor vessel Highland Hope.

London, Nov. 20.—The owners of the motor vessel Highland Hope have received the following cable from their agents at Lisbon, dated 7 50 p.m., Nov. 19: Report present position bows stuck on rocks, stern under water, main deck, all holds awash. Vessel must be considered total loss.

London, Nov. 20.—The following wireless message has been received from the salvage steamer Max Berendt via Montsanto Wireless Station, timed 3 1 a.m., Nov. 20: Motor vessel Highland Hope ashore north side north-east Farilhoes. According examination 10 deg. list, whole port bottom open, water rising inside with swell, sounding pipe set up. Portuguese Navy boat reached Highland Hope salvage impossible.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—London, Nov. 21.—The following cable has been received from the master of the salvage steamer Valkyrien, dated Nov. 20: Motor vessel Highland Hope: Portuguese Navy have placed guard on board admitting nobody without due authority. By permission from commander have examined position, found vessel tidal all over with rise and fall with swell in most places, sounding pipes set up all over. Main decks level with sea half tide. Absolutely no prospects of salvage. Returning Lisbon. Luggage, &c., being saved by Government.

London, Nov. 21.—A Post Office official stated to-day that the motor vessel Highland Hope was carrying mail for Brazil, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia, the Argentine and the Canary Islands. It included letters and postcards posted at the G.P.O., London, between 6 p.m. on Nov. 14 and 7 30 p.m. on Nov. 15, and printed papers posted between 6 a.m. on Nov. 14 and 6 a.m. on Nov. 15. Letters and postcards posted at the G.P.O., London, between 7 30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Nov. 15 which were sent overland to connect with the Highland Hope at Lisbon may be delayed a few days. It is believed that there were about 200 bags of mail, and it is not yet known how much, if any, of it has been saved.

Falmouth, Nov. 21.—Salvage steamer Restorer put back to-day for stress of weather and bunkers.

Lisbon, Nov. 21.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Salvage steamer Valkyrien returned Lisbon and reports owing to abandonment of vessel Portuguese naval ratings taken charge and are proceeding with salvage movable gear. Vessel full of water, afterpart submerged, salvage of vessel hopeless.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—Lisbon, Nov. 21.—It is believed that all the mails and the cabin luggage in the motor vessel Highland Hope have been lost; but some of the luggage in the hold is being saved. "The Times" Correspondent.

Lisbon, Nov. 22.—Captain Rowe, who is acting as Lloyd's representative, was unable to get on board the motor vessel Highland Hope to-day owing to the bad weather which threatens to break the vessel.—Reuter.

Lisbon, Nov. 22.—A severe storm is raging off the Farilhoes Islands where the motor vessel Highland Hope struck a reef on Nov. 19. The vessel is being swept by heavy seas. The tug Max Berendt, which has been engaged in salvaging objects from the vessel, has been obliged by the severe weather to make off. It is understood that she has been able to save a certain quantity of the ship's furniture.—Reuter.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—Peniche, Nov. 22.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Weather unfavourable, unable to board to-day. Valkyrien returned to Lisbon yesterday.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.

Lisbon, Nov. 23.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Weather continues bad, unable to board vessel.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.

Lisbon, Nov. 24.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Weather moderating. Returning scene wreck on steamer Valkyrien to-night. Hope board to-morrow.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—Falmouth, Nov. 25.—Steamer Havo reports having picked up lifeboat of motor vessel Highland Hope 25 miles north of Burlings marked L.F.P. Boat will be landed at Birkenhead.

Lisbon, Nov. 25.—Attempts are still being made to save the passengers' baggage from the motor vessel Highland Hope, and to-day a diver is to attempt to save the mails.—Reuter.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—Lisbon, Nov. 24.—Yesterday and to-day the wreck of the motor vessel Highland Hope was unapproachable on account of the high seas. It is confirmed that there has been extensive pillaging of passengers' luggage. The port captain of Peniche has proclaimed that he has a list of persons suspected, and that any not delivering up objects from the ship in their possession will be summarily arrested. Those complying with this order within 48 hours will have the right to a third of the value of what they hand over.—"The Times" Correspondent.

Lisbon, Nov. 25.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Following from your Officer on Valkyrien: Have spent three hours on board. Vessel has settled down bodily since Friday (Nov. 21). Afterdeck entirely submerged at low water. Shell plating fractured port side abeam No. 4 hatch, main deck fractured torn from beams, hatch coamings burst, all compartments full sea level. Water ebbs flows with tide. Deck houses badly buckled, mainmast set up, all accommodation completely gutted. No possibility save ship. Fishermen have been on board looting. Recommend arranging contract with local Salvors for stripping. Fear impracticable save cargo. Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

Lisbon, Nov. 26.—Motor vessel Highland Hope: Lies heading south-west, 11 degrees starboard list. Stem 50 yards from North-East Farilhoes, another small island five yards from port bow, several smaller islets close alongside. Main deck after body submerged from 5 to 8 ft. low water. Whole of deck vicinity No. 4 hatch loose and swinging as seas roll over. Shell plating port side same vicinity fractured buckled. All deck house amidships on saloon deck badly buckled fractured around doors, windows. Every indication that bottom badly torn fore and aft. Movement water engine-room appears less owing thick oil. Apparently all fuel tanks (? pierced) as sea covered with oil for miles. Am satisfied salvage impossible. No cargo manifest here, am informed most cargo perishable nature. Some fittings have been saved by fishermen also small quantity furniture by German tug Max Berendt. Valkyrien salvaged quantity ship's silver which delivered Custom House. Weather now bad.—Salvage Association's Special Officer.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—London, Nov. 30.—As a result of investigations made by the police many fishermen have been arrested, having been found in possession of passenger trunks and apparel as well as furniture and adornments from the wrecked liner Highland Hope. Everything has been handed over to the Lisbon Customs Authorities, who have restored the property to the respective owners.—Reuter.

HIGHLAND HOPE.—London, Dec. 9.—The liner Highland Hope, which was wrecked on the rocks off the Farilhoes Islands on Nov. 19, still remains in the same position, says Reuter's Lisbon correspondent. It has, however, been possible to save a good deal of the cargo and furniture, all of which has been handed to the Customs authorities.