

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Date of writing this report 1st November 1928

Vessel's Name *Steel S.S. "Cairntorr"* of *Newcastle* Tons { Net 3350 Gross 5387

Built at *Sunderland* When *1922* 11 Casualty notice sent to Owner *30. 10. 28* Owner's reply

Owner's Name *Cairn Line of Steamships Co (Cairns, Noble & Co.)*

Address *Akerside House, Side, Newcastle-on-Tyne*

Case previously before { Date { Particulars of Classification.
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Date of Casualty *23rd October 1928*

Précis of particulars of Casualty

This steamer is reported to have gone ashore at Cape Whittle, Labrador, on 23rd October; and subsequently to have broken in two. She is now completely submerged and is stated to be a total loss. The owners concur.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

CAIRNTORR. — North Sydney (C.B.), Wireless Station, Oct. 23.—Two twenty-five p.m. S O S from steamer Cairntorr ashore abeam outer Island Rock Coacocho Bay, lat. 50° 8' N., long. 60° 15' W.; taking to boats. Steamer Aggersund 50 miles distant proceeding assistance.

North Sydney (C.B.), Oct. 23.—British steamer Cairntorr ashore St. Lawrence River. Crew took to the boats.

Quebec, Oct. 23.—British steamer Cairntorr ashore Cape Whittle, Labrador.

Montreal, Oct. 24.—The Cairn Line freighter Cairntorr, which was proceeding to Newcastle, has run ashore in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, near Cape Whittle. A wireless message says there is a good chance of refloating the vessel. Assistance has been sent. — Reuter.

Quebec, Oct. 23.—British steamer Cairntorr: Position abeam outer Island Rock two miles inside steamer QUERNS COUNTY. Reported engine-room full; vessel abandoned by crew. Quebec salvage proceeding with equipment and surveyors.

Montreal, Oct. 23.—Steamer Cairntorr: Master reports vessel engine-room flooded sea level. After conferring ship's agents Lloyd's Agent instructed salvage tug Strathcona proceed daylight Wednesday (Oct. 24), surveyor joining latter Rimouski. Wiring Lloyd's Agents St. John's (N.F.) and Lloyd's Agents, Halifax (N.S.) to ascertain if any suitable craft prepared proceed salvage cargo "no cure no pay," reasonable percentage salvaged value basis.—Salvage Association's Surveyors.

Montreal, Oct. 24.—Cargo surveyor and self boarding steamer Strathcona at Rimouski to-night, expect to arrive Oct. 27. Last report states crew left ship and twenty-four men in lifeboat picked up by steamer Salacia; other boat still adrift.—Salvage Association's Surveyor.

London, Oct. 24.—A message received to-day by the owners of the steamer Cairntorr stated that a boat containing 24 of the crew had been picked up by the steamer Salacia, which was standing by expecting to pick up the other boat containing 22 men.

CAIRNTORR.—Quebec, Oct. 25.—Steamer Cairntorr: Owners' agents report Cairntorr broken in two; all crew accounted for. Your surveyor due Cairntorr Friday afternoon (Oct. 26), when will report fully.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

London, Oct. 25.—Messrs. Cairns, Noble & Co., Newcastle, received to-day a further message regarding the Cairntorr which, it states, is ashore in Wolfe Bay, and is broken in two. The master had returned to the vessel on Wednesday (Oct. 24) and had found the engine-room flooded to sea level. He thought it might be possible to salvage the cargo in the shelter and 'tween decks. Both boats had been picked up by the Salacia, and all the crew are now accounted for.

CAIRNTORR.—Montreal, Oct. 26.—According to a statement made by the agents here to-day, the steamer Cairntorr has been abandoned as a total loss. Salvage vessels are now on the scene of the wreck, but little hope is entertained of any extensive salvage.—Reuter.

CAIRNTORR.—Quebec, Oct. 27.—Steamer Cairntorr: Your Surveyor wires broken in two way engine-room, engines pushed up four feet. Superstructure smashed by seas, hatches hatch covers intact. Cargo fore aft shelter and 'tween decks still dry. Considers vessel total loss and cannot last long owing exposed position. Due nature and quantity cargo undamaged only advisable basis salvage "no cure no pay." Salvage tug returning Sunday (Oct. 28) cargo surveyor remaining for instructions disposal cargo.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

CAIRNTORR.—Montreal, Oct. 30.—A telegram received from Cape Whittle, on the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, where the steamer Cairntorr went aground last week, says that the freighter with a cargo valued at 750,000 dol. is completely submerged and a total wreck.—Reuter.

Quebec, Oct. 29.—Steamer Cairntorr: Cargo Underwriters' Surveyor wires wreck has disappeared last night. Salvage Association.

Suggested Record *Wrecked 10 28*

Date of Committee *FRI. 2 NOV 1928*

Committee's Minute *Wrecked 10.28*



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