

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 35292 in R. B.

Wreck Book, p. 24/38

Date of writing this report

9th May

1938

Vessel's Name

Steel Tug "Tongking"

of Copenhagen

Tons

Net 4244

Gross 6645

Copenhagen

When 19/4

YEAR. MONTH.

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Casualty notice sent to Owner 11/4/38

Owner's reply

Name

A/S Det Østasiatiske Kompagni,

Address

Holbergsgade 2, Copenhagen.

Previously before

Date

g Committee.

Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

+10091 TLMC CS1134
 Shelter dk 7.36
 with fbd 11.37 DBS 11.37
 ss. No 3-228 TS1235CL
 ss. No 2-36 Oil Engines

Casualty

3rd April, 1938.

Particulars of Casualty

This vessel is reported to have

been on fire, with a cargo of rice and copra, on the 3rd April, when 7 miles north of Penang. The grounded at low water and continued to burn fiercely for three days, after which it was reported the deck plates were buckled, superstructures burned out, shell plating buckled, etc., and that water was washing over the decks aft.

The Society's Acting Surveyor at Penang reports that in his opinion repairs cannot be economically carried out, and he recommends that the vessel and cargo be sold as they lie.

In reply to inquiry, Lloyd's state that the Underwriters have accepted this case as a Constructive Total Loss.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

TONGKING. Penang, Apr. 3.—Danish motor vessel Tongking is on fire seven miles north of Penang and is likely to be a total loss. Vessel grounded at low water. Crew and passengers taken off and landed here.

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Penang, Apr. 3.—Danish motor vessel Tongking: Cargo consists of rice and copra. Fire continues to burn, every means being taken to extinguish. Cannot get on board.—Lloyd's Agent.

Penang, Apr. 3.—Danish motor vessel Tongking, blazing fiercely, was drifting at a remarkable speed towards Penang Harbour early this morning. Billowing smoke rose and the vessel was seen to settle deeper in the water. Thirty of the crew were taken on board a tug and brought ashore, as were many packages and bedding. Many of the men were in an exhausted condition. The master and his wife are believed to have taken to a Government launch and the Tongking is presumed have been abandoned.—Exchange Telegraph Company.

TONGKING. Penang, Apr. 4.—Danish motor vessel Tongking: Fire not yet extinguished, cannot get on board.

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TONGKING. Penang, Apr. 5.—Danish motor vessel Tongking down by the stern, fire not yet extinguished forward.

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TONGKING. Penang, Apr. 6.—Danish motor vessel Tongking is still burning in all holds, can only board abaft after hold. Deck plates buckled, deck seams opened, superstructures burned out, buckled and twisted, vessel listed slightly, leaks slightly, settling down. Starboard shell plating red hot, buckled, copra no probability of saving, cargo rice uncertain.

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Penang, Apr. 6.—Danish motor vessel Tongking ashore fore and aft, water washing over decks aft, fire smouldering forward. Surveyor's opinion it is feared she will be a total loss.

TONGKING. Penang, Apr. 10.—Danish motor vessel Tongking: Surveyor to Lloyd's Register in consultation with Captain Gabe, representative of underwriters on ship and cargo, Copenhagen, recommends advertise for sale by tender hull and cargo as they stand.

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of Committee

TUE. 10 MAY 1938

Committee's Minute

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One vessel report



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