

WRECK SECTION
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REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 83651 in R.B.

Wreck Book, p. 26/47

Date of writing this report 5th June, 1947

Vessel's Name *S.S. "The Viceroy"* of *Glasgow*

Tons { Gross 824
Net 405

Built at *Troon* When *1929* 4 Casualty notice sent to Owner *28.5.47* Owner's reply *28.5.47*

Owner's Name *J. Gray & Sons, Ltd.*

Address *45, Renfield Street, Glasgow, C. 2.*

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

THE VICEROY.—Flushing, Apr. 12.—British steamer The Viceroy, from Antwerp, has been sunk by explosion off Borsele. First reports indicate that eight of the crew are missing. Some of the remaining crew, wounded, will be landed at Flushing.

Flushing, Apr. 12.—British steamer The Viceroy was reported to-day to have struck a mine and sunk.—Reuter.

Flushing, Apr. 12.—Four survivors of the British steamer The Viceroy have been rescued by two inhabitants of Borsele, who picked them up in their boat. The survivors were handed over by the two Dutchmen to the Swedish steamer Lungo, which was in the vicinity, and taken to Flushing.—British United Press.

Flushing, Apr. 12.—It was later reported that four of the crew of the steamer The Viceroy were missing after the explosion. Four were taken to hospital in Flushing, and another four to Borsele, on the island of Beveland. The Viceroy was on her way to Aberdeen from Antwerp with a cargo of artificial manure. The accident is reported to have taken place between 6.15 and 6.30 a.m. to-day. According to one report here she sank within a few seconds of hitting a mine, but the ship's bridge remained above water long enough to enable some of the crew to jump overboard and clutch driftwood. Of the four men in Flushing hospital, one is reported in a serious condition and the other three slightly injured. (Later.) Four bodies were found by the Breskens lifeboat at low tide to-day.—Reuter.

Flushing, Apr. 12.—One of the four bodies picked up after the sinking of the steamer The Viceroy was to-night identified as that of the master, Captain John Johnson. The other three were identified as William Swan, first engineer, Patrick McBride, stoker, and the Belgian pilot Danlieux.—Reuter.

Flushing, Apr. 12.—Information received from Pilot Office states: Steamer The Viceroy not completely sunk. At low tide fore and aft deck above sea level. Position off Borsele, near buoy No. 5.

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Particulars of Classification.

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of Casualty

12th April, 1947

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Sunk by striking a mine on the 12th April, 1947, off Bornals, near Flushing. At low water the fore and after decks are above water.

In reply to the special casualty notice the Owners state they are advised that this steamer is a total loss.

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Suggested Record

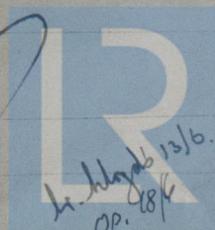
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