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Wreck Report No. 14203

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Date of writing this report 27th January, 1955

Ship's Name s.s. "LANARKBROOK" of London

Tons { Gross 972 Net 438

Wrecked at Aberdeen When 1950 4 Casualty notice sent to Owner 24.1.55. Owner's reply 25.1.55.

Owners Williamstown Shipping Co., Ltd.

Managers Comben Longstaff & Co., Ltd.

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Classification details

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Fitted for oil fuel 4,50 F.P. above 150°F.	

Date of Casualty 6th January, 1955.

Details of Casualty

This ship was sunk by collision in the Seine estuary. She is broken in two, and salvage is not considered practicable.

The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

LANARKBROOK. — Havre, Jan. 7. — Steamer Lanarkbrook Rouen for Poole with coal, collided last night with motor vessel ARTESIEN (Casablanca for Rouen) near Berville in the River Seine. Lanarkbrook is now aground with No. 1 hold flooded.

— Havre, Jan. 7. — The British steamer Lanarkbrook lay half-submerged, with a large crack in her hull, in the estuary of the River Seine to-day. Watchers feared she was breaking in two and that the incoming tide would cover her completely. The French tug Abeille No. 15 took off 15 of the crew of the Lanarkbrook, the master remaining on board. The Lanarkbrook settled on a mudbank early this morning after being in collision in thick fog with the French motor vessel ARTESIEN. She was reported to have a large hole in her port bow. This morning she had a 22-deg. list. Havre authorities said that the ARTESIEN was apparently not seriously damaged. She proceeded on her way to Rouen after standing by the Lanarkbrook for some time. — Reuter.

— Havre, Jan. 7. — Steamer Lanarkbrook now broken in two forward of bridge and abandoned by crew, who were rescued by tug Abeille No. 15. Deck flooded over at high tide.

— Havre, Jan. 7. — Steamer Lanarkbrook: Crew have returned on board. Tug Abeille No. 1 and salvage craft proceeding to Berville, where should arrive to-night. No fresh information regarding situation of vessel. — Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association. (Note.—The Salvage Association have sent a special officer to the vessel.)

LANARKBROOK. — Havre, Jan. 8. — British steamer Lanarkbrook, aground on a mudbank in the Seine estuary since Thursday night (Jan. 6), capsized at high tide to-day and was completely submerged. The master and crew of 20 were taken on board the French tug Abeille No. 15 last night. Salvage tugs which had been standing by to attempt to refloat the steamer left for Havre after she capsized. An official of the French salvage company whose tug rescued the master and crew of the Lanarkbrook said to-day that an attempt would be made to refloat the capsized vessel on Jan. 17. Tides would not permit efficient salvage operations before then, he said. — Reuter. (See issue of Jan. 8.)

LANARKBROOK. — Havre, Jan. 8. — Steamer Lanarkbrook, Rouen for Poole, loaded with 1040 tons of coal for Hamworthy Coal Company, collision in River Seine with motor vessel ARTESIEN: Lanarkbrook, holed on port side abaft forepeak bulkhead, commenced to sink as it was beached on Jan. 6. To-day vessel split, heeled over and sank; nothing visible at low water. Tug Abeille No. 1 attended to attempt refloating but efforts now abandoned. Consider refloating and repairs exceed insured value. — Salvage Association's Surveyor and Lloyd's Agent. (See issue of Jan. 10.)

— Rouen, Jan. 8. — Motor vessel ARTESIEN: Damage reported slight; temporary repairs effected to-day. After survey, certificate of seaworthiness will be delivered to ARTESIEN. Good chance she will sail to-night for Dunkirk. — Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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