

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 8660

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Date of writing this report 8th January 1934

Vessel's Name *Steel S.S. "Broomfleet"* of *Goole* Tons {Net 408
Gross 854

Built at *Middlesbro'* When 1915 - 11 Casualty notice sent to Owner 4/1/34 Owner's reply 5/1/34

Owner's Name *Ebor S.S. Co. Ltd. (A.W. Atkinson, Mgr.)*

Address *Midland Bank Chambers, St. John's Street, Goole, Yorks*

Case previously before { Date
Classing Committee. { Last Minute

Date of Casualty

Précis of particulars of Casualty

Particulars of Classification.

+100A1 53 20 NR3-Y.24
12.33 55.400 NR1-32
+LMC MS 4.32
BS 5.33

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

OVERDUE VESSEL

BROOMFLEET—Lowestoft, Dec. 13.—
Leasguard, Mundesley, report two mal-
bodies washed ashore there this morning
wearing life jackets marked "Fosco"
and dated 17.7.31.—Lloyd's Agent.

Lowestoft, Dec. 16.
—No identification papers on the two
bodies washed ashore at Mundesley,
which cannot have been in water any
length of time.—Lloyd's Agent.

London, Dec. 16.—
A third body was discovered on Cromer
beach later in the day. It was that of
a seafaring man of about 55, with white
hair and grey moustache. A gold watch
on the body had stopped at two minutes
to one. The bodies of the two men
washed ashore at Mundesley are believed
to be those of seamen, aged about 26
and 43. There were no tattoo marks
on the bodies, and no letters in the
pockets of the clothing.

Cromer, Dec. 17.—
Lifejacket washed ashore at Bacton con-
taining wallet, in which was found the
following name and address: Cyril P.
Doubtfire, 112, Weatherill Street, Goole.
Also a body dressed in blue uniform with
two gold braid rings and diamond on
sleeve.

Yarmouth, Nor., Dec. 17.—
Cromer reports body of man washed
ashore at Bacton dressed in blue uniform
with two gold braid rings and diamond
on sleeve bearing identification of
Cyril Doubtfire, 112, Weatherill Street,
Goole. Believed to be member of crew
of steamer Broomfleet, which left Goole
on Tuesday night (Dec. 12) for Ipswich
with a cargo of coal, and has not yet
arrived.—Lloyd's Agent.

London, Dec. 17.—After
leaving Goole for the comparatively short
voyage for Ipswich, the steamer Broom-
fleet is missing and is believed to have
been lost in the gale off the East Coast
last week. With a crew of 13, and carry-
ing a cargo of coal, the Broomfleet left
Goole on Dec. 13 and was due at Ipswich
the following day. Since then nothing
has been heard of her, but the finding
of four bodies on the Norfolk coast indi-
cates that she foundered in the storm.
A wallet found in the pocket of a jacket
on one of the bodies contained letters
addressed to Goole. Three of the bodies
were washed ashore at Mundesley
yesterday, and at the inquest later in the
day it was stated that the men had prob-
ably been lost in the storm. An open
verdict was returned. The other body
was washed up at Bacton, 10 miles from
Cromer, to-day.

It was later learned that the Broomfleet
was carrying a crew of 13 as follows:
J. W. Hutchinson, of Clifton Gardens,
Goole, master; Edgar Gunnill, of Cecil
Street, Goole, chief officer; W. Hilay, of
Second Avenue, Goole, second mate; D.
Upcroft, believed to be of Hull, steward;
R. Dade, of St. Andrews Terrace, Goole;
A. McKay, of Boothferry Road, Goole; D.
Greenwood, of Fountaine Street, Goole;
W. Barragh, of Coomer Street, Goole; J.
Harlington, of Jackson Street, Goole,
chief engineer; C. Doubtfire, of Weatherill
Street, Goole, second engineer; J. P.
Green, of Goole, donkeyman; A. A. Conn,
of Goole, fireman; and H. Smart, of
Pasture Road, Goole, fireman.

(P.T.O.)

Suggested Record *Missing since 12.33*

Date of Committee *TUE 9 JAN 1934*

Committee's Minute

Missing since 12.33



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REPORT of SURVEY for BROOMFLEET &c.

BROOMFLEET.—Mundesley, Dec. 17.—The two bodies which washed ashore at Mundesley yesterday have now been identified as firemen of the steamer Broomfleet, of Goole.

London, Dec. 17.—Two of the four bodies washed up on the north Norfolk coast were identified to-night as those of two firemen belonging to the Broomfleet, the Goole steamer. They were H. Smart, of Pasture Road, Goole, and A. A. Conn, of Spencer Street, Goole. The identification was made by Mr. Eric Needham, of Goole, who was sent by the owners of the vessel. No fears had been entertained for the Broomfleet until Saturday (Dec. 16), when three bodies were washed ashore at Mundesley, one at Overstrand and 11 hatchways at Runton. There was an easterly gale on Wednesday (Dec. 13), which blew with hurricane force until Thursday morning. Mr. Arthur Atkinson, the managing director of the company, said that during the week previous to her sailing the Broomfleet had been in dry dock at Goole undergoing repairs and overhaul, and had been certified by a Lloyd's surveyor just prior to her leaving Goole. He had made inquiries but so far he had not learned that the vessel had been seen since she passed Spurn Head at the mouth of the Humber late on Wednesday afternoon.

Cromer, Dec. 18.—The body which was washed ashore at Bacton has been identified as the mate of the steamer Broomfleet, of Goole.

Cromer, Dec. 18.—The body washed ashore at Cromer on Saturday, Dec. 16, has been identified as that of the master of the steamer Broomfleet, of Goole.

London, Dec. 18.—The body washed up at Bacton, near Cromer, yesterday, has been identified as that of Edgar Gunnill, chief officer of the steamer Broomfleet, which apparently sank with all hands during the great gale off the East Coast last week. The body at Overstrand was identified as that of the master of the vessel, John William Hutchinson. Both men belonged to Goole.

Goole, Dec. 18.—Are informed that the four bodies washed ashore on the Norfolk coast have been identified as those of master, chief officer and two firemen belonging to crew of steamer Broomfleet, reported missing.—Lloyd's Agents.

BROOMFLEET.—London, Jan. 3.—Steamer Broomfleet, of Goole, 854 tons gross, official number 136080, master Hutchinson, which left Goole on Dec. 13, for Ipswich, with a cargo of coal, and passed Spurn Head the same day, was to-day posted at Lloyd's as a missing vessel.

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