

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c. 8660

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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

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

OVERDUE VESSEL

BROOMFLEET—Lowestoft, Dec. 13.— Coastguard, Mundesley, report two male 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 containing 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 Broomfleet is missing and is believed to have been lost in the gale off the East Coast last week. With a crew of 13, and carrying 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 indicates 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 probably 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. Hilcy, 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. F. Green, of Goole, donkeyman; A. A. Conn, of Goole, fireman; and H. Smart, of Pasture Road, Goole, fireman.

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Particulars of Classification.

+100A1	SS 20 NR3-4.24
4.32	SS 200 NR 1-32
12.33	+LMC
	MS 4.32
	BS 4.32
	5.33

Case previously before
Classing Committee.

Date
Last Minute

Date of Casualty

Précis of particulars of Casualty

This vessel left Goole on the 13th December bound for Ipswich, passed Spurn Head the same day + nothing further has been heard of her.

Several bodies have been washed ashore on the Norfolk coast + these have been identified as members of the crew.

The vessel was posted at Lloyd's as missing on the 3rd January, 1934

In reply to a casualty notice the Owners state they have no further information regarding the vessel.

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Date of Committee TUE 9 JAN 1934

Committee's Minute Missing since 12.33
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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, 554 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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