

WRECK DAY

No. 154-Section 3

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REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

No. 21189 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 65/39

Date of writing this report 30th October, 1939

Vessel's Name Steel S.S. "Bramden" of Liverpool

Tons { Gross 1594
Net 943

Built at Paisley When 1925 4 Casualty notice sent to Owner 6/10/39 Owner's reply 26/10/39

Owner's Name Anglo-Son & Co. Ltd.

Address Boston Buildings James Street, Cardiff

Case previously before Date
Classing Committee Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.

100A1 LMC 1236
6,39 BS 1,38
SS No 3-1236 TS 11,38CL

Casualty 16th September, 1939.

Particulars of Casualty This vessel is reported to have been sunk by a mine off the Dyck Bank, off the coast of France, on the 16th September, 1939.

The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

CARDIFF STEAMER SUNK

13 SURVIVORS LANDED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

FOLKESTONE, SEPT. 18

The Cardiff steamer Bramden, of 1,500 tons, foundered at about 7 o'clock on Saturday evening.

The 13 surviving officers and crew were landed in England to-day. The Bramden was returning without cargo. One of the ship's officers said:—

We cannot say what sunk us, although it was daylight at the time. There was a terrific explosion, followed by a second, but less violent, one as the boilers blew up. The aft part of the Bramden was blown away, and I never expected to see anyone come up from below alive. The crew were sleeping in their bunks, and came up on deck wearing singlets and shorts. The funnel and one mast went overboard. Two of the three lifeboats were smashed, but fortunately the third was undamaged, for one or two of our men could not swim and we had not even time to get our lifebelts, so quickly was the Bramden settling down. The decks of the steamer were level with the sea and we got into the boat and started to row clear.

We were less than a mile from a lightship, to which we rowed, and we had to stay there all night. On Sunday we were taken to a French port.

Thirteen survivors of the British steamer Bramden (1,594 tons), of Cardiff, which was sunk on Saturday, reached England on Monday night. Captain Milne, of Barry, the master, Second Engineer Davis, of Cardiff, and an Arab fireman were killed instantly by an explosion. One of the crew said:—"We had no warning, and we saw nothing. The boilers blew up."

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Suggested Record

Date of Committee

Committee's Minute

TUE 31 OCT 1939

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