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THAMES      COLLISION

STEAMER WRECKED.

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Another record broken, and some underwriters' hearts. The 'Cragside' received the bows of a nine-thousand ton liner amidships, took the count in forty seconds, and sunk. The Captain, his wife, and crew were all saved by a providential tug which happened to be passing.

A diver is going to investigate the extent of the damage, and see if a change of clothes for the rescued can be fished up. It's most awkward to be left on the Thames side, possessing only wet clothes and a feeble hope. Still they are thankful to escape with their lives, just before the hold exploded and blew the hatches sky high. It might have been worse - - but not much !