

Q. I went to ship this

morning, I was on watch, the
old ship ~~look~~ like hell, we followed
by two explosions, we were damaged

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NOVEMBER 15

Fun

The set went dead & the lights went out, ladders were rigged to abandon ship stations, a lot of the new chaps didn't know theirs. Saguenay is down by the stern but still floating. We can hear the chaps from the merchant ship in the water, but no one does anything about it. Got four in our whaler. One officer was killed here. It cut the quarter deck right off. Launched early floats. 9 boats took off half an hour. Merchant ship went down about eleven. Shoveled up our bullocks & prayed

Dull.

NOVEMBER 16

Mon

Thank God it was fair yesterday. The engineers tried to tow us but lines kept parting. Have had tons of planes around all the time. Tugs came yesterday at about four o'clock.

Here outside the gates at about ten this morning. When they try to tow us we swing to port as the wheel was hard over that way when we stuck. I volunteered to stay aboard and stand my wicket on deck.

It was a lovely moonlight night but I was so tired two on & two off, and all the while expecting a torpedo

NOVEMBER 17

Cold.

Tues

It gets colder as we
near Newfoundland. We
have tug destroyers corvettes
& sweepers as well as airplanes
swarming around us. Never
dreamed we were so
important. Tied up
near the dry dock. The
skipper spliced the main
brace. Had beer tots
Bought a bottle of Rum
Went ashore and met
Smithy's party. She's
nice. Hope to take over.
Dip on the lockers & down
near frige.

NOVEMBER 18

Wed

Fair

Tried to get the ship straightened out. Took some pictures yesterday. The old Saguenay is a sorry looking mess. The quarterdeck is cut right off.

The merchant ships crew were nearly all picked up. She was the Alvey. The passengers on the Lady Rodney thought we were torpedoed.

Went ashore with Crabb Smith. Met Brew. Brew got ugly and got filled in properly by MacLaughlin.

NOVEMBER 19

Thurs

Fair

Part of the crew that were taken off came back this morning. The rest were taken ashore at Sydney.

They were a crumby looking lot let me tell you, but apparently were treated like heroes ashore. Went to bed early, as I'm not in too good shape after mourning Lt Ross' death.

The ship's company are really getting into the swing of things. What do you think about it? I'll go out