

8,600-TON STEAMER IS SUNK.

The British Sun Was Owned in Philadelphia, but Leased by Britain.

PHILADELPHIA, May 3.—The British tank steamship British Sun, owned by the Sun Oil Company of this city and leased to Great Britain, has been sunk, probably in the Mediterranean, according to a cablegram received here today by Howard M. Pew, President of the company. The crew was saved.

The British Sun was built in 1909 and was a vessel of 8,600 tons. She is said to have been one of the finest of her class, and was valued at \$2,500,000. Last Summer Great Britain took her over for war purposes.

Captain Carey, who commanded the ship when it was in the commercial service, is believed by Mr. Pew to have been in command when she was sunk. Many of the crew also remained with the ship.

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