

CROMER SEA-BATTLE

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The crew of the Spanish Government Merchant ship Cantabria came ashore at Cromer after facing death at the hands of an insurgent warship. They were rescued from their sinking vessel by the Cromer lifeboat which rode the seas to help them --- braving appalling danger in the humane tradition of the service. Their leader was the famous Coxswain Bloggs --- the double V.C. --- *was afterwards interviewed by* who ~~told the story~~ *told* the story to Gaumont British News.

The rescued crew, with the captain's wife and children, lost all their belongings when their ship sank but after being fitted out at Cromer they left for Yarmouth hiding their faces, for fear-- they said --of victimization of their relatives in war-divided Spain.