

the entry relating to the unknown sailors. It was in search of their grave that the Norwegian couple visited Snettisham. (DC 2818).

NORWEGIAN AT GRAVE 47 YEARS AFTER TRAGEDY

FORTY-SEVEN years ago the captain-owner of the Norwegian brigantine Caprice died with members of his crew when the ship foundered in an almost hurricane-force gale in the Wash. Now his daughter, only two years old at the time of his death, has found what is perhaps his grave in the grounds of Snettisham church where three "unknown sailors" were buried.

With her husband, Mrs. Rebekka Kummervold traveled from her home in Oslo, Norway, to visit this grave and on Friday they laid heather on a spot, cleaned ready for their arrival.

The captain, Hans Fredrick Andersen, is buried at this spot lies with three other men from his crew—only one of whom, an 18-year-old seaman, is named. Their grave stands in a lonely spot in the centre of the graveyard under the shade of a tall fir tree.

HER FATHER

Mrs. Kummervold speaks no English, but her husband, who spent some time in England when in his twenties, told the "Lynn News and Advertiser" that he and his wife visited England two years ago, and it was some months after that Mrs. Kummervold, inspired by her visit here, felt she would like to see the grave of her father.

Through their Foreign Office they made inquiries which reached the Norwegian Vice-consulate in Lynn, Mr. A. Palmer, of Messrs. Garland and Flexman, ship-

brokers.

Said Mr. Palmer: "This wreck happened in my time and I remember it very well, particularly as we were agents for the ship at the time. It came to Lynn loaded with ice, discharged in the Alexandra Dock and then sailed again for Norway with coal."

HIS FAMILY

Capt. Andersen died at the age of 42, and left eight children and a widow. Mrs. Andersen died ten years ago at the age of 82.

Mr. and Mrs. Kummervold, with their friend, Miss Randi Karlsen, also from Oslo, are at present staying at the Duchy Hotel, London, where they arrived on Wednesday. They return on Saturday and Mrs. Kummervold hopes that before she leaves she will have made arrangements for a stone to be laid.

The Vicar of Snettisham, the Rev. W. M. Abernethy, showed the visitors the grave. He said he had managed to locate the exact site under the tree only through an old plan belonging to a former church warden. Mr. C. Hillvers, a Snettisham harness maker. Nothing more had been visible than level grass covered ground, and Mr. C. Bulman and Mr. S. Braybrooke had cleared the grave.

RECORDED

Mr. and Mrs. Kummervold saw the church burial register in which the interment of the four sailors was recorded in October, 1911.

The Caprice was wrecked in the Wash on Saturday September 30, 1911. Six bodies of seamen were washed ashore at various places between Lynn and Hunstanton. On October 6 fishermen cockling at Snettisham found three bodies which were moved to the Royal Hotel in the village.

The funeral of the three men found at Snettisham took place at the churchyard, and practically the whole village turned out to watch the ceremony.

Mr. Palmer commented that although it was possible that Capt. Andersen was buried at Snettisham it was not a certainty. His body may have been washed out to sea. Arrangements for the visit were made by Mr. Palmer, and Mrs. Kummervold will take home with her a photographic copy of the story published in the "Lynn Advertiser" at the time of the captain's death.