

S.S. "Mineral"

It is submitted that the Surveyors be requested to state clearly whether the furnace arrangements of this vessel have been again altered so as to permit the use of coal fuel, & whether the ordinary water ballast pumping arrangements of the double bottom have been left intact. If so what means are proposed to disconnect these from the tanks in the event of the latter being used to carry oil fuel.

They should also be requested to state whether the double bottoms forward & aft the engine rooms each forms one compartment or whether these lengths are subdivided, and further to state the length of each compartment and the estimated capacity of each in tons.

They should also state whether the vessel is still in their port, and whether any arrangements have been made for information to be given to the Committee before the oil fuel apparatus is to be again installed.

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