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Ship's Name *"MORETON BAY"*Official No. *130169*

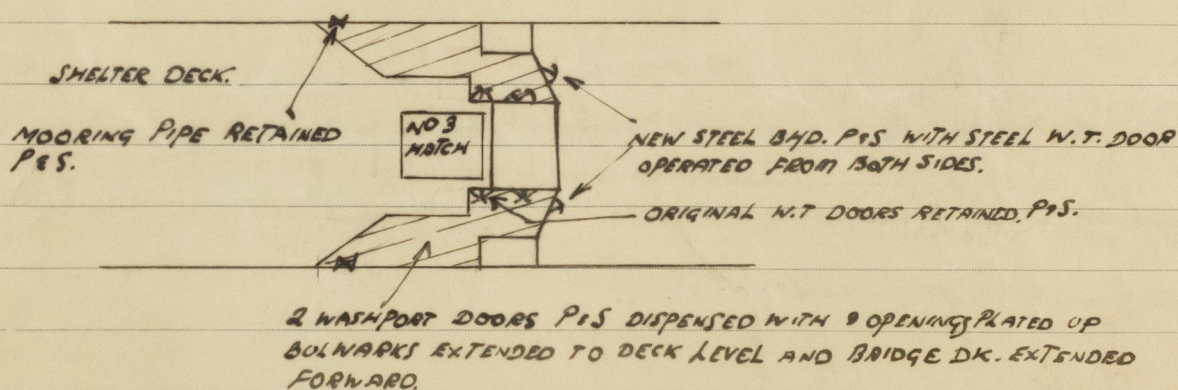
Memorandum of alterations reported since ship was surveyed for assignment of Load Lines in *MAY 1932.*

THE FOLLOWING ALTERATIONS TO HATCH BEAMS HAVE BEEN EFFECTED, IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3" WOOD COVERS.

SHELTER DECK.	NO 2 HATCH	NO 5 HATCH.
NUMBER	5	4
SPACING	5' 9"	4' 9"
SCANTLINGS.	$7\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 3 \times 42$ $22\frac{1}{2} \times 38$	$3\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 42$ $22\frac{1}{2} \times 38$
BEARING SURFACE	3"	3"

A NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL PORTLIGHTS FITTED IN TROOP DECKS, BELOW FREEBOARD DECK OF STRONG CONSTRUCTION, WITH HINGED DEADLIGHTS AND KEY OPERATED (SEE ATTACHED LETTER)

THE ALTERATIONS BELOW HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT PREVIOUSLY.



Noted *15/1/42* *S.B. Lumsden*

All main cargo hatches where previously plated over now refitted with new beams and beam shoes as follows:-

	No. 1 Hatch	No. 2 Hatch	No. 3 Hatch	No. 4 Hatch	No. 5 Hatch
Shelter Deck	-	5	-	-	4
"B" Deck.	3	4	2	2	1
"C" Deck.	3	3	2	2	2

All new beams are to Rule requirements and scantlings. All wood hatch covers throughout the vessel renewed. A number of tarpaulins renewed. All 'tween deck spaces fitted up as troop decks complete with all necessary fittings. All portlights previously blanked now refitted as formerly. In addition twelve port lights have been fitted in Nos. 1 and 6 lower 'tween decks. These portlights are of strong construction fitted with deadlights and are key operated. All stormvalves throughout the vessel (except four in way of brine room) non-return valves and screwdow non-return valves opened up, examined and all pins and leathers renewed as required. On instructions of the Ministry of War Transport six sidescuttles, three port and three starboard, have been fitted in No. 1 lower 'tween decks, also 6 in No. 6

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lower 'tween decks (three port and three starboard).

As the vessel's draught has been reduced to 27'6" on account of above side-scuttles, a letter has been addressed to the Owners and a copy attached to freeboard certificate and certified copy. A copy of this letter has been attached to copy of Report C11 (Contd), which is forwarded herewith.

Tween deck hatch covers.

The new wood covers now fitted are in sections and the wood cross pieces fitted on under side of sections were found to be bearing on the insulated plug hatches, before the hatches were bearing on the rest bars. As time did not permit of the hatch covers being refitted it is submitted that this be done at the first available opportunity.

(See completion of annual survey at B.A.S. 9/12/42) *SwB* 9/2/43

A Freeboard Renewal Survey has been held at this time and new certificate issued.

Noted. SwB

The above is an extract from Log. Rpt 8. No 117191 dated the 3.1.42.

