

s.s. "BENCKALIS"

In the attached letter Messrs. Keller, Bryant & Co. state that the Owners are now considering the transfer of this vessel from B.V. to L.R. class. To this end they have received a cablegram from the Owners in the Dutch East Indies, pointing out that a considerable part of the B.V. Survey has already been carried out and that they trust it will be unnecessary to renew these repairs on transfer to L.R. class.

IT IS SUBMITTED Messrs. Keller, Bryant & Co. be informed that as pointed out in the Secretary's letter of the 1st instant addressed to them regarding a similar transfer of the steamers "SEMBILAN" and "SIMALOER", the procedure in such cases would be for the vessel to be submitted for general examination in lieu of Special Survey and the assignment of the special notation of 'LOCAL, Class contemplated', with an 'Examined' date renewable every twelve months. This general examination would naturally be required to be held by the Society's Surveyors quite irrespective of any survey previously held by Surveyors to other Institution but as any repairs then recommended should be limited to those required for twelve months' efficiency this should present no difficulty or duplication of work.

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