

Rpt. 8

Date of writing Report 29.7.60 When handed in at Local Office 2.8.60 Port Glasgow Received London
Survey held at Glasgow No. of Visits 1 First Date and 19 Last Date 20.7.60

WRECK SECTION No. 773 REPORT OF SHIP SURVEYS AND REPAIRS SECTION No. 773

No. in R.B. 71759 S.S. "MERCHANT" Tons gross 7045
on the Iron or Steel M.S. Built at Port Glasgow By Whom Lithgows Ltd.,
Owners Charente S.S. Co. Ltd., Owners' address (If not already in R.B.)
Managers T & J. Harrison Ltd., Port of Registry Liverpool
Surveyed Afloat or in Drydock Afloat Name of Dock PLANTATION QUAY Date of last examn. in Drydock -

N.B.—Any alterations in existing particulars in the Register Book should be reported and underlined.
Last Report: No. 154762 Port Lw
To be filled in at Head Office. Particulars of Classification (which must be inserted precisely as in Register Book and Supplement)

SHIP'S CLASS	Machinery
Date of Special and of Drydocking Surveys, etc.	
+100A1 DS 3,60	+LMC ES 3,56
with freeboard	MBS 7,59
SS 7,56	TSCL 1,58
	SPS 6,56
butts of side shell & Dk plating EW	
LF at Btm. & Dk.	OF 1,48

Give dates and references to any letters relating to this Report.
In damage cases where the Surveyor has not made a special damage report he should state whether he offered his services for this purpose and to whom and why they were declined. Yes in Reg. Book 10 ft 9 1/2 ins
Not Required. Was a damage report made by anyone else? If so, by whom?

EXAMINATION AND REPAIRS AS PER RULE FOR TEMPORARY REPAIRS

Damage stated to have been sustained through cargo falling from slings whilst loading at Plantation Quay Glasgow on 26th July, 1960.

Tank top plating in No.4 Hold (s) seventh space from forward, plate adjacent to tunnel was holed. A doubling 18" x 12" had been fitted and welded over the affected area and double bottom tank was pressure tested and found satisfactory. It is submitted that permanent repairs could be deferred until the special survey.

SUMMARY OF DAMAGE REPAIRS CONTINUATION OVER/OR SHEET 2

	Shell Plates	Frames	R. Frames	Floors and Bracket Floors	Inner Bottom Plates	Deck Plates	Beams	Other Items
Renewed								
Removed and Faird or Repaired								
Faird or Repaired in place								

Has a Survey also been held on machinery of the Ship? No Is Classification Certificate required? If so, to be sent to
If so, is the Report sent now, or when will it be sent? Has Interim Certificate been issued? Yes

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS, OPINION AND RECOMMENDATION AS TO CLASS
State clearly what alteration, if any, is suggested to be made in the existing Classification or Survey or other records of the Ship in the Register Book consequent upon this survey; for example:—"to remain as Classed in the Register Book without fresh record of Docking"; "to remain as Classed and to have record of drydocking 1,55"; or "to remain as Classed and to have record of drydocking 1,55, and the notation of S.S. . . . 1,55".
This ship so far as now surveyed is eligible in my opinion to remain as classed without fresh record of docking subject to tank top plating in No.4 Hold (s) being permanently repaired at the next special survey, and to any conditions at present attached to the ship's class being dealt with as previously recommended.

Signature of Surveyor: James F. Edgar
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping
(JAMES F. EDGAR).

TABLE 1

PARTS OF THE SHIP AS INDICATED BELOW HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR		SURVEY	
Items	Now Examined YES NO or NONE	Tanks	Now Examined Internally
Shell plating, sternframe and rudder cleaned, examined and recoated in drydock		F.P. Tank	
Rudder lifted		A.P. "	
Weather Decks, Superstructures and Casings		D.B. Tanks (indicate Oil Fuel) and Cofferdams	
Hatchways, Covers, closing and securing appliances			
Ventilator coamings, skylights, companionways and closing appliances		Fresh Water Tanks	
Holds		Deep Tanks	
		Oil Fuel Bunkers and Settling Tanks	
'Tween Decks		Side Tanks	
		Wing Tanks	
Fore Peak Spaces		Other Tanks	
After " "		Cargo Tanks (Tankers)	
Engine Space			
Boiler		Cofferdams	
Under Engines and Boilers		Pump Rooms	
Tunnel and Well			
Coal Bunkers			
Chain Locker			
Other Spaces			
		Have Tanks now Examined been Cleaned as Necessary?	
		Have Struts in Cargo Tanks (of Tankers) been removed?	
		Have Tanks been Retested as necessary after completion of any Repairs?	
Have the spaces now surveyed been cleared and cleaned as necessary?			
Have the close ceiling and cargo battens, linings, pipe casings, etc., been removed and replaced as required by the Rules?			
Have the bilges been cleaned out and examined?			
Has steelwork had rust removed and afterwards been recoated as necessary?			
Were inspection plugs or any insulation removed in insulated spaces for examination of steelwork?			
Has a Load Line Survey been held? If so, state which			
Have the shell and deck plating been drilled as per Rule? If so, Report 8(Dr) to be attached.			
Have any alterations to the approved scantlings and arrangements now been effected? If so, report details in body of Report.			
NOTE:—Indicate which compartments and/or tanks have been examined or tested by giving the identification numbers and inserting the word "Yes", e.g. Holds: Nos. 1, 2 & 3—Yes; or All—Yes.			

TABLE 2

The present condition of the following parts in so far as examined is to be reported:—

Shell plating	Ceiling and Cargo Battens	Sluice Valves examined and found
" " in way of side scuttles	Cement or Asphalt	Air and Sounding Pipes
Rudder and Sternframe	Cargo and other Hatchways	Doubling Plates under Sounding Pipes
Decks	Hatches and closing appliances	Masts and Rigging examined and found
Superstructures and their closing appliances	Ventilators, their coamings and closing appliances	Condition, how ascertained (State if wedges removed)
Coamings and Casings	Companionways and Skylights	Chain Locker
Beams and Fastenings	Shell Openings	EQUIPMENT
Frames	Ash Shoots	Equipment Letter a 2" sq.
Reverse Frames	Overboard Discharges and Scuppers	Anchors, No. of Condition
Longitudinals	Freeing ports	Cables (State if now ranged and examined)
Transverses	Steering Gear (Main and Auxiliary) examined and found	" length mean diam. (on board)
Floors	Windlass examined and found	" Rule Length Size
Keelsons	Pumps " " "	Hawsers and Warps
Stringers	W.T. Doors " " "	State if any Anchors or Chain Cable have now been supplied or retested, if so, complete Report 8(Eq) and attach.
Inner Bottom Plating		
Bulkheads and Tunnel		

Appendix

Have conditions (A) or endorsements (B) of Class (if any) been dealt with? 'A' & 'B' None See Below

REMARKS, REPAIRS, Etc. (Contd.)

Survey Fee

Special Damage or Repair Fee (if any)

Travelling Expenses (if chargeable)

£6. 6. -

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Second Surveyor's Fee (if any)

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