

N. N. "RELIANT"  
S.S. "LONDON IMPORTER".

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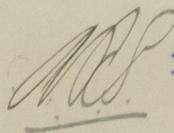
This vessel has just been completed by the Furness Shipbuilding Co. Ltd., for Messrs. Furness Withy & Co. and was launched in November 1922, and in accordance with the Rules in force when the plans were approved the date of build should be recorded as May 1923.

In the case of the sister ship "LONDON MERCHANT", this vessel was built by the same firm for Messrs. Neptune Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. (Furness Withy) and was launched in November 1921, being completed in May 1923, and after consideration of the Builders and Owners requests, the Committee decided to give a date of build 5,23.

In the case of the "LONDON SHIPPER" built by the same Builders for Messrs. Norfolk & N. American Steam Shipping Co. Ltd., this vessel was launched in December 1921, and completed in August 1923, when the date of build was given as 8,23.

In the case of the "LONDON IMPORTER" it is a matter for consideration, in view of the sister vessels having been assigned a date of build according to the date of completion whether the date of build in this case might be recorded as 12.23.

It might be pointed out that if the vessel had been built under the Revised Rules, she would have been entitled to a date of build 9 months from the date of launch in view of her tonnage being over 7,000 tons.



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