

S.S. "POINT PELEE PARK" *Ranella*ELECTRIC CABLES

The circumstances are detailed in previous endorsements, the special point of importance being that the Cables in this instance are not lead sheathed and armoured, as required by the Rules. The New York Surveyors now state that in the special circumstances it was not possible to comply with the Rules, but that every precaution has been taken to fit an installation which might be considered safe and acceptable in the present emergency. The Surveyors state that.-

1. The cables were all fitted in strong steel piping and merely passed through the tween decks without any outlets in these spaces. The piping is well supported and gas tight.
2. It was not possible to obtain lead covered and armoured cables in Canada without delaying the ship for a considerable time.
3. Extra ventilators were fitted to give a current of air through each of the tween deck spaces in order to obtain adequate ventilation.
4. Cables were removed from the shaft tunnel.
5. The degaussing cables were fitted in heavy gauge steam pipe quality gas tight piping.

It is considered that the arrangements ~~may~~<sup>might</sup> be accepted in this instance on the understanding that the equipment will be brought into line with the requirements of the Rules when the present state of emergency has passed.

IT IS SUBMITTED the New York Surveyors be informed accordingly and that the acceptance of this installation without lead covered and armoured cables should not be taken as a precedent, and that considerable importance is attached to the use of lead sheathed cables in Tankers.

IT IS FURTHER SUBMITTED the electrical installation be accepted for classification, subject to it being replaced in accordance with the requirements of the Rules when the present state of emergency has passed.

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