

"SAND DIVER"

IT IS SUBMITTED the Torquay Surveyor be informed in reply to his letter of the 15th July that the equipment originally supplied to this ship consisted of:-

- 2 stockless bower anchors 9 cwt. each
- 1 steam anchor 3 cwt. ex stock
- 165 fathoms of $1\frac{1}{8}$ " stud chain cable
- 45 fathoms of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " 6 x 12 stream wire
- 75 " " $2\frac{1}{2}$ " " wire towline
- 90 " " $5\frac{1}{2}$ " hemp or 2" steel wire hawser

Evidently the anchors have been replaced as they differ in weight from those indicated in the letter, but they and the remainder of the equipment indicated above are suitable for the new service.

As the B.C. rules are out of print and no spare copies are available any queries regarding equipment should be referred to the London Office, but it may be useful to note that the equipment letter for B.C. ships is the letter C followed by a figure viz. C 18/16 in this case. The figure following the letter C which may or may not be over sixteen indicates the diameter of cable fitted, $\frac{16}{16}$ sixteenths of an inch.

Ltr. 15.7.53.
Ans. 17.7.53.

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16th July, 1953.