

## M. V. "Britannic".

It is submitted the Belfast surveyors be informed that before this case can be dealt with it will be necessary for them to forward an amended report on form "1" giving all particulars in relation to B deck, and giving all particulars of stews, and erections on this deck. Full particulars of the hatchways on "B" and "A" decks should be given.

A general arrangement plan of B deck should be sent showing the doorways in the deckhouse extensions forward and aft of the bridge; scantling and construction of the doors; and also showing whether these openings give access to vital parts of the ship.

It is concluded that the scuppers from D deck are fitted in positions which are accessible at all times, but the surveyors should make this clear and should state if there are any openings in the vessel's sides which would affect the freeboard assignment.

They should ascertain from the builders if it is desired that a freeboard corresponding to a rounded draught of 34'-0" be assigned or if it is intended that the freeboard should correspond to the Board of Trade Subdivision draught of 32'-6" rounded.

Surveyors should forward approved plans for reference in dealing with the case.

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