

"TIRADENTES"

It is submitted Messrs. J.E. Hyde & Co., be advised that not possible to determine the exact freeboards which could be had in this case, owing to the absence of complete information. It would appear, however, that a freeboard corresponding to a summer draught of about 27'-9" could be assigned, i.e. a draught about 2 inches greater than the present draught. They should advise this if they desire instructions to be forwarded by cablegram to the Surveyors.

The conditions of assignment would be as follows:-

tonnage-opening, the freeing ports in the tonnage-well, and overboard scuppers draining the shelter 'tween decks being permanently closed, the 'tween decks being drained in lieu to the gages.

Overboard sanitary discharges from spaces in the shelter 'tween decks being fitted with automatic screw-down non-return valves controlled from the shelter deck.

Freeing port area on each side of the ship being increased to 100 square feet.

Provision being made for rigging lifelines, which should be available for use by the crew in all parts of the ship which might be required in the regular working thereof.

Bulkheads being carried watertight to the shelter deck. If this is not done, a notation regarding their omission in the 'tween decks will be made in the Register Book.

Openings in the fore-castle bulkhead being closed as required for full allowance.

Information will be sent to them (Messrs. J.E. Hyde & Co.) as early date regarding the "TROJA" and "THERMOPYLAE".

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