

S.T. "MALDANNA."Conversion from Minesweeper to Trawler.

IT IS SUBMITTED the Sydney Surveyors be informed that the remarks contained in their letter of the 14th instant have been noted and it should be pointed out that valves have been accepted for the terminal water gauge fittings on boilers of trawlers where these fittings were specially required by the Owners or by the Government regulations affecting the vessel, as in the case of Icelandic trawlers.

In these cases acceptance is qualified by the condition that the valves are of a type which did not cause obstruction to the flow of water ^{or} steam through the pipes when the valves are in fully open position and the valves are fitted with indicating gear to show whether they are open or shut.

In the case of the S.S. "MALDANNA" the valves are right angle valves instead of full bore valves and do not appear to be fitted with indicating devices to show whether they are open or shut.

In the circumstances, it is still considered that the existing valves should be replaced by cocks, which are much more reliable for the purpose under consideration, than are valves.

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