

"KINGSGATE"

The class is subject to set up and indented keel plates K.3,6 & 10 also shell plates B.7 & 4 (p.s.), A.3,5,6 & 7, B.4,5,6 & 7 (s.s.) also to set in stem and stem plating etc. being examined and dealt with as necessary and to indented shell plates D.3 & 4, E.3,4 & 8, F.3,4 & 5 (all p.s.) being specially examined and dealt with as necessary, next drydocking.

There is a S.R.L. Appendix Note.

The LEITH Surveyors report this ship found lying on a sand beach with a list to starboard. So far as could be seen the bottom plating was buckled from forward to after end of No.2 hold, water was leaking from a considerable number of places either due to leaky rivets or plate fractures. No.1 hold D.B.tank top was found slightly buckled and several floor reverse angle rivets slack. No.2 D.B.hold tank top was extensively buckled with a large number of floor reverse angle rivets slack. Starboard bilge was full of water and as the ship was on the sand at the time of survey it could not be ascertained if extensive leakage was taking place in the area when afloat. It would appear that the rudder also may be damaged.

The Owners' Representative was advised that due to the above damage, and possible further damage which might be found, no certificate could be granted.

The Owners' Representative stated they would abandon the ship as from 10.a.m. on 23rd February, 1962 and hand her over to the Salvage Authorities.

The case has been transmitted to London. by the Scottish Committee.

IT IS SUBMITTED ACTION be DEFERRED pending further information.

IN S.R.L. APPENDIX.

Keel and bottom shell plating (s.s.f) in 'A', 'B' & 'C' strakes indented. Bow plates 2 & 3 (s.s.) in forecastle sheer and 1st strake below and No.1 (s.s. from aft) in poop sheer 1st & 2nd strakes below slightly set in.

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