

Messrs. C. Ruthof's Nos. 420 - 4 vessels.

These vessels are building to class A1 "For River
uses only" and are intended for service at Constantinople.
Submitting the equipment for the figure 1 the Builders
used a chain cable 33/64" in diameter which was approved
and 60 fathoms were supplied.

The Trieste Surveyor wrote recently stating that
no cables of the above length and diameter had been
used and from the weights he furnished of these cables
appeared that they were from 17 to 19% below the weight
of a cable of this size according to Table 31, being about
11% below the weight required by the Rules for a cable 30/64"
diameter; the Surveyor was therefore informed that these
cables could not be approved for the figure 1.

The Builders now write that they ordered these cables
from Messrs. R. Sykes & Sons to have a weight of 520 kilos. which
is 20 kilos more than the Rules require, but the Makers now
write that with the above dimensions the chains do not weigh
more than 420 kilos. and the Builder desires to know if he may
use of these chains.

It is submitted that the Builders should be informed
to entitle these vessels to the figure 1 for equipment
if the weight of the chain cables supplied should be in accordance
with the requirements of Table 31.

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