

Steamers "CAMBRONNE" and "GRANDLIEU".

The Nantes Surveyor has forwarded plans shewing proposals to fit a second deck in the holds of the above vessels for the carriage of wine in barrels.

A general examination of the scantlings shews that these are generally such as could be recommended for approval for the normal loading contemplated by the Rules. The Surveyor states, however, that the scantlings have been based on a loading of 4,000 Kilogrammes per square Metre. This loading is more than twice that contemplated by the Rules for a cargo deck, and to suit the ^{same} ~~above~~ loading it will be necessary to increase considerably the scantlings proposed.

In these circumstances, and having regard to the abnormal loading represented by the figures given by the Surveyor, it is considered that he should be informed as above and asked to confirm the loading given in his letters, and ascertain from the Owners if it is desired that the scantlings of the new structure be increased to correspond therewith.

A reply by wire should be requested.

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(Plans retained)



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