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IT IS SUBMITTED the Trinidad Surveyor be informed that the Owner's latest proposals in connection with the bilge pumping arrangements as indicated in the third paragraph of the Surveyor's letter have been noted and will be accepted provided the valves controlling the bilge suction at the after end of No. 3 Hold are fitted in the pump room and are accessible at all times.

Further, since the sea suction in the pump room have been blanked off and Nos. 2 and 3 holds made common, the existing gate valves may be used in place of N.R. valves.

The summer tanks and the package cargo spaces should be fitted with open scuppers draining to the main hold and the existing 2" bilge suction from the general service pump in the fore hold to the package cargo spaces should be dispensed with. Sounding pipes should be fitted as required by the Rules.

With regard to the fore hold it is considered that a hand pump should be provided for draining this compartment in addition to the existing general service pump.

*Freeboard Dept  
See Separate  
endorsement*

*ARC.*

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