

Two Wooden Barges built by Messrs. A. Court & Co. at
Constitucion, Chile, for the Valparaiso branch of the
Anglo-Mexican Petroleum Co.

Dimensions: 80 x 22 x 9'6"

The Valparaiso Surveyor states that during his
absence on leave these barges have been built to specification
and plans drawn by Mr. Marshall - his deputy. He states the
original intention of the Owners was to have them classed by
the Society, but owing to his absence, this fell through.
The Owners are, however, still desirous of having a class and
the Surveyor states he can testify, after examination, that
they are of 1st Class material and workmanship.

The tanks have been tested to 10 lbs. water pressure
and the Surveyor desires to know the further steps that are
necessary and also the fees which can be charged.

The vessels are built of wood and so far as the
scantlings can be understood, appear suitable. The cargo of
100 tons is carried in one large steel tank. At the fore end
of the tank is a transverse wooden partition. There seems ^{to be}
no division separating this tank from the Boiler & Pump Room
at the after end of the vessel, but a wooden partition divides
the Boiler and Pump Room from the accommodation aft.

(Sec.35, par.16 of the Rules require that no wood
fittings or bearers are to be fitted in the Boiler Room or in
the compartment containing the settling tanks.)

There is no indication of any provision being made
for protecting the wood from the oil leakage, or from the heat
of the Boiler and it is not stated whether this after partition
and platform in way of the accommodation ^{is} gas tight.

It is submitted the Valparaiso Surveyor be informed
that Sec.35, par.16 of the Rules require that no wood fittings
or bearers are to be fitted in the Boiler Room or in the
compartment containing the settling tanks, and for this vessel
to be eligible for classification it will therefore be necessary

a steel bulkhead to be fitted, dividing the Tank Compartment from the Boiler Room and that the Boiler Room be isolated in steel or steel lined compartment : that the bulkhead dividing the Boiler Room and Pump Room from the accommodation aft and the floor of that compartment will require to be gas tight and further that Sec.49 of the Rules, so far as it has application to this vessel, will require to be complied with.

The Surveyor should be requested to state whether these requirements can be complied with, when the case will receive further consideration. Meanwhile, the plans should be returned with the request that the items on the midship section should be translated into English, and if it is decided to proceed with the classification, the various kinds of wood of which the vessel is constructed to be given.

In regard to the point raised about fees, the Surveyor should be informed that the fee charged in this country for the Survey of Hull during construction of Petroleum Tank vessels is \$12-12-0 ^{but this will not be applicable} and any fee that might be charged in ^{and will depend upon the nature extent of the services rendered.} ~~Paraiso should be based on this amount.~~ ^{the custom of the port}

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