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ENCLOSURES.

21st October, 1943

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Dear Sir,

The First Entry Reports of Survey have been received from the London Surveyors on the Ferro Concrete Swim Barges "ST. ANNE" and "ST. ASAPH", built by W. & C. French Ltd., of Grays, Essex. But before submitting these cases to the Committee I think it well to inform you of the London Surveyors' statement in their First Entry Reports, that the hatchway fore and afters and covers have been omitted from these vessels as the Owners have not been granted a licence for the necessary timber. The proposed concrete ceiling has not been fitted.

The Surveyors further state that the barges are now being used as open barges for the carriage of coal, coke or ballast and they recommend the class +A- "Barge" "For River and Harbour Services on the Thames" "Experimental" which is not in accordance with the latest C.S.S. Dept endorsement of the 13.10.43.

In the circumstances further consideration should be given to the class, if any, that could be assigned if the hatch covers are dispensed with.

A communication respecting the descriptive notation to appear in column 3 of the Register Book is awaited.

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,
C.S.S. Department,
GLASGOW.

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

P.S. The First Entry Reports of the above vessels and the plans are forwarded for your guidance.

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