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VESSEL'S NAME "NONAI MARU" Rpt. Kob No. 11633

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

The KOBE Surveyors report (9.40) this vessel examined in dry dock after stranding (7.39) subsequent refloating (3.40) and thereafter blown ashore in typhoon (4.40).

Extensive damage:- sternframe broken (rudder post and solepiece missing), rudder mainpiece broken below coupling and rudder missing; bottom plating buckled or torn; both bower anchors and several lengths of chain cable lost and remaining lengths used during salvage operations, (these remaining lengths are recommended to be thoroughly examined and dealt with as necessary).

The windlass and capstan also require to be opened up, examined and repaired as necessary for the same reason.

Owing to dirty internal condition after flooding of all compartments, it was not possible to make an internal examination, but most of bulkheads are slightly buckled.

Owing to high cost of repairs the Owners considered selling the vessel for breaking up.

The latest information from the Yokohama Surveyors is that she will be disposed of, if possible, as she lies, but whether for repair and recommissioning is not yet known.

The Yokohama Surveyors are keeping in touch and will write further when definite information as to the vessel's future is ascertained.

It is submitted action be deferred meantime.



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