

s.s. "ALAMO"

This vessel was heavily damaged through stranding whilst leaving a small Chilean port in October 1954 in loaded condition. She was subsequently refloated and surveyed on floating dock by the Society's Surveyor at Valparaiso in December/January last.

His damage report says that severe damage has been sustained to the bottom and tank tops, and he now reports that there is some talk of effecting temporary repairs to allow the vessel to proceed to a repair port.

He asks for instructions as to the issue of an interim certificate and, at the same time, our view as to the minimum the Society could accept for a contemplated voyage outwith South America, say to U.S.A. Germany, Spain and Italy.

The vessel at present has a qualifying notation against her class in the Register Book of "In port damaged", and it is submitted for consideration whether the issue of an interim certificate particularly for any proposed voyage outside South America should be undertaken by our Valparaiso Surveyor who is a Ship and Engineer Surveyor.

If it is thought that such a certificate should be given and it is considered that temporary repairs should be effected to his entire satisfaction to place the ship in an efficient condition for the contemplated voyage, and that the requirements of a general examination of hull and machinery should be held together with the Boiler Survey.

*X including
dry docking.*

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