

Twin Screw Motorship "PALAWAN".

Messrs. The Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co.

Engines made by Messrs. Grossmotoren Werke, Hamburg.

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The Hong Kong Surveyor states the Shipbuilders do not consider that they should pay the First Entry Fees for machinery where it has been ordered by the Owners from another firm, and delivered to the Shipbuilders for installation only.

In the present case the Main Engines are of 183 NHP and if the hull and machinery of the vessel had been constructed in Great Britain the fees chargeable in respect of the survey of the machinery would be as follows, viz:-

First Entry.....	£3.	0.	0.
Machinery.....	45.	15.	0.
Two riveted starting air receivers.....	4.	0.	0.
		<u>£52.</u>	<u>15.</u> 0.
and in addition for donkey boiler.....	4.	4.	0.
Total.....	<u>£56.</u>	<u>19.</u>	<u>0.</u>

In accordance with the usual practice the total fees for the Special Survey of the Machinery would be sub-divided as follows:-

For survey of machinery and auxiliaries during construction 4/5ths of £52.15.0.....	£42.	4.	0.
For installing on board.....	10.	11.	0.
	<u>£52.</u>	<u>15.</u>	<u>0.</u>

The Hamburg Surveyors charged the Full First Entry Fee of £3 plus 60% of the machinery survey fee of £45.15.0 (i.e. £27.9.0), i.e. a total of £30.9.0, and evidently did not charge the £4.4.0 due for the survey of the riveted starting air receivers.

The Hong Kong Surveyor charged as follows:-

		£.	s.	d.
Twice the first entry fee of £3.....	6	0.	0.	
1/3 the machinery survey fee of £45.15.....	30.	10.	0.	(doubled)
For installing the donkey boiler 50s.....	5.	0.	0.	
For electric lighting installation.....	30.	0.	0.	
Travelling expenses.....	5.	0.	0.	
Total.....	<u>76.</u>	<u>10.</u>	<u>0.</u>	

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The request for the survey of the hull and machinery was signed by Messrs. The Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

IT IS SUBMITTED the Hong Kong Surveyor should be advised that the first entry fee of £3 for the machinery of this vessel had been charged by the Hamburg Surveyors and that according to Hong Kong Report No.6225 twice this amount i.e. £6 was charged to the Shipbuilders' account.

It is therefore considered advisable in the present case that the sum of £6 should not be charged.

With reference to the concluding<sup>paragraph</sup>/of the Surveyors' letter it might be explained that in this country where it may be necessary to sub-divide the total fees for the special survey of Motorship Machinery during construction the practice is to allocate the amount as follows, viz:-

Four-fifths for the survey of the main engines  
and auxiliaries, and first entry fee.  
One-fifth for the survey of the work involved in  
fitting on board.

and it is suggested that the same course might be followed on future similar occasions at Hong Kong, based on the customary charges of the port.



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