

Buffalo



Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Ocean Chambers, Lowgate,

- 9 AUG 1943

Hull, 6th August, 1943.

For the attention of Mr. Dyke.

Dear Sir,

Reference

S.S. "FORT CAPOT RIVER".

With reference to the equipment of the above vessel, I attended aboard in the Immingham Docks yesterday and found that:-

1. The cable is of 2-1/16" diameter. ✓
2. Certificate No. 7201, dated 26.5.43 contains the following details: High tensile steel 2-1/16" dia. Total length 180 fms. Number of shackles NIL. Weight 41800 lbs. (without shackles) length of link 12³/₈" breadth 7-7/16". Tensile strain 246930 lbs. Breaking strain applied to 3 lengths per 15 fathoms, 341510 lbs. Marked C.F.7201, J.A.S. 28.4.43. Makers' name: Electro Weld Metal Products, Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.

Certificate No. 7210, dated 26.5.43 contains the following details: High tensile steel 2-1/16" dia. Two lengths chain cable 30 fathoms. Weight 6930 lbs. (without shackles) length of link 12³/₈" breadth 7-7/16". Tensile strain 246930 lbs. Breaking strain applied to 3 lengths per 15 fathoms 341510 lbs. Marked C.F.7210 L.H. 12.5.43. 341510 L.R. 243930. Makers' name: Electro Weld Metal Products, Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.

There was no opportunity for ranging the cables or of checking the discrepancy between the statement of the above certificates that the vessel is in receipt of 14 fms. chain cable and that on the Interim Certificate that 45 fathoms of 2-5/16" chain cable are outstanding.

3. No mention is made on the Interim Certificate of the type of connecting links or of the cable lifters, but there are certificates dated 29/4/43 for:
 - 14 cast steel joining links for 2-1/16" stud link anchor chain;
 - 5 cast steel Anchor joining links for 2-1/16" stud link anchor chain;

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Test strain of 243930 lbs. breaking strain 341510;
Marked J.M.38284, 4,43, 341510 A.B.243930.

F.7696, 7 & 8 are for one new anchor joining shackle for 2-5/16" chain
cable marked ATG.N.1533, 7.17.42.

ATG.N.1624, 1.22.43.

and ATG.N.7596, 12.5.42 respectively,

also 424830 L.R. 303320 Proof load 215600 lbs.

Stamped C.F.7696, 7 & 8, N.N.N. 24/5/43, 31840, L.R. 215600.

These links are split lengthwise and held together with rivets.

There is also a certificate for two "SHIPALLOY" detachable connecting
links: Test for 2-1/16" dia. H.T. steel stud link chain cable, Wt. 90 lbs.
2 off, length 12³/₈", breadth 7-7/16", tensile 243930 lbs.

Breaking strain to sample 341510 lbs.

Marks C.F. 7229, L.H. 28.5.43, 341510, L.R. 243930.

Makers' name: Electric Steel Foundry Co., Portland, Oregon.

These links are of hinged form with a truncheon pin across the centre.

The cable lifters are of normal form with fair snugs.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors.

Per:

She Store
for J. Skilman

The Secretary,
WOKINGHAM.

Total length on board is
stated to be 210 fathoms as confirmed
by phone from Hull
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