

## TRIESTE

28th September 1927

This is to Certify that

L. Stuparich.

the undersigned Surveyors to this Society did at the request of E.H. Greenham, Lloyd's Agent in this city, attend on the 19th of September on board the British Ship "LA PLAYA" as she lay afloat at the Cantiere Navale at Monfalcone, and subsequently whilst afloat in Trieste harbour and sea trials, to ascertain in the nature and extent of the damage stated to have been sustained to the propelling motors on 4th July, 1927, by the flooding of the motor space due to the sounding pipe being left open while filling the No.5 Tank with fresh water.

For further particulars see Captains report.

Upon examination it was found that, although the motors showed every signs of good and efficient maintenance, the insulation resistance was very low, and the adjusting slots of the brush arms filled with water.

In order to rectify the condition of the insulation and brush arms, it was recommended that the insulation be dried out and the brush arms repolished. The motor space to be obtained and dried out.

The drying out of the insulation has been made by placing in short circuit the rotor with a low tension circuit furnished by the repaires, and when the temperature rose to about



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100 degree Cent. the space ventilator was put into action. This operation was performed for three days, day and night, and on remeasuring the condition of the insulation it was found that, while the insulation resistance of the after motor was satisfactory, that of the forward motor was still low.

Under this condition the motors were tested under working condition at full load (1930 kw.-840 V.) for four hours with satisfactory results, except that of insulation resistance of the forward motor, which was still low. The rise of temperature on the different parts of the motors after the four hours running was found normal.

As the vessel was urgently needed for the trial trip from Trieste to Genoa, arrangements were made with the owners representative that the propelling motors should be again examined at Genoa.

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