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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street,

London, 18th February, 1932  
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To the Surveyor at WELLINGTON.

Name, S.S. "PARITUTU"

16/6  
C. J. L.

QUESTION.

ANSWER.

In reference to your  
sum of the 9th December last  
be glad to learn how this  
stands.

C. J. L.

Date:— 20th April, 1932.

The position regarding this vessel is most unsatisfactory. She has been laid-up for a year and the Wanganui Harbour Board's Dredger "Kaione" has been chartered to do any dredging work required. I wrote the Board on the matter prior to receiving this "H" and I attach hereto copy of my letter and the reply to it received today. An official of the New Plymouth Harbour Board informed me unofficially that she was offered for sale "where she is and as she is" for £2,000 and a Queensland Harbour Board would take her if the Board would deliver her in its harbour but the New Plymouth Harbour Board consider the risk too great; he also stated she is too expensive to run and will require heavy expenditure on repairs before she can be put in service again and his opinion was, she will never be used again by the New Plymouth Harbour Board.

and in reply to mine side-direct question.

I recommend that the class vessel be expunged and of 4,32 be made in the Book against her name.

My own opinion is, the Board is temporising as the vessel has been probably offered as a vessel classified with Lloyd's, a strong selling point, which undoubtedly is true, but the conditions of classification have not been complied with for the past two years. You will

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