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29 MAY 1940

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VESSEL'S NAME "EMPIRE GANNET" ex "LOUISIANAN". Rpt. Hul. No. 50653.

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/02.)

This vessel is one of a number which have been acquired by the Ministry of Shipping and for which classification with this Society is desired.

With this in view a General Examination was made by the New York Surveyors in February last and as a result a record 100A1 Class contemplated—Examined 2,40 was assigned.

Indented stem plates Bl(p & s) require to be permanently dealt with and the sternframe solepiece, E.W. 2,40 and welded and reinforced at a previous date, requires to be further examined at the next dry-docking.

The Hull Surveyors now report the vessel examined afloat and the classification survey advanced.

A small cement box has been fitted at the after end of No.6 double bottom tank in way of a few leaky rivets and it is stated these will be dealt with at the next dry docking.

Stem plates Bl(p & s) as above continue efficient.

A First Entry Report supplementary to that forwarded by the New York Surveyors has been furnished.

In reply to enquiry the Surveyors recommend that a notation of "Carrying cargo oil F.P. above 150°F in deep tank" be assigned on completion of the survey and they state they are satisfied that the vessel is in fit condition to <sup>trade</sup> proceed for a further period of 6 months and they recommend a fresh record of Examined 5,40 be inserted in the Register Book.

"EMPIRE GANNET".

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It is accordingly submitted that a fresh record of  
Examined 5,40(in red) be inserted in the Register Book.

Amend S.R.L. <sup>to</sup> <sub>λ</sub>:- 'Exd 5,40- to be again surveyed 11,40'



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