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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

23rd February, 1920.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received Mr. Lowson's letter of the 17th instant enclosing reports etc, on the steel screw tug "W. MORAN" and with regard thereto, I have to state that it is noted he recommends the hull of this vessel for classification subject to sounding pipes being fitted to peaks, tanks and hold under crew's quarters, and the valves to the suction pipes to be controlled from the deck.

With regard thereto, I have to point out that in tugs it is not necessary to fit sounding pipes in the compartments under the crew's quarters, as by lifting a hatch these compartments can always be inspected.

In this case the only sounding pipes required are to the trimming tanks, to which air pipes should be fitted of not less sectional area than their filling pipes.

Further, Mr. Lowson should explain which valves to the suction pipes he recommends to be controlled from the deck, as the Rules only require oil fuel suctions to be so controlled.

At the same time, I shall be glad to learn when the First Entry Reports on the machinery of this vessel will be forwarded.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,
SOUTHAMPTON.

Secretary.



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