

BY AIR MAIL.

22nd November, 1955.

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R.M.C.3069, 91, 92, 93, 98 - As recommended.

"HIKAWA MARU". Before your First Entry Report 4b No. 3026 receives the consideration of the Committee, I shall be glad if you will forward the First Entry Report on the La Mont exhaust gas economiser together with the plans. In this connection I have to point out that mention of the fitting of this economiser should have been made in your report under the heading "General Remarks".

At the same time please forward the following information:-

- (1) Have crankcase explosion relief devices been fitted, as per Rules, to the main and auxiliary engines?
- (2) Has a notice board been fitted at the control station and the engine tachometer marked to indicate the barred speed range of 34/44 RPM?
- (3) Have the requirements of paragraph E 320 of the Rules (alternative

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Carriage of Oil etc.) been carried out?

- (4) Diameters of ER forward port and deep tank port side bilge suction shown respectively on the plan as 3" and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and in the Report as 2" and 2".
- (5) Diameter and type of safety valves on the oil fired donkey boiler. The area of 100.5 sq.cm. for high lift valves, as stated in the Report, is insufficient as the Rule size is 119 sq.cm.
- (6) Thickness of donkey boiler furnaces (14 mm. on plan and 16 mm. in Rpt.)
- (7) Mean pitch of donkey boiler stay tubes in nests, (196 x 300 mm. on plan, and 196 x 200 in Rpt.)

An early reply will be appreciated.



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