

16 SEP 1952

Surveyor

Received from Chief Ship Surveyor

ME 'BALLENA' REPORT C.Tn. No. 4512

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

Forsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points noted in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/52.)

This vessel was built in 1929-9 and is classed PS* (Whaling Purposes) with Notations of 'ss.C.Tn.9,49' and 'A.S. 8,50'

The Owners were advised in 11,51 that an Annual (Classification) Survey was required to be held by 12,51 in order to retain class.

The vessel has now been sold and the CAPE TOWN Surveyors forward a report dated 8,52 of drydocking and Annual Survey.

From shell drillings now taken recommendations were made for renewal of a number of plates, but the Owners were not prepared to carry out the necessary repairs.

A consultant was called in by the Owners, and minimum repairs effected for issue of a certificate to satisfy the port authorities for the vessel to proceed to Peru.

The Surveyors recommend that the class be expunged from the Register Book.

IT IS SUBMITTED for the consideration of the Committee whether the class of the vessel be expunged from the Register Book and a black line (—) inserted in lieu indicating withdrawal of class for non-compliance with reported defects.

16.9.52.



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