

Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Ocean Chambers, Lowgate,

Hull, 12th October, 1934.



Dear Sir,

The London & North Eastern Railway Co., have recently bought two Hopper Barges, and we shall be glad to be advised about certain questions which have arisen regarding the freeboards of these ships.

- (1) "JOSEPH PHILIP" - No.61690 in the Register Book.

This vessel's freeboard certificate is valid for service between Fifeness and Arbroath.

While it is not anticipated that the vessel will leave the Humber she may have to do so from time to time. We are asked by the Railway Company's representative if any material alterations would be necessary in order that an unrestricted freeboard certificate be issued, or, alternatively, without any alteration, could the present certificate be altered to give the ship a similar working range to the present one, but with the Humber as the centre.

- (2) "JAMES NO.63" - No.61480 in the Register Book.

This vessel's freeboard certificate we understand is valid for service in the English Channel.

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Under her new conditions of service, she will probably be required to work east coast ports from the Tyne to the Humber inclusive, and will have to proceed about 500 miles to sea with her full load of spoil. The same question arises in this as in the first case, and we shall be glad to be guided in these matters at your earliest convenience.

In the case of the "JAMES NO.63" it is the Owners intention to fit 2 cranes somewhere on the forward deck. These will probably weigh about 35 tons, but before any work is put in hand plans will be submitted showing in detail the deck stiffening and alterations which have been tentatively discussed.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,

Per:-

John A. Mackintosh

Secretary,

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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor.
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*This submitted the Hull Surveyors be
informed the endorsement on the
freeboard certificates may be amended as
desired provided suitable limits are imposed.
If the owners will suggest the limits desired
the matter will receive consideration.*

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