

C O P Y

LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

Port Baltimore, Maryland.

24th October, 1947.

THIS TO CERTIFY that J.G. Buchanan and

Little the undersigned Surveyors to this Society did at the request
Representative of the Owners, the Crown Agents for the Colonies,
the wood single screw netlayer

AN 76 (ex H.M.S. "PRETEXT")

the purpose of advising in her preparation for the vessel to make one
from Baltimore to London.

On 6th August 1947, and subsequently, while vessel was hauled on at
Brothers, Baltimore, and later whilst afloat at Messrs. Willse Spedden
ard, Baltimore, the undernoted work was carried out.

r lifted and pintle and fastenings examined.

ection bars around propeller apertures removed.

ous nuts of the fastening bolts throughout the vessel found loose,
ightened.

r chains removed and examined and 30 fathoms added, total on board,
thoms. Chain lockers examined.

r chains and one new bower anchor supplied, total on board, 2 bower
rs and one stream anchor.

an windlasses opened up, overhauled and afterwards tested.

el companionway, of welded construction, complete with stiffeners and
d steel door fitted over small flush hatchway on fore deck to the
peak stores, etc.

inged steel watertight covers of the cargo hatch forward now removed
eamings extended to a height of 24 inches, new wood hatch covers
ied, together with tarpaulins, battening irons, wedges and locking

eamings of the cargo hatch on after deck increased to 24 inches in
t, but the existing arrangement of steel hatch covers maintained.

eamings of the small engine room escape hatch on after deck increased
ight to 10 inches and existing hinged steel cover refitted.

tanks drained, cleaned and cement washed before refilling.

wo large steel net laying horns at fore end of vessel removed and the
in deck filled in with welded steel plates.

connection with the issuing of a Provisional Load Line Certificate,
en and missing stanchions fitted at the two tier wire rail at fore
tightening screws fitted for making the wire taut, additional
ection under the tow rope rail aft made by fitting stanchions and wire
e, wire gauge on all air pipes renewed or cleaned and canvas covers

ed, dogs or toggles on all W.T. hatch covers and W.T. doors renewed,
ed or freed up as necessary.

feboats supplied and fitted under davits, tried out and found sat-
ory.

re number of minor alterations and repairs carried out and weather
hose tested on completion of same.

ery

opeller removed, the tailshaft drawn, examined, the stern tube
ed.

a valves and cocks opened up and reconditioned.

amaged commutator of the main propulsion ~~turned~~ motor turned up true
dercut.

electric generators, motors, switchboards, wiring throughout vessel
tested and all grounds removed.

piston of the air compressors renewed and the compressor recondit-

ain thrust bearing opened up, the scored thrust collar machine to
surface, the thrust bearings and lower half of shaft bearing remet-

ort and starboard auxiliary engines reconditioned and tested and
full load.

umping arrangements tested out.

ire extinguishing appliances placed in order.

rankcase doors of the port and starboard main engines removed, the
case examined, all bearings checked, the main engines tried out
half load, indicator cards taken off all cylinders, minor adjust-
made and the port and starboard engines proven satisfactory.

lectric driving motor of the steering engine renewed, the hand and
steering gear from bridge and also from the steering engine space
out and the power and hand steering proven satisfactory.

(signed).....

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