

Equipment of the S.S. "NEW ZEALAND".

This vessel which was originally of 186 tons gross register was built at Beverley in 1886, and classed 00A1. She was afterwards purchased by the British Government, and the classification was discontinued. She has now become the property of a private Owner who desires that her classification may be re-instated.

The vessel is now at Appledore where she is being lengthened and undergoing the Second Special Survey No. 3. Mr. Hand, the Senior Ship Surveyor, and Mr. Hindmarsh, the Senior Engineer Surveyor, at Cardiff are joining the Appledore Surveyor on the survey.

The Surveyors report that the vessel has $170\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms of $\frac{7}{8}$ " stud link chain cable on board in $12\frac{1}{2}$ fathom lengths, whereas the Rules ^{for the lengthened vessel} require 165 fathoms of $15/16$ " chain cable. They are unable to find any evidence that the chain cable has been tested at a licensed proving house, though the marks on some of the lengths seem to indicate that some test has been applied.

The Surveyors recommend that as the size of the cable is well within the limits of reduction by wear admitted in the Tables the chain cables may be approved, provided it is now tested and certified at a licensed proving house.

It is also recommended that 90 fathoms of 2" steel cable in lieu of stream chain may be approved in lieu of 165 fathoms of $2\frac{1}{4}$ " as required by the Rules.

These recommendations are submitted for the favourable consideration of the Committee.

As regards anchors the Rules require :-



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Bowers $6\frac{1}{2}$ cwts. each ex stock - total 13 cwts.
Stream $2\frac{3}{4}$ cwts.
Kedge 1 cwt.

It is proposed to make good the present equipment
anchors by the renewal of some of them, so that they will
be as follows, viz:-

Trotman	6 cwts. 2 qrs. 0 lb.	ex stock-new - tested
Trotman	6 cwts. 0 qr. 7 lb.	ex stock- tested, but no certificate.
Stream	5 cwts. 3 qrs. 21 lb.	ex stock- tested, but no certificate.
Kedge	1 cwt. 1 qr. 0 lb.	no test required.

It is submitted that provided the new bower anchor
7 cwts., so that the total weight of bower anchors is
as required by the Rules, the proposed equipment
anchors may be approved.

The hawsers and warps comply with the Rule
requirements.


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Decision Approved

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