

Rec 16/7/50

No. 557 Survey held at Guernsey Date 12 July 1850  
 on the Ben Bague Costa Rica Master Edward Andrews  
 Tonnage 299 Built at Guernsey When built Keel laid 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 1848  
Launched 10 July 1850  
 By whom built James Sebire Owners M. William Le Sacher  
 Port belonging to Guernsey Destined Voyage Puente Arena / Pacific  
 If Surveyed Afloat or in Dry Dock Built under my inspection.

Length aloft 106 1/10 Feet. [Inches.] Extreme Breadth 22 6/10 Feet. [Inches.] Depth of Hold 15 6/10 Feet. [Inches.]

Scantlings of Timber.			Thickness of Plank.		
Timber and Space	Inches.	Inches. Middle Ends	Outside.	Inches.	Inside.
Floors	sided <u>24</u>	<u>11 9 1/2</u>	Keel to Bilge	<u>3 1/2</u>	Foot Waling <u>or limber strakes</u> <u>3 1/2</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Foothooks	<u>9 1/2</u>	<u>11 8 1/2</u>	Bilge Planks	<u>4</u>	Bilge Planks <u>4 1/2</u>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ditto	<u>8 1/2</u>	<u>9 1/2</u>	Bilge to Wales	<u>3 1/2</u>	Ceiling in Flat <u>3</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Ditto	<u>7 1/2</u>	<u>8 1/2</u>	Wales <u>5 Strakes</u>	<u>4 1/2</u>	Ditto Bilge to Clamp <u>2 3/4</u>
Top Timbers	<u>7 1/2</u>	<u>8 1/2</u>	Topsides	<u>3</u>	Hold Beam Clamps <u>5</u>
Deck Beams N <sup>o</sup> . of <u>24</u>	<u>10 1/2</u>	<u>9 1/2</u>	Sheer Strakes	<u>3 1/2</u>	Deck Beam Ditto <u>6 1/2 by 12</u>
Hold Beams N <sup>o</sup> . of <u>15</u>	<u>10 1/2</u>	<u>11 8 1/2</u>	Plank Sheers	<u>3 1/2</u>	Ceiling 'twixt Decks <u>2 3/4</u>
Keel	<u>12 1/2</u>	<u>12 1/2</u>	Water-Ways	<u>5</u>	Hold Beam Shelves <u>—</u>
Kelsons	<u>12 1/2</u>	<u>12</u>	Upper Deck	<u>4 1/2</u>	Deck Beam Ditto <u>10 1/2 by 12</u>

Size of Bolts in Fastenings, distinguishing whether

	Inches.	Copper	Inches.	
Heel-Knee, and Dead Wood abaft	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>		
Scarphs of Keel N <sup>o</sup> .	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>	Bolts thro' the Bilge and Foot Waling	<u>3/4</u>
Floor Timber Bolts	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>	Butt End Bolts	<u>3/4</u>
Kelson ditto	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>	Lower Pintle of the Rudder	<u>3</u>
Transoms and throats of Hooks	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>		
Arms of Hooks	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>1 1/8</u>		

Hold Beam Copper 7/8  
 Deck Beam iron 7/8 bolted  
 8 iron straps in the hold beams  
 bolted through & clenched

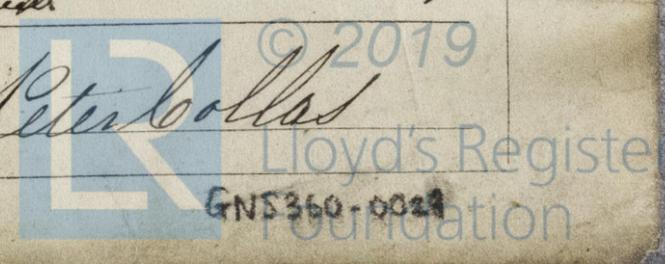
**Timbering.**—The Space between the Floor Timbers and Lower Foothooks in this Vessel is 3 Inches. The Space between the Top-timbers is 5 Inches. The Stem, Stern Post, are composed of English Oak the Transoms, Aprons, Knight Heads, Hawse Timbers, of English Oak and are — free from all defects. The Floors and first Foothooks are composed of English and Danzig oak Timber. The other Foothooks and Top Timbers of English oak. The Shifts of the first and second Foothooks are not less than 3 feet 7 inches N. B. When less than prescribed by the Rule, state how many. The rest of the Shifts of the Frame are 5 to 6 feet. The Frame is well squared from the first Foothook Heads upwards, and — free from sap, and from thence downwards, the frame is well squared and free from sap. The alternate Frames are — bolted together. right up N. B. If not, state how bolted. The Butts of the Timbers are — close together; their thickness not less than 1/3 of the entire moulding at that place. The Frame is — chocked with a Butt at each end of the chock. where required The Main Kelson is composed of Danzig Oak and the False Kelson of Danzig Oak and dupped. The Scarphs of the Kelsons are not less than 6 feet — inches. N.B. Deck beams 3 of English oak, the remainder of Danzig oak all morticed in the hold beams The Deck and Hold Beams are composed of Hold beams Danzig Oak also dupped with 8 iron straps bolted through the hold beams and clenched

**Planking Outside.**—From the Keel to the first Foothook Heads the Plank is composed of Am<sup>er</sup> Elm & English Beech From the first Foothook Heads to the Light Water Mark of Danzig fir From the Light Water Mark to the Wales of Danzig fir The Wales and Black-strakes are of Danzig oak The Topsides of Danzig Oak The Sheer-strakes and Plank-sheers of Danzig oak The Water-ways of Danzig Oak The Decks of Danzig Crown fir State of new & good Copper fastened The Shifts of the Planking are not less than 6 Feet — Inches. N. B. If less than prescribed by the Rule, state whether general or partial, and if partial, in what part of the Ship. The Planking is wrought rotten plank 3 between

**Planking Inside.**—The Limber-strakes are composed of Danzig oak the Bilge Planks of Danzig Oak The Ceiling, Lower Hold, of Danzig Oak Between Decks of Danzig Oak Shelf Pieces of Danzig Oak Clamps of Danzig Oak

**Fastenings.**—To Hold Beams 7/8 inch Copper bolts, the metal sheathing being over. Deck Beams 7/8 and 1 inch bolts iron Number of Breasthooks 4 wood iron Pointers 2 iron Crutches 1 iron Butts End Bolts are of 3/4 Copper in the Bottom, and a Bolt in each Butt End through and clenched. Bilge and Footwaling 3/4 Copper bolted through and clenched. N.B. the limber strakes are bolted into the floors with 3/4 iron bolts not through the outside planks. The first 2 feet of butts on the keel General Quality of Workmanship excellent

We certify that the preceding is a correct description of the above-named Vessel,  
 Builder's Name James Sebire Surveyor's Name Peter Collins



Her Masts, Yards, &c. are in good condition, and sufficient in size and length.

She has SAILS.		CABLES, &c.		ANCHORS, and their weights.	
N <sup>o</sup> .		Fathoms.		Inches.	N <sup>o</sup> .
2	Fore Sails,		Chain .....		Bower,
2	Fore Top Sails,		Hempen Stream Cable .....		Stream,
2	Fore Topmast Stay Sails,		Hawser .....		Kedge,
2	Main Sails,		Towlines .....		
2	Main Top Sails,		Warp .....		
and <u>others complete</u>		All of <u>good</u> quality.			

Her Standing and Running Rigging Patent Rope sufficient in size and good in quality.

She has One Long Boat and two other boats

The present state of the Windlass is new Capstan new and Rudder new & good

**General Remarks—Statement and Date of Repairs.**

This vessel having been about twenty one months building - and nine months since the planking was began to be laid - the whole being well seasoned and the principle part of Limbs or frame consisting of English Oak, the Workmanship executed in an excellent manner, Acknowledged by your much esteemed London Surveyor, when they came over, and well found. They to recommend her to be classed nine years. As accordingly -

If Sheathed, Doubled, Felted, or Coppered metal over which paper & brack bands When last done on the stocks

I am of opinion this Vessel should be Classed 9 years AS-

The Amount of the Fee.....£ 3 : - : - is received by me,

Special attend<sup>ce</sup>.....£ 10 : - : -

Certificate (if required) .....£ - : 10 : -

*Peter Colles*  
Surveyor

Committee's Minute 10th July 1845

Character assigned AS



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