

Steamer "SOLGLIMT", No. 34626 in the Register Book.

This Passenger Steamer is being converted into a Whaling Factory at Gothenburg, and the equipment was approved on the 2nd instant.

A letter has been received from the Gothenburg Surveyors stating that the Owners' Representative objects to fitting the length of cable required, viz:- 347 fathoms.

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed that the chain cable as required by the Rules²⁶ is 330 fathoms of 2 12/16" diameter, of a minimum weight of 125⁸ cwts., and as the cable on board the ship is of less diameter and weight than this, an additional length, making 347 fathoms in all, is required, so that the cable may be equivalent to the Rule weight.

It may be observed that it is generally conceded that a longer cable of slightly less diameter is as effective as a shorter one of greater diameter, provided the weight is the same. *The Committee has approved this principle in many previous similar cases on the ground that generally the greater length of cable tends to a reduction in the stress produced by shock.*

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