

REPORT of SURVEY for REPAIRS.

1130/356
 No. 914 Survey held at Southampton Date 20 May 1857
 on the Screw Steam Ship "Belgique" Master M J Grantzen
 Tonnage 1849 w. Built at Amsterdam When built 1855
 By whom built Paul Van Owners Belgian Transatlantic Steam Navigation Co
 Port belonging to Antwerp Destined Voyage New York
 If Surveyed ~~Afloat~~ or in Dry Dock

Last Survey, No. 1130 Port Iron Classed A \ Iron

REPAIRS This vessel has been placed in dry dock and a few slack rivets taken out. She has been coated over in the plating of the bottom with Harrisons Patent Metallic Liquid Sheathing and this coating was on the vessel when I saw her consequently I am not able to give any general opinion of the state of the riveting. I could not see any appearance of movement in any part of the vessel. Before I should feel myself justified in recommending this vessel for a term of years I must see her in dock before any Paint is put on, but from my present knowledge of this vessel I am strongly of opinion that it is most desirable that she should be classed from year to year, and not for a term of years.

The Iron masts were taken out of this vessel at New York the first voyage she made as they were found much strained from the stretching of the Rope Rigging, this latter I advised being taken away before the vessel left Southampton and to be replaced with wire rope, which I find answers much better with Iron Masts

Present Condition of the

Decks	Good	Treenails	Windlass and Capstan	Good
Waterways	"	Breasthooks and Stemson	Pumps	Good
Comings	"	Transoms, Pointers, and Crutches	Boats	6 Boats Good
Upper Deck Beams & Fastenings	"	Timbers of the Frame	Masts, Yards, &c.	Good
Lower Deck Beams & Fastenings	"	Keelsons	Sails	Good
Planksheers	"	Clamps and Shelves	Anchors No. of Four	Good
Sheerstrakes	"	Ceiling	Cables	Complete 150 each
Topsides	"	Rudder	Hawsers and Warps	Four
Wales	"	Copper	Standing & Running Rigging	Rope
Plank (Bottom) and Counter	"	When put on		

General Observations and Opinion,

Caulking of Bottom, Deck, & Waterways.

This vessel from what I can see is in good order, and I am of opinion is worthy of being classed as before A 1 from year to year

The Amount of Fee none charged £

is received by me,

Special

Certificate (if required)

Committee's Minute

1857

Character assigned



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