

# IRON SHIPS.

9302 Survey held at Sunderland Date April 14<sup>th</sup> 1868  
 Name of Steamer "Richard Cobden" <sup>now</sup> Science Master Jones  
 Age under tonnage deck 699.59 Built at Sunderland When built 1868 Launched 11<sup>th</sup> March 1868  
 Depth of poop on spar deck 66.54  
 Ratio of engine room 253.11 By whom built William Pile & Co. Owners Messrs Ryde & Co.  
 Total Register tonnage 509.35  
 Gross Tonnage 790.00 Port belonging to London Destined Voyage London  
 Price for Crew - 28.52  
 Surveyed while Building, Afloat, or in Dry Dock Whilst Building

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**Workmanship.** Are the lands or laps of the clenchwork in all cases in breadth at least five and a half times the diameter of the rivets in a rivetted edges and butts, and at least three and a quarter times the diameter of the rivets where single rivetting is admitted? *Yes*

Do the edges of the carvel work and of the butts lay close together throughout their length without requiring any making good of deficiencies? *Yes*

Do the fillings between the ribs and plates fill in solid with single pieces? or are they in short lengths of various thicknesses? *Solid with single pieces*

Do the holes for rivetting plate to frames, butt straps, or plate to plate, &c., conform well to each other? *Yes* and are the rivet holes well and sufficiently countersunk in the outer plate? *they are*

Are there any rivets which either break into or have been put through the seams or butts of the plating? *A very few*

Her Masts, Bowsprit, Yards, &c., are in *wood* condition, and sufficient in size and length. (If they are of Iron or Steel give the scantlings of Plating, Angle Irons, &c., and further explain by a Sketch showing how the lower Masts and Bowsprit are constructed, showing the number of Plates and Angle Irons, mode of rivetting, quality of Materials, and if stamped with Maker's name.)

*The testing certificates of anchors & chain cables have been produced, issued from the Sunderland public testing machine and signed by Mr. John Thompson*

No.	She has SAILS.	CABLES, &c.	Fathoms.	Inches.	Test as per Certificate.	In. req'd per Rule.	Test req'd per Rule.	ANCHORS, &c.	No.	Weight. Ex. Stock.	Test as per Certificate.	Weight req'd per Rule.	Test req'd per Rule.
<i>1 drill 1 cross 1 and</i>	Fore Sails,	Chain .....	270	1 1/2	40 1/2	1 1/4	40 1/2	<i>Hotmans Bowers</i>	1	15.3.7	17.5.1.7	15.1.6	17.5.1.7
	Fore Top Sails,								1	18.0.10	19.2.0.21	18.0.0	19.2.0.21
	Fore Topmast Stay Sails	Hempen Stream Cable	75	7 1/2					1	18.2.14	19.10.3.21	18.0.0	19.10.3.21
	Main Sails,	Hawser <i>Chain</i> ...	75	1 in				Stream .....	1	7.3.21			
	Main Top Sails,	Towlines .....											
		Warp .....		7				Kedges .....	2	4.1.21			
		All of <i>good</i> quality.		5 1/2						2.0.20			
Her Standing and Running Rigging <i>Wire &amp; Hemp</i> sufficient in size and <i>Good</i> in quality.													
She has <i>Two</i> Long Boat and <i>Two Quarter Boats &amp; one Dingy</i>													
The present state of the Windlass is <i>firm</i> Capstan <i>Winches</i> and Rudder <i>&amp;</i> Pumps <i>400: good</i>													

Order for Special Survey	DATES of	1st.	On the several parts of the frame, when in place, and before the plating was wrought	<i>Built under</i>
No. <i>2010</i>	Surveys held	2nd.	On the plating during the progress of rivetting	<i>Special Survey</i>
Date <i>Sept 19/67</i>	while building	3rd.	When the beams were in and fastened, and before the decks were laid	<i>from Octob. 19/67</i>
Order for Ordinary Survey	as per	4th.	When the ship was complete, and before the plating was finally coated	<i>to the present date</i>
No. <i>—</i>	Section 18.	5th.	After the ship was launched	
Date <i>—</i>				

State if she has a Spar Deck *No* Poop *Yes* or Forecastle *Yes*

**General Remarks,**

*This Vessel has a Ballast Tank at the after end, about 54 ft long, & one at the fore end about 27 ft long, constructed in double bottoms, made water-tight round the frame angles, with angle iron collars, & in order to compensate for the reverse bars being cut through, at the upper side of Tanks, brackets are fitted between the frames, formed of angle iron, & rivetted to the outside plating, & to the top of Tanks.*

*The main sheer-strake is increased in thickness 3/16 of an inch, amidships for 3/4 the length of the ship, in accordance with the rules Section 16. For vessels exceeding eleven times their depth in length; the sheer-strake is an outside strake, & the Butts of d<sup>r</sup>, from the fore-castle to the Poop are fitted with lining pieces extending in one length from the fore side of the frame next upon the Butts, to the aft side of the frame next-abast d<sup>r</sup>, as recommended in Section 8, they are double rivetted, and a space equal to twice the diameter of the rivets, between each row.*

*A Bilge Keel is fitted at the upper turn of bilges about 70 feet long, amidships, formed of bulb plate 7/8 x 1/8 thick, between double angle chords 3 x 3 x 1/8 in; it will be observed that this vessel has a side keelson, of double angle iron, & a bulb plate at the bilges, in addition to the requirements of the rules the stringer plates on upper deck beams are increased in thickness 1/8 of an inch, & are double rivetted.*

In what manner are the surfaces preserved from oxidation? Inside *Portland cement to upper turn of bilges, & red-lead ab*  
Ditto ditto Outside *2 Coats red-lead, & 1 of pat<sup>t</sup> composition "Lewis & Co."*

I am of opinion this Vessel should be Classed **\*A I**

The amount of the Fee .....£ 5 : : : is received by me

*AM* Special .....£ 38 : 1 : : *Libun*

Certificate (if required) .....£ : : : \*

Committee's Minute *24<sup>th</sup> April* 18 *68*

Character assigned **A** *Libun*

\* I declare and certify to *Mr. Libun*