

Sunderland 5th September 1846.

This is to certify that the undersigned Survey to this Society, did, at the request of Mr Edward Trumble, Commander of the Iron Ship "Hoghton Tower" of Liverpool, 11598 tons register, her official number being 63.143 when lying afloat in the Hendon dock Sunderland, for the purpose of loading a cargo of wood sleepers and railway iron for Kurrachee, visit the said vessel from time to time during the loading of the said cargo, to see that it was properly stowed, and that the ship was loaded to a fair and proper draught of water for the intended voyage. I found as follows:- That the cargo consists of 1563 wood sleepers, about 100 tons weight, laid in the bottom of the vessel to height of keelson; upon which is stowed in the hold 1512 tons of railway iron properly dunnaged at the bottom and sides of the vessel efficiently shored from the top of the iron to Hold Beams to secure the same and support the 'tween deck upon which is laid 565 tons of rails properly dunnaged at sides and secured by shores to upper deck beams, making a total dead weight of 2144 tons, the load draught of the vessel taken in still salt water with the cargo on board together with all stores, provisions, water and necessary equipment for the voyage, ascertained from the marks on the vessel is 21 ft 9 in.

and 21 ft forward giving a mean draught of 21 ft $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins. and her freeboard midships from upper part of deck at side is 5 ft $3\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

It is the opinion of the undersigned after careful survey that the said cargo is properly distributed and stowed, that the vessel is fairly and safely loaded, and in every way fitted for the intended voyage also further certifies that the ship is furnished with a copper wire lightning conductor and that she has been swung for the purpose of adjusting compasses

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