

Received by Chief Surveyor 16. 9. 97.

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VESSEL'S NAME *Ironclad "Altata"* Report _____ No. _____

The remarks of the Chief Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

Nature of Survey _____

This vessel is continuously employed on the West Coast of Mexico where no Surveyor to this Society is stationed, and the SS.No.1 which became due in October 1894 has not yet been carried out.

The Committee decided in August 1896 that Lloyd's Agent at Guaymas should be requested to appoint a competent Surveyor to hold the necessary survey at the port named, but in consequence of the resignation of Lloyd's Agent there, this arrangement could not be adhered to.

Reports of surveys held on the hull and machinery in August *last* at Mazatlan by Surveyors selected by Lloyd's Agent at Mazatlan have now been received from the Owners. It might be remarked that Lloyd's Agent at Mazatlan was not authorised by the Committee to take this course. The reports do not show that the vessel has been examined in dry dock or on a slipway in accordance with the Rules, nor are the general statements contained in the reports as to the condition of the hull, machinery and the equipment such as to admit of the recommendation being made for the survey to be recorded in the Register Book, and the Owners should be informed accordingly.

Under these circumstances it is submitted the Owners might be asked to arrange for Lloyd's Agent at Mazatlan to select competent Surveyors to hold the necessary surveys on hull and machinery at Guaymas where there is a slipway on which the vessel can be placed, for there does not appear to be either dry dock or slipway at Mazatlan

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and as the S.S.No.2 becomes due shortly, instructions in detail
should be sent for the guidance of the Surveyors in holding the
S.S.No.2.

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