

Smack. "Robert Hadden" 28 Tons Register. 60 Tons Burthen.
Classed 10. A1 at Lloyds *Per 27/1/77*
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Complains, *Keelson.* That said ship has only a pine

That the inside skin in flooring is not all oak. or timber
equally durable

That two thirds of her treenails do not pass through
inner skin as required by Lloyds rules.

That her Butt End bolts are not according to
Lloyds rules (and that some of them are wanting

That there is no breasthook forward, and similar
bindings are not visible aft.

That bolts along stem (and stern post. have not
been secured by putty.

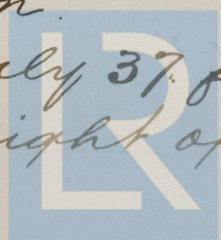
That no halfrounds are on Taffrail to lead rope
when warping vessel stern foremost.

That there is no Canvas Cloak on mast to prevent
water getting into the hold.

That Bowsprit Hasp not being on stem in
the usual way. prevents bowsprit from
being run in properly when required.

That Windlass is irregularly constructed, that
Mr. George's suggestion to cut spindle short
of the holes is wrong, the spindle is the
proper length, it is the heads that are
too small, (and moreover they have been
put on hand slack instead of being driven
on. (and are consequently moving), therefore
it is new heads of the proper size & length
that must be put on.

That the big chain is only 37 fathoms long
that the combined weight of her chains



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are far short of Lloyd's rules, or in fact of any rule

That her mast is too short, ^{as may be seen} from the quotations ^{hereafter} given

That the boom is resting on the joint of the Saddle band, (and from this cause, or some other fault in the construction of the boom

and Jaws, one of the jaws has given way she has only got an old Top mast that was in use before, (and from its original make cannot be lowered at sea by a keel rope,

That she was never supplied with proper buckets

That the water cask is an old one with nails in its bung hole where it had a plate upon it when in some other use formerly, I should have had a new one,

That stove in fore-castle is not a cooking stove and, that no cooking stove has been put anywhere else on board

That the sort of stove supplied has been badly placed, having already scorched the pallbit both above and below deck,

That the funnel (and Deck Flange attached thereto is more like what would be in an old condemned ship rather than what would be expected to be found in a new vessel of the "Robert Hadden" character & Class

Comparison of "Robt Hadden's" mast with the following three smacks.

	length	Breadth	depth	
Smack "Dolphin"	52	15	7	mast. 51 feet
Smack "Janet"	39	14	6.10.	mast. 41 feet
Smack "Alert"	45	15	7.	mast. 48 feet
Smack "Robt Hadden"	48	16	7.3	mast. 46 feet

Copy of Memorandum from Messrs Barclay Robertson & Co shipbuilders (and agents for Lloyd's Ardrossan.

Ardrossan 19th Jan 1877.

We are in receipt of yours of the 15th 47 or 48 feet is the length of mast for a smack of the sizes you give.



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