

No. 55 Survey held at Peterhead Date 25 August - 1840
 on the New Marguerite Belaisans Master Thos Robertson
 4243 Tonnage 242 Built at Peterhead When built 1838 & rebuilt & completed in 1840
 By whom built Jas Geddes Owners Robert A. Robertson & Anderson
 Port belonging to Peterhead Destined Voyage Newcastle, Mediterranean or Brazil
 If Surveyed Afloat or in Dry Dock Moulding Yard

Length aloft	Feet. 94	Inches. 3	Extreme Breadth	Feet. 24	Inches. 6	Depth of Hold	Feet. 15	Inches. 6
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Scantlings of Timber.			Thickness of Plank.				
	Inches.	Inches Middle	Inches Ends	Outside.	Inches.	Inside.	Inches.
Timber and Space	27			Keel to Bilge	3	Foot Waling	3 1/2
Floors	12	Moulded	11 9/2	Bilge Planks	2. Each side 4	Bilge Planks	2. Each side 4
1st Foothooks	12	"	11 9	Bilge to Wales	3	Ceiling in Flat	3
2nd Ditto	11	"	9 8	Wales & Black-strake	4 1/2	Ditto Bilge to Clamp	2 3/4
3rd Ditto	"	"	"	Topsides	2 1/2	Hold Beam Clamps	4
Top Timbers	8	"	7 4 1/2	Sheer Strakes	3	Deck Beam Ditto	3
Deck Beams	N ^o . of 20	"	4 5 1/2	Plank Sheers	3	Ceiling 'twixt Decks	2 1/2
Hold Beams	N ^o . of 8	"	4 1/2	Water-Ways	5	Hold Beam Shelves	3
Keel	English Oak	"	11 10	Upper Deck	3	Deck Beam Ditto	3
Kelsons	English Oak	"	12 1/2				

Copper.		Copper.		Iron.	
	Inches.		Inches.		Inches.
Heel-Knee, and Dead Wood abaft	1 1/2	Bolts thro' the Bilge and Foot Waling	5/8	Hold Beam	1 1/2
Scarphs of Keel	N ^o 8 3/4	Butt End Bolts	2 in. Each end through	Deck Beam	7/8
Floor Timber Bolts	2 in. in each	Lower Pintle of the Rudder	3		
Kelson ditto	2 in.				
Transoms and throats of Hooks	1 1/2				
Arms of Hooks	1 1/2				

Timbering.—The Space between the Floor Timbers and Lower Foothooks in this Vessel is 4 Inches Average. The Space between the Top-timbers is 3 Inches Average. The Stem, Stern Post, are composed of Red English Oak the Transoms, Aprons, Knight Heads, Hawse Timbers, of English Oak and are Sound free from all defects.

The Floors and first Foothooks are composed of English Oak large Scantling of Timber. well squared
 The other Foothooks and Top Timbers of English Oak properly Choked & Bolted
 The Shifts of the first and second Foothooks are not less than 4 feet Average. N.B. When less than prescribed by the Rule, state how many.
 The rest of the Shifts of the Frame are 4 feet & upwards close fitted
 The Frame is well squared from the first Foothook Heads upwards, and and free from sap, and from thence downwards, the frame is wrought square & well put together
 The alternate Frames are all bolted together. to the ends. N.B. If not, state how bolted. to gunwales
 The Butts of the Timbers are all close together; their thickness not less than 1/8 of the entire moulding at that place.
 The Frame is all chocked with a Butt at each end of the chock. Close properly fastened
 The Main Kelson is composed of English Oak and the False Kelson of Danzig Oak
 The Scarphs of the Kelsons are not less than 2 feet 6 inches.
 The Deck and Hold Beams are composed of English Oak Sound & of good Quality

Planking Outside.—From the Keel to the first Foothook Heads the Plank is composed of American Elm & English Oak
 From the first Foothook Heads to the Light Water Mark of English Oak plank wrought free from Sap
 From the Light Water Mark to the Wales of English Oak plank & Trimming
 The Wales and Black-strakes are of English Oak The Topsides of English Oak Planks
 The Sheer-strakes and Plank-sheers of English Oak The Water-ways of American Pitch Pine
 The Decks of American Yellow Pine State of New & well Seasoned
 The Shifts of the Planking are not less than 5 Feet 0 Inches. N.B. If less than prescribed by the Rule, state whether general or partial, and if partial, in what part of the Ship. The Planking is wrought between

Planking Inside.—The Limber-strakes are composed of English Oak the Bilge Planks of English
 The Ceiling, Lower Hold, of English Oak Between Decks of English Oak
 Shelf Pieces of English & Stringers Clamps of English

Fastenings.—To Hold Beams Double Iron Knives & Double Stringers Bolted through & Clenched
 Deck Beams Double English Oak Knives & Stringers & 7 Hanging Iron Knives on each side from the Beams
 Number of Breasthooks 3 forward & three Pointers 2 from Stern beam Crutches 2 all properly bolted with Copper
 Butts End Bolts are of Copper in the Bottom, and a Bolt in each Butt End through and clenched. a Beam across the timbers & the transom knees
 Bilge and Footwaling Copper bolted through and clenched. one in each Foothook
 General Quality of Workmanship good Very much Improved & as Agreeable as Possible to the Rules

We certify that the preceding is a correct description of the above-named Vessel.
 Builder's Name Jas Geddes Ship Builder Peterhead
 Surveyor's Name George Anderson Surveyor

Her Masts, Yards, &c. are in 1 condition, and sufficient in size and length. *of Best Materials*

She has SAILS.			CABLES, &c.		ANCHORS, and their weights.	
N ^o .		Fathoms.		Inches.	N ^o .	
2	Fore Sails,	180	Chain	1 1/4	3	Bower, 1 of a 11 Cwt. & 2 of 10 Cwt Each
1	Fore Top Sails,	65	Anchor Stream Cable	3/4	1	Stream, 4 1/2 Cwt
2	Fore Topmast Stay Sails,	90	Hawser	7-	1	Kedge, 2 1/2 Cwt
2	Main Sails, one for & off	70	Towlines	4 1/2		
2	Main Top Sails,	60	Warp	3		
	and a full Sheet Smaller Sails all of Best Leather Courses		All of <u>1</u> quality.			

Her Standing and Running Rigging is all New sufficient in size and Best in quality.

She has One 20 feet Long Boat and One 14 feet Jolly Boat & 1-14 feet Plein Boat Copper fastened

The present state of the Windlass is New Patent Palm Wind and Rudder Completed

General Remarks—Statement and Date of Repairs.

This Vessel is all built in frames—Lay in frames 6 Months in Winter 1839 for Seasoning—Completed in starting in June 1840—& all Materials Required for a 12 year Ship has fully supplied Agreeable to the Rules & Materials & fastenings of first Quality—The Respectable Owners requests this Vessel may be fitted out in the First Still—Should the Committee find any request omitted in the Report to reduce her from a 12 year Ship—The Owners will comply if possible by pointing out by Return as the Vessel is not Copper— but in progress of being Copper— & will be completed in course of a week—

I am fully of opinion this Vessel is admitted to first class for 12. A. as every proper care has been taken with material & workman ship to make her complete—

The Committee will please to send me a Certificate of Class to the Owners which I shall account to the Committee if being the Owners Request

Geo Anderson Surgeon

If Sheathed, Doubled, Felted, or Coppered Sheathing Copper—24-26 Oz Copper to 10 Inches below Males When last done _____

I am of opinion this Vessel should be Classed 12. A.

The Amount of the Fee.....£ 3 : 3 : . is received by me, from Robertson & Anderson for first Entry & Classing the New Barge Reliance

Committee's Minute August 25 1840 *George Anderson Surgeon*

Character assigned A 1 for 12 Year

