

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I, COMMANDER S. H. BUTLER, R.D.,
R.N.R., DID AT THE REQUEST OF LLOYD'S AGENT, LAGOS, SURVEY WITHOUT
PREJUDICE TO THE VARIOUS INTERESTS CONCERNED, THE S.S. "HOPESTAR" OF
5,267 TONS GROSS, OF NEWCASTLE, WHILST THE VESSEL LAY AT ANCHOR IN
THE POOL, LAGOS HARBOUR, ON 2nd. MAY, 1945, FOR CORROSION OF THE
ASH CHUTE AND FOR DEFECTIVE WELDING NEARBY WHERE TWO DECK PLATES
ABUT.

The undersigned, on examination,

Found

and Recommended.

1. A hole caused by corrosion,
where the ash chute passes
through the steel deck above

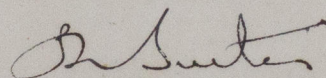
The ash chute to be blanked
off by a plate fitted to the
ship's side.

No.2 A Lower hold.

2. Defective welding where
two of the deck plates abut,
on the Starboard side of the
deck above No. 2 A Lower
Hold.

Re-weld and test, taking every
precaution to prevent sparks from
falling on to the cargo in the
lower hold.

The above recommendations having been carried out, tested,
and found efficient, this vessel as now seen is in my opinion in a
seaworthy condition and may continue her normal voyage, but as the
repairs to the Ash Chute are temporary, I recommend that permanent
repairs be carried out at the first opportunity when the hold is
empty of cargo.



SURVEYOR APPOINTED BY LLOYD'S AGENT

No. of visits...².....



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