

Translation

In connection with the interview I had this morning with Mr. Leeuwenberg of Rotterdam, and on his advice, I have to inform you as follows:-

The steel was obtained through Messrs. Acieries Anversoises, Antwerp, in the state of rough castings. The castings are provided by us with flanges, cover and seating. Afterwards they are provided with false flanges and tested to 5 atm. and after thorough cleaning they are examined and then sent to the enamelling establishment. There they are sand blasted for the 2nd time to remove all traces of rust and treated with acidproof and elastic enamel. Then they are returned to my shop and the valve again tested to 5 atm with ballvalve inside. They are afterwards despatched unpainted so that nothing is covered.

It is a fact that the qualities of soft steel, with the exception of corrosion, are much higher than those of bronze. Corrosion is absolutely prevented by our method of enamelling, even in case of damage from the outside, because the enamel has penetrated into the pores of the material. I always recommend steel valves in lieu of bronze valves and this without any personal interest because the galvanic currents and oxydation, which are not imaginable, are thereby avoided.

I was present during the telephone conversation you had this morning with Mr. Leeuwenberg who considers my points of view favourably. I have given telephonic instructions to the Acieries Anversoises to communicate with you.

Awaiting your approval.



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