

When the deck plans were approved for the above vessel it was observed that the scantlings of the hatch webs and covers on "E" deck in way of No. 3 hatch were only suitable if the cargo in the trunk had a density not exceeding 60 cu. ft. per ton, and a note to this effect was put on these plans.

A letter has now been received from the Antwerp Surveyors enclosing one from the Builders desiring that the covers and webs should be suitable for any kind of cargo carried in the trunks.

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed with reference to their letter of the 31st ultimo that the note on plan No. 92552 referred only to No. 3 hatch trunk, the scantlings of the covers and webs of the remaining trunks being suitable for cargo of normal density, ~~and~~ with hatch webs as shewn on this plan.

Regarding the arrangement of covers and webs in way of the trunks, ^{however} they should be requested to confer with the Builders in order to verify at which decks covers and webs are to be fitted, as, for example, these are indicated at No. 3 hatch at "E" and "C" decks on the approved deck plans, whereas on the general arrangement plan forwarded for guidance on the 27th ultimo, they are shewn to be fitted only at "F" and "B" decks. Further, the arrangement of hatch webs and covers at the remaining hatches is also shewn on this general arrangement plan to be altered from that shewn on the approved deck plans. On receipt of this information the scantlings of the members required at the bottom of the hatch trunks for cargo of normal density will be considered, and a further communication will then be forwarded.

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