

S.S. "HARPORT".

This vessel is now being converted by Messrs. Smith's Dock Co. at Middlesbrough from an ordinary cargo carrying steamer into one intended to carry petroleum in bulk.

A letter has now been received from Mr. Dippie stating that it has been decided to make the shelter deck of this vessel a completely enclosed structure. The Surveyor states that it is intended to extend the collision bulkhead to the upper deck only, instead of the shelter deck as required by the Rules, but that the bulkhead on frame 152 at the forward end of the oil tanks is to be extended to the shelter deck.

The Owners desire this arrangement of bulkheads, as, if the ^{collision} bulkhead were extended to the shelter deck the same would interfere with the arrangement of the crew space.

It is submitted that provided the bulkhead on frame 152 be extended to the shelter deck the proposal to extend the collision bulkhead to the upper deck only might be approved.

In view of the close proximity of the bulkhead on frame 152 to the collision bulkhead
The Surveyor should be requested to forward as early as possible full particulars regarding the erections and also as to the equipment at present on board the vessel.

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