

Steamers "ACTON MANOR", "CHISWICK MANOR", "EMSWORTH MANOR"
and "BROMPTON MANOR".

A letter has been received from the Owners stating that negotiations for the purchase of these vessels by the Laverton Steamship Co. are nearly complete, and that they, and the National Provincial Bank (who are mortgagees in possession) are agreeable to the prospective purchasers being furnished with any information they may desire. In forwarding this letter the Cardiff Surveyors state that the Superintendent of the Laverton S.S.Co. desires to obtain particulars of all outstanding surveys and repairs required to these vessels.

It is submitted the Cardiff Surveyors be requested to inform the Laverton S.S.Co. as follows :-

"BROMPTON MANOR" No survey due as regards the hull
The boiler survey became due in October 1932.

"EMSWORTH MANOR" The 2nd S.S.No.2 became due in May 1932 and has been partly held. To complete this survey the following remains to be done :- The weather decks, hatchways, holds, machinery space (except tank top in engine and boiler room and in tunnel), plating under sidelights, ventilator coamings, casings, forecastle and bridge spaces, scuppers, masts, spars and rigging, windlass, and watertight doors to examine. Freeboard to verify. Equipment (except anchors and cables) and boats to examine.

The pumping arrangements and electric fittings require to be examined, and the M.P. slide valve to renew.

The Boiler survey became due 10,32.

Repairs are required to the after peak tank, bunkers, tank top plating in engine and boiler space, double bottom tank under engines and boilers, and the tankside bracket angles in way of the after double bottom tank require to be renewed.

The class is subject to indented plating etc. on starboard side being dealt with.

"CHISWICK MANOR" The 1st S.S.No.3 became due in April 1931 and has been partly held. To complete this survey the following remains to be done :- Bridge space clear of bunkers, boiler space under stokehold platform, plating in way of sidelights, deck casings, chain locker, general equipment, hand pump and watertight doors to be examined, Nos. 1,2 and after double bottom tanks examined internally, engine and boiler room tanks re-examined internally, boiler room, fore peak and after peak tanks tested and freeboard verified.

Bottom and rudder, steering chains and fairleads, chain cables and windlass require to be re-examined.

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S.S. "CHISWICK MANOR" continued

Repairs are required to girders in engine and boiler room tanks, bunker casings, framing, after peak bulkhead, decks, coamings etc., and the outer plates, found fractured, require to be repaired by electric welding.

S.S. "ACTON MANOR" The class of this vessel was expunged with a Red Line in July 1932.

The vessel came under survey at Cardiff in March last for S.S.No.3 with a view to reinstatement of class, and to complete the survey the following remains to be done :- Bridge space clear of bunkers, plating in way of sidelights, deck casings, general equipment, hand pumps and watertight doors to be examined and boiler room tank tested.

Repairs are required to the floors, girders and tank top under boilers, bulkheads, deck and coamings in bridge space, ventilators, rigging etc.

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The Surveyors should be informed as regards the machinery surveys, as follows:-

S.S. "ACTON MANOR". To complete the S.S.No.3 for re-instatement of class the following remains to be done:- Piston rings and two valve spindles of ballast pump to be renewed, valve spindles of both Weirs Pumps to be renewed, piston rings of after Weirs pump to be renewed, tank injection pipe, and air pump suction pipe to be renewed, two bilge suctions, starboard side of engine room and main discharge pipe to be repaired, cylinder casting of windlass to be renewed and crank-shaft repaired.

To complete the Boiler Survey the auxiliary feed valve chest of port boiler and collision check of starboard boiler require to be renewed.

S.S. "CHISWICK MANOR". To complete the S.S.No.3 the steering engine piston rods remain to be skimmed up and rebushed.

To complete the Boiler Survey the auxiliary feed valve chest, blow down valve chest and collision check of the port boiler require to be renewed.

S.S. "EMSWORTH MANOR". The Boiler Survey, due 10,32, requires to be held in its entirety.

To complete the 2nd S.S.No.2 the pumping arrangements and electric installation require to be examined and the MP slide valve renewed.

S.S. "BROMPTON MANOR". The Boiler Survey due 10,32 requires to be held in its entirety.

