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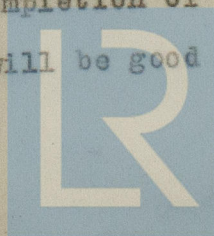
2nd October, 1924.

Dear Sirs,

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I duly received Mr. Gibbs' letter of the 20th ultimo regarding the First Entry Report on the steam trawler "ST. DONATS", and note the circumstances in which it was not thought necessary to test the decks or the bulkheads of this vessel. The matter has been carefully looked into, and I have to state that it is considered that there is no need to test the decks and bulkheads of trawlers unless at the request of the Owners.

It was noted that the plans forwarded with the First Entry Report showed alternative dimensions of framing, and that the plans had not been corrected to represent the vessel as built, and on this point I have to say that with the revised form of First Entry Report it is considered to be highly desirable that only plans which have been corrected in all details should be returned to this Office on completion of a vessel, and I shall be glad if Mr. Gibbs will be good enough to



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TESTING OF DECKS AND BULKHEADS OF TRAWLERS.

In reporting a new trawler "ST. DONATS" recently built by Messrs. Cook Welton & Gemmell in the Hull district

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steam trawler "ST. DONATS" - 2

In reply, Mr. Gibbs, the Principal Surveyor at forward a plan of the "ST. DONATS" as built, or the original plans amended to correspond.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary. The Committee agreed that as trawlers were essentially different from ordinary sea-going vessels to which the revised Rules are intended to apply, that the practice followed before their adoption might be adhered to pending the framing of amended regulations.

The Surveyors,

HULL.

In 1896 it was agreed to by the General Committee that the requirements of the Society's Rules as regards the testing of decks and bulkheads might be dispensed with in the case of trawlers, and it is evidently from this decision of the Committee that the present practice has arisen.

In regard to bulkhead testing an examination has been made of trawlers built in the Hull and other districts for some years back to ascertain the actual practice, and there is no report of bulkheads having been tested. In regard to deck testing the cases of vessels built in the Hull district since 1920 have been examined, and it is found that two thirds of the vessels built since that date are reported to have had the decks tested. It does not definitely state they are not tested

covered by the word "trawler", which might indicate that



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