

Please attach to Wreck Rpt.

(Not in RB. - sunk)

Extract from letter from Mr. W. J. Matthews re

"STANHALL".

Report No.2652.

Arrived May, 8th. A number of machinery defects reduced vessels speed to $6\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Naval control unable to allow joining 7 knot convoy.

A damaged spare propeller and tail shaft was fitted at Colombo. Blades cracked and distorted.

Superheater elements were removed prior to voyage to Australia, see Colombo Surveyors report 28.10.39.

Principal defects dealt with at Gibraltar.

H.P. Gland (Metallic) worn out. New gland and bush with beldame's packing fitted. Rods trued up.
4 new piston rings fitted.

Boilers salted due to feed losses above.
Port centre furnace down $2\frac{3}{4}$ "

Jacket up to $3\frac{3}{8}$ ". Heating surfaces scaled and cleaned in 3 boilers.

Dynamo engine governors missing (Broken) valve gear defective.

Governor and valve gear repaired and placed in efficient order.

Nav. and light circuits in bad condition.
Refrig. control ditto.

Renewed and repaired for voyage.

Bilge suction and ash cock connections in poor condition.

part renewal and complete overhaul. Placed in order.

Machinery survey recommended on arrival in the United Kingdom.

Lack of discipline in Engine Room. Chief Engineer drunk whole time in port.

Note re propeller.
40% slip



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