

S.S. "ATHENDALE" - built 1905 - 9

S.S.No.3 - 6.25

2nd S.S.No.1. due 6.29. partly held.

This vessel has been laid up, apparently since November 1930, and the usual undertaking has been furnished. 18/11/30

Enquiries regarding purchasing the vessel have been received from different firms since that time, and Messrs.

T.Pinkney & Sons, acting for the Owners, were informed on the 21st May last that the Committee could not agree to the ship being moved to a Finnish port from the Tyne to complete the Special Survey.

A further letter has now been received from this firm stating that the Mortgagees are offering the vessel for sale for breaking up. Offers have been received from Italy, but these offers stipulate that the Vendors shall furnish a certificate of seaworthiness to enable the ship to proceed to Italy under her own steam with a cargo of coal. Messrs. Pinkney desire to know if this will be agreed to, and state that if a general examination is required by the Committee for this purpose they will ask their Principals for authority to have this carried out.

As it is stated that the vessel is proposed to be sold for breaking up purposes, it is submitted that provided a general examination is held, and she be found or placed in a satisfactory condition for the voyage to Italy, an interim certificate might be granted, on the strict understanding, however, that the ship will be broken up after discharge of cargo at her port of destination.

It may be stated that the vessel was last in dry dock in May 1930, when the bottom and rudder were cleaned, examined and recoated, and the shell plating drilled and found satisfactory. As she has been laid up since November 1930, it is not thought it will be necessary for her to be placed in dry dock for the general examination.

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