

Steel Screw Oil Tanker "SINGU"; 3037 tons gross. Built 1903-12mo.
Owners:- Burmah Oil Company.

This vessel was under survey at Calcutta in April/May last for Second Special Survey No.3 and damage due to grounding, and heavy weather damage, when the following fees were charged:-

Hull Survey	945	rupees
Sunday attendance...	48	"
Travelling Expenses ...	25	"
Cables	35	"
	<u>1053</u>	rupees
Machinery Survey	500	"
Sunday attendance...	48	"
TOTAL:-	<u>1601</u>	rupees (= £120-1-6)

The Owners now desire to be informed what proportion of the account applies to "damage survey on account of grounding in heavy weather". It is thought that the request means the damage survey on account of grounding, and also the damage on account of heavy weather, as the Surveyor reports that the vessel grounded on two occasions - 12th September 1927 and 12th January 1928, and that the heavy weather damage occurred on the 29th September 1927.

The repairs effected due to grounding consisted of the renewal of three web stiffeners on the centre line bulkhead, and a number of slack rivets in fore end made good; also the opening up of the circulating pump and condenser and the repacking of the ^{stern}sternframe.

The repairs due to heavy weather consisted of three shell plates faired in place, three summer tank frames removed, faired and replaced, and one lifeboat repaired.

If the Special Survey had been held in this country the fees would have amounted to £50-7-6, and it is considered that double this amount might be allowed, in view of the survey having been held in India. The fee actually charged for the Special Survey and damage repairs was 1445 rupees, or £108-7-6,

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It is submitted that the Owners might be informed that without referring the matter to the Society's Surveyor at Calcutta it is considered that the proportion of the amount in respect of the damage on account of grounding might reasonably be taken as approximately £10-10-0, and that on account of the heavy weather damage, say £15-15-0.

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