

**FREEBOARD AND
SEAWORTHINESS.**

The Amsterdam Court of Navigation has decided to hear witnesses from Lloyd's and the Netherlands Freeboard Committee in the inquiry into the circumstances attending the damage sustained by the Holland America Line cargo steamer Andijk, in the North Atlantic, on October 29th last year.

The Andijk was built in 1909 by the Northumberland Shipbuilding Co., with tonnage openings, which were later closed to obtain a reduction of freeboard. At the hearing of the case it was intimated that the seaworthiness of the ship was thereby reduced, and in view of this, the Court are to obtain expert evidence on this question.



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