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Messrs. John Readhead & Sons' No. 518

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Owners:- Messrs. Andrew Weir & Co.  
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In a letter from the Newcastle Surveyors they give an extract from a letter addressed to them by the Builders, stating that:-

"The Owners have asked that the Deep Tank of their above vessel be adapted for the carriage of "Latex" Rubber. We are given to understand that the flash point of this solution is about "150° F.

"We shall be glad to hear that the Tank as built in this vessel meets your requirements in this respect."

On the 10th September, 1936, the question of the carriage of Latex in peak or deep tanks was considered by the Committee in respect of <sup>a</sup>the submission made by Messrs. Harland & Wolff for a vessel building by them for the same Owners. It was agreed that, provided the construction of the tank or tanks was in accordance with or equivalent to the requirements of the Rules for Tanks Carrying Oil Fuel, and the requirements of Section 20 of the Rules be complied with, the notation "Carrying Latex in Peak and/or Deep Tanks" could be assigned.

The approved plan of the deep tank, <sup>f N. 518</sup> has been examined, and it is found that the scantlings, arrangements and riveting comply with the above requirements. It is submitted the Newcastle Surveyors be informed accordingly, and that, subject to the requirements of Section 20 of the Rules in respect of sparring or lining and gutterways being complied with, the following notation will be made in the Register Book, if desired by the Owners:-

"Carrying Latex or Oil Fuel, <sup>F.P. above 150° F</sup> in Deep Tank"

As in the case of vegetable oil, it will be necessary before loading Latex for a loading test to be carried out, the tank being tested under water pressure and examined for cleanliness.

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