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Steel Screw Steamer "SOUTHLAND". No.34149 in the Register Book.

525 tons gross. Built: 1927-5mo. Port: Invercargill.

Owners: H. L. Tapley & Co., Ltd.  
(Late Owners) Bluff Harbour Board.

Classed: 100A1 LMC 5,27  
With Fbd. DBS 11,28  
12,29 S 12,29 CL  
Oil Engine.

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The Special Survey No.1 became due in May, 1931 and, the vessel being laid up, the late Owners furnished the usual undertaking.

The Special Survey No.2 became due in May, 1935.

The case received consideration in July last, (the Special Survey No.2 being then more than two years overdue and the vessel still being laid indefinitely) when, in view of her condition as last reported by the Society's Surveyor at Dunedin, the Owners were requested to arrange for this inspection to be carried out to entitle the vessel to retain her class.

A letter has now been received from the Owners, stating that they had anticipated selling the vessel to a Chinese Firm in Shanghai, but owing to unsettled conditions there, the sale had not materialised. As, however, the vessel would probably be sold to the East, they did not consider it advisable to retain her class any longer, and requested that the necessary action be taken by the Committee.

The case was submitted to the Classing Committee on Tuesday, the 14th instant, when, in the circumstances, they decided to give instructions for the vessel's class to be expunged from the Register Book with a Red Line ( 12,37 ) indicating non-compliance with the Society's Rules.

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