

Ex-German Steamer "PATMOS"

Mr. Balbirnie, the Assistant Superintendent for the Bryon Steamship Co., has called here today respecting the survey and repairs now being undertaken at Newcastle with a view to classification with this Society.

He states that the Owners have received a telegram from their Representative at the Ship stating that in No.3 tank it is absolutely necessary to remove six floors for fairing, the other 14 floors be faired in place and strengthened these repairs necessitating the removal of threeshell plates for access to the double bottom.

The Owners are anxious to complete the survey at this time, but they are anxious that no more work than is absolutely necessary for classification should be undertaken.

Mr. Balbirnie also states that there is some delay with the Surveyors in coming to a decision regarding the chain cables. The Owners are anxious that this matter should be settled as early as possible in order that the vessel may not be delayed.

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