

Wood Drifter "RENNYHILL" ex "DYKER LASSIE" ex "FOGBANK".
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*111A1 "For Fishing Purposes" (9 & 12 years materials).

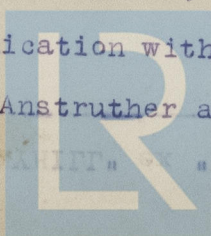
The Leith Surveyors recently forwarded a letter from the Owners of this vessel, in consequence of which they were requested to proceed to Anstruther and interview the Owners, and the Surveyors now report that they are informed that, during last season, indications of dry rot were found existing in this vessel, and for the safety of the crew and of the ship itself it was decided to return to a home port where she has been laid up ever since.

It is stated that dry rot generally exists in the timbers, planking &c., and the Leith ~~and~~ Surveyor states that on personally visiting the vessel in the company of the Owners this condition was found. The underwriters have consequently refused to accept the vessel even as a harbour risk, and she is thrown upon the Owners' hands awaiting a legal or mutual settlement with the Admiralty.

In their letter to the Leith Surveyors the Owners state that they purchased this vessel on the strength of her having been built to this Society's classification, and that the matter will probably be well aired in the Law Courts before a settlement is reached, and will most certainly do the Society as a Classification Society a good deal of harm.

A sample taken from the planking has been forwarded by the Surveyors, and an examination of this piece of wood shews that it is full of dry rot.

In the circumstances it is submitted Mr. T. Richardson, of Aberdeen, who has had a great deal of experience in wood ship construction, should be instructed to place himself in communication with the Leith Surveyors and arrange to proceed to Anstruther and join with them in



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 on her condition ^{on Repair Report form B} for the information of the Committee, ^{together with their recommendations} with
 a view to deciding as to whether the vessel's class can
 still be continued in the Register Book.

The Leith Surveyors should be instructed to
 arrange with the Owners and with Mr. Richardson for such
 a survey to be held, and the First Entry Reports on the
 ship should be forwarded to them for guidance.

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