

178 MAR 1919

17. 3. 19.

Received from Chief Surveyors

Steel S.S. "SERIEUX".

Rpt.

Ecl.

No. 1470

For the CHIEF SHIP SURVEYOR and CHIEF ENGINEER SURVEYOR.

have to be submitted to the Classing Committee "the endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been made and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case. The Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

No. 3 SURVEY PARTLY HELD.

2.18. When proposed to be completed

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FRENCH GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

The 1st. s.s. No. 3, due 2.18, has been partly held.

The Barcelona Surveyor in March last stated that as the vessel could not be employed as a trawler owing to the excessive consumption of coal she was put on Coasting Trade at Barcelona and set to carry wine, and in view of this the centre portion of the decker-tight bulkhead between the cross bunker and the hold had been removed to allow of barrels being carried in the cross bunker.

The case received consideration on the 14th. May, when the decision was deferred and the Surveyor requested to inform the Owners that when the centre portion of the bulkhead had been replaced and the bulkhead made tight, the notation of s.s. No. 3 would be signed.

The vessel was subsequently sold to French Owners and the Bordeaux Surveyors on the 16th. October last, stated they had been informed that she was requisitioned by the French Government the day after arriving in France.

The same Surveyors now state the vessel is still in the service of the French Government, and is at present at Salonica.

It is submitted action might be deferred for a short time.

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