

S. S. "NEW BRUNSWICK"

Plans were approved in this Office on the 19th instant for new palm oil tanks which are proposed to be fitted in this Steamer.

The plating on the crown of these tanks was required to be .44" in thickness, as required by the Rules.

A letter has now been received from the Owners stating that, through an oversight, these plates are now on rail for delivery at the Yard of the Middle Docks & Engineering Company, Ltd., who are carrying out the work, the thickness being .40" as proposed by the Owners.

It is submitted that in the circumstances these plates might be allowed to be fitted .40" in thickness as already made, provided they be stiffened by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3" x .40" angles, or equivalent, arranged in a fore and aft direction between the beams, and spaced about 3'-0" apart underneath the main cargo hatchway, and 4'-0" apart elsewhere. These angle stiffeners need not be connected to the beams, and the standing flanges may be sniped at the ends.

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