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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Port Georgetown, Demerara.

12th. January 1942.



This is to Certify that

Thomas Porter.

the undersigned Surveyor to this Society did at the request of Booker Bros. McConnell & Co. Ltd. (Lloyd's Agents) proceed on board the S.S. "Predsednik Kopajtic" of Split, Yugo-Slavia, to Survey damage following a collision near Elizabeth, on the Demerara River,

This vessel was proceeding up river to Mackenzie City, on 7th. January 1942 and at 7-30 P.M., during the hours of darkness, when near Elizabeth, is stated to have come into collision with Barge No 1 belonging to the Elmshurst Contracting Co. Ltd., which was being towed by Tug No. 18, belonging to the United States Engineering Department. The vessel is stated to have struck the barge a glancing blow and in an attempt to avoid the collision, struck the bank of the river with the Port side of the vessel. After this accident the vessel returned to Georgetown for repair and examination.

On examination I found that the stem had been damaged from the 13 Ft. mark down to the 5 Ft. mark, set in 3 Ins. in way of the 9 Ft. 6 Ins. mark and twisted to Port 12 Ins. The scarf which is at the 13 Ft. mark had opened for 1 Ins. and several rivets were out. 8 shell plates were found to be damaged. Inside 4 frames were found to be damaged. The vessel was examined internally and the tanks sounded but no further damage could be found.

I recommended that bolts be fitted where the rivets were out, and the open seams, bolts and rivets electrically welded. Four spaces in the Fore Peak partitioned off with heavy timber and filled in with cement.

All these recommendations were carried out and I am now of opinion that this vessel is fit to proceed on her voyage but recommend that the vessel be dry-docked at the Owners earliest convenience for examination and repairs.

Thomas Porter

Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Fee. \$ 50.00

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