

M/V "HELLESUND".

No. 25888 in the Register Book. Donkey Boiler by Messrs.
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This case was dealt with in the Secretary's letter of the 13th June last.

The Oslo Surveyors stated in their letter of the 19th ultimo that as the construction of the donkey boiler was well advanced at the time of their first visit, it was not possible to take check tests from the material which had been tested by the Germanischer Lloyd Surveyors, or heat treat the cylindrical shell, both of these requirements being conditions of acceptance of this boiler as stated in the Secretary's letter mentioned above.

In reply to an enquiry the Oslo Surveyors now state that their first visit to the boiler makers' works was on the 16th August, fully two months after the receipt of the Secretary's letter containing the requirements relating to the acceptance of the boiler.

It is submitted the Oslo Surveyors be informed it is noted that on the occasion of their first visit to the makers' works, the 16th August, the construction of the donkey boiler was too far advanced to enable check tests to be carried out on the material and the heat treatment of the cylindrical shell as required in the Secretary's letter of the 13th June last, and in the circumstances it is regretted that this boiler cannot be accepted.

The Surveyors should also be informed it is not understood why an interval of fully two months was allowed to elapse between the receipt of the letter of approval relating to the conditions of acceptance of this boiler and the first visit of the Surveyors for the purpose of seeing the boiler during construction. It is, of course, a responsibility of the makers to give notice to the Surveyors regarding the various stages of construction, but this responsibility is also shared by the Surveyors, particularly in cases such as the present,

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in the same manner

where special conditions exist, and the failure of the Surveyors) to give earlier attention to the matter is considered to be most unfortunate.

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