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Plan (in duplicate) prepared by Messrs. Ramage & Ferguson and submitted through the Leith Surveyors, shewing a proposal to convert the vessel for carrying whale oil in bulk.

A request for information on the subject of conversion was received from Messrs. Ramage & Ferguson through the Glasgow Surveyors, and an endorsement dated 2.9.22 was prepared on the subject.

The plan shews there are seven oil compartments below the main deck divided by a middle line bulkhead. The lengths of the tanks, commencing from the fore end, are 32'6", 41'2", 43'4", 30'4" (original deep tank), 34'8", 30'4", and 60'8".

The last-named tank is situated immediately forward of the after peak bulkhead, and it is considered in view of the narrowing form of the vessel at its after end this tank might be accepted of the length proposed provided it be divided by a transverse wash plate bulkhead, and the stiffening of the existing end watertight bulkheads be found satisfactory. The wash plate bulkhead has now been indicated on the plan.

IT IS SUBMITTED a copy of the information to be forwarded to Glasgow be sent to the Leith Surveyors for their guidance, and that provided the arrangements as shewn and amended on the plan be carried out to their satisfaction, the proposals of Messrs. Ramage & Ferguson might be approved.

The Surveyors should satisfy themselves as to the condition of the existing parts of the structure which will form the boundaries of the oil compartments.

Upon receipt of a satisfactory report on completion of the alterations the vessel would be eligible for the notation "Carrying whale oil in bulk".

A copy of the plan should be retained in this Office.

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