

20th June, 1941.

Dear Sirs

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I have to acquaint you that a report has been received from the Cardiff Surveyors on the steamer "EMPIRE WARRIOR", in which they state that the vessel has been examined in drydock, and the bottom plating found indented and somewhat set up in way of forward keel and A, B, C and D strakes (starboard side), and the riveting started. The vessel was in loaded condition, and an internal examination was not possible, but the Surveyors state that the internal structure in Nos. 1, 2 and 3 double bottom tanks is likely to be affected. The riveting and caulking have been overhauled and on completion of these temporary repairs soundings were taken and found satisfactory.

In the Surveyors' opinion the vessel is fit to proceed to Portugal in her present loaded condition, and they recommend that the double bottom tanks, other than No.2 port side and those under machinery spaces, should not be used pending internal examination and test after discharge of the present cargo.

In the circumstances I shall be glad if you will give the case the necessary attention in the event of the vessel's arrival in your district.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

The Surveyors,
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