

Appledore, Devon
July 22/1904
Messrs. Sutherland & Co.
Dear Sirs

With reference to our recommendation on the 15th inst. relating to your B.E. Mydick's viz. to unscrew the whole of the frames in the hold from the hold beam stronger to the cement for the removal of oxidation between the frame and shell which was causing the heads of frame rivets to come off and you agreeing to unscrew a portion for further examination before deciding to carry out the above recommendation.

We beg to inform you that today we have examined the frames that you have unscrewed and find that there is a body of rust between the shell and frame plating more especially at the after end of vessel. We see no reason why we should alter our previous decision, at the same time we will not ask any frames to be unscrewed

if you can show that the flange is bearing close home to the plating and undoubtedly showing no signs of rust at the back. When the frames are unscrewed the oxidation is to be thoroughly removed from the shell and flange of frame. New liners fitted if found to be reduced so as not to be of a good fit, the part at back of frames to be recoated and the frames to be closely riveted to shell liners.

In addition to these recommendations we also recommend that a badly indented shell plate in flat of bottom on Starboard side just before amidships be renewed or taken off, faired & put back. Two plates in Sheerstrake and two in strake below on port side in way of fore-castle to be renewed on account of being wasted at edges of frame the reverse frame at this part to be also part renewed. The lower side stringer in fore peak to be part renewed and two additional

beams fitted at this part and the
breast-keels to be riveted. The hold
beam stronger to be riveted at places
in hold. The hold beams in way of—
after hatch way to have new top angles.

The upper deck to be renewed
in way of after deck house. The main
mast to be taken out and lower part
to be renewed. The lower part of—
Foremast to be drilled to ascertain
thickness and to be repaired if found
thin. The upper part of Rudder plating
also requires doubling or renewing—

As far as we have now seen
these recommendations are imperative
for us to be able to recommend the
Committee to be able to retain her class
in the Register book—

We are Sir
Yours faithfully
Signed, J. Stand
" " G. Walcott



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