

Copy of Captain G. S. Thompson's Report.

2 JAN 93.

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Surveyor,
at the urgent request of Captain Atkinson, in the absence of Mr. —
McKellar, Surveyor to Lloyds Register, who was engaged on a survey on
board the s.s. "New Guinea", and was not available in time, this
morning proceeded on board the ship "Esborne", lying at Garden Reach,
to hold a survey on damages said to have been done to that vessel -
when hauling out of the new wet Docks at Kidderpore, about 2 P.M.
yesterday, when her Stern fouled the Centre Pier of the Garden Reach
Road Swinging Bridge - Having read the ship's Log Book and made
a careful survey over the damages I report as follows:-

On the upper landing of the 5th strake of plating from the
gunwale, Port side, the forward end of the first and after end of the
second plates from the sternpost, just in the way of the butt is slightly
started and the seam opened in the way of the butt, about $\frac{1}{16}$ of an
inch, or just wide enough for the test knife to enter, to nothing
about 9" on either side of the butt, the butt is in order and also
all the rivets in that part. Just above the butt the next plate
above is slightly dented about $\frac{1}{8}$ ", but otherwise uninjured, the
damage is trifling and was temporarily repaired in my presence
by caulking the seam and covering it with Scott's Cement. I
sounded the pumps and found no water in them.

The "Esborne" is now tight staunch and strong, fit to
proceed on her voyage.

Calcutta
The 8th December 1892

of G. S. Thompson
Authorized Surveyor