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VESSEL'S NAME

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For the CHIEF SHIP SURVEYOR and CHIEF ENGINEER SURVEYOR.

(In cases which have to be submitted to the Classing Committee "the endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

Nature of Survey

3rd ssks

When due

8.08

The 3rd.S.S.No.2 became due in August 1908, and a proposal to hold it within the year of grace was agreed to by the Committee in August 1908.

Action was deferred in January 1909, as the Copenhagen Surveyors recommended that a number of indented plates should either be renewed or faired on the vessel's return from her contemplated voyage to Australia.

The case was before the Committee on the 14th December last, when in view of the vessel being laid up at St.Nazaire, the late Owner furnished the usual undertaking.

The case was again before the Committee on the 24th December, when the late Owner was informed that the Committee were unable to agree to his request to postpone the Special Survey until the conclusion of a short voyage, either from France to England, or to another port in Europe.

The Genoa Surveyors having recently forwarded a letter from Mr.Adolfo Magano, stating that he had recently purchased this vessel and requesting the Committee to allow him to bring her from St.Nazaire to Genoa, where he proposed to carry out the requirements of the S.S.No.2, the case again received the consideration of the Committee on the 15th instant, when the Owner's proposal was agreed to, subject to the vessel proceeding direct

from St.Nazaire to Genoa in ballast, and being immediately submitted to Special Survey upon her arrival.

A reply has now been received from the Owner, in which he states "I thank you very much for your concession, but cannot accept to send the vessel direct to Genoa in ballast. "To obviate serious loss, it is necessary to take a cargo in the North of France or the English Channel, in order to pay for the expenses to bring the vessel home. You will understand that if the vessel goes to Genoa in ballast, the expense will be very high and would cause me considerable loss. Rather than do that, I would be ready to have a superficial survey held at St.Nazaire in order to obtain a certificate of seaworthiness until the vessel arrives at Genoa; and as soon as she gets there, I will see that everything required is carried out. I think that such a survey ought to be granted to me, if I am willing to pay the fee necessary, and the vessel should be allowed to retain her class in the Register Book".

The case is therefore submitted for the consideration of the Committee.

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