

The Deputy Chairman telephoned to say that he was advising Messrs. Morice, Toser, & Beek, Agents for the new Owners of the two Waterman Line Steamers "FAIRISLE" and "FAIRPORT" to have these vessels re-classed with this Society on transfer to British Registry when they arrived in this country.

These vessels were recently surveyed by Mr. A.W. Murray, the Society's Non-exclusive Surveyor at New Orleans, for the new Owners, with a view to purchase.

Mr. Murray of course carried out these inspections in his private capacity, seeing that the Committee do not authorise the Society's Surveyors to act in such capacity, but Mr. Jacobs suggested that in view of the meticulous examination carried out by Mr. Murray on that occasion, it might be that the Committee would accept some part of his survey for re-classification.

He asked what fee was likely to be charged for the re-classification, and on the basis of one and a half to twice the amount of the Second No.3 fee on hull and machinery, I told him this was likely, if carried out in this country, to be in the region of £60 per vessel.

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