

LEITH.

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the Ministry of Shipping attend on board the S.S. "Spee", 1128 tons gross, No. 72798 in the Register Book, while lying afloat and in the Alexandra Dry Dock at Leith on the 11th October, 1920, and subsequent dates, for the purpose of ascertaining the general condition of the hull and machinery previous to the vessel being taken over by the Ministry of Shipping.

The survey was held in conjunction with the Managers' representatives.

Ship's papers not produced.

Vessel fitted with ceiling and cargo battens throughout.

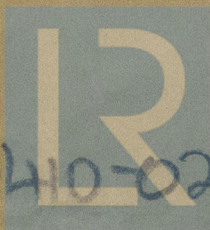
Bilges and tanks not opened up.

How done:- Vessel dry docked and the bottom and rudder examined.

Holds, 'tween decks, peaks, bunkers (lower bunkers partly full of coal), engine and boiler spaces, tank top under boilers, decks, beams, frames, casings, hatch coamings and covers, ventilators and coamings, windlass, steering gear and connections, masts and rigging (from deck) examined. Anchors and general equipment examined as far as practicable.

Found:- Bottom and rudder in good condition. Following indentations etc. noted:-

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Starboard. Plates # 4 and # 5 slightly indented.

Bilge keel set down at fore end.

Port. Bilge keel buckled more or less full length. (This was
fairly bent while in dry dock).

No. 1 hold. Ceiling worn and rotten under hatches, and the wood
covers over tank manhole badly worn. Few cargo battens missing.

Sounding pipe casing between nos. 1 and 2 hatches broken.

Pillar after end No. 1 hatch bent.

Pillar middle No. 2 hatch, starboard side, missing.

Pillar after end No. 2 hatch, port side, missing.

Pillar after end No. 2 hatch, starboard side, bent.

Pillar middle No. 2 hatch, port side bent.

2 pillars after end No. 2 hatch forming sides of ladder badly bent,
and rungs of ladder bent and broken.

No. 2 'tween decks. Hatch covers for 'tween deck hatch found lying in
the 'tween decks.

Pillar middle of hatch, starboard side, bent.

Pillar after end of hatch, starboard side, bent.

Pillar middle of hatch, port side, bent.

No. 3 hold (aft). Ceiling in fair condition. Few cargo battens
missing. Ventilator to tunnel at after end of hold, starboard side,
badly crushed. Several indentations in tunnel top. One pillar each
side lying in bottom of hold, apparently not used for some time.

Bunkers in good condition as far as could be seen.

Tank top under boilers in good condition.

Hinged covers on top of riddle casing each side abreast funnel
badly corroded.

Hatch covers. A few broken.

Terpaulins in poor condition.

Windlass. One pair of hand gear missing on port side, otherwise in
good condition as far as could be seen.

Deck pipes. covers missing.

Side ports. Rubber perished in several cases, and ports require overha

Pressing ports generally rust bound, and wing bolts missing from some.

Rigging in fair condition.

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Hand steering gear in rusty condition.

Deck pumps. Two found lying in after peak in rusty condition.

Except as referred to above, the vessel appears to be in good condition throughout as far as seen.

Machinery:-

The following parts of the main engine examined in closed condition cylinders and slide valve casing, piston connecting rods and slide valve rods, and chambers, crank thrust knuckles, connecting rods, filter, evaporator, air circulating pump, and bilge pump chambers, engine room pump, and bilge pump, steering and dynamo engine examined in closed condition.

No parts of the main or auxiliary engine were found up at this time.

Boilers.

The main boiler (2) and auxiliary boiler (2) examined in closed condition. The furnace and boiler were examined in closed condition. The boiler was found to be in good condition. There is no boiler fitted.

Found the boiler efficiently patched at flange. The boiler was found to be in good condition. The boiler was found to be in good condition. The boiler was found to be in good condition.

Except as above stated the vessel's machinery appears to be in good condition.

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