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A letter has been received from the Bangkok Surveyor enclosing reports from the Master and Engineers regarding the explosion of the upper starting air receiver which occurred at sea on the 9th instant.

The explosion killed an engine-room attendant and the vessel was so badly damaged that she subsequently sank.

The air receiver in question was of welded construction (water gas welding) and was last inspected by ^{for the Society} Mr. W.M. Cochrane, acting Surveyor at Bangkok, in July, 1936.

According to the report of that ^{Survey} the air receiver was examined "internally and externally with mountings" and found in "first class working order".

From the log extracts which accompany the Surveyor's letter it appears that one end of the receiver was blown off and that the pressure shortly before the occurrence was the approved working pressure, viz:- 25 Kgs.

In the absence of further information there is nothing to indicate the cause of the explosion.

It is submitted the Bangkok Surveyor be requested to forward to this Office any further information which may become available.

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