

M.V. "PIONER"

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The case of this vessel is fully stated in endorsement dated 30th ultimo on consideration of which by the Committee, the Oslo Surveyors were informed that no objection would be taken to the vessel's class remaining undisturbed and an Interim Certificate being issued for the proposed voyage in ballast and in tow, provided the vessel be examined in dry dock, any necessary repairs effected and she be found or placed in good and efficient condition for the voyage. The donkey boiler survey should also be held and any pumps which may be required during the voyage examined and tested under working conditions.

The Oslo Surveyors now write quoting from a letter which they have received from the Owners' Superintendent.

The vessel has been sold for towing from Oslo to Holland or Belgium and, as far as is known, it is intended to break the vessel up on arrival at her destination.

Reference is made to the drydocking of the vessel in March, 1936.

An application is made for a certificate so that the vessel may maintain her class until her arrival in Holland or Belgium without docking.

A reply by cable is requested.

It will be noted that the last examination in dry dock ^{was} more than 2½ years ago; and that this examination was for the purpose of making out a specification of repairs only, when, in addition to a large number of indented plates which were noted, a number of cargo tanks were also stated to be leaking.

It is submitted that the requirements as to drydocking should, in all the circumstances, be maintained, and the Oslo Surveyors informed accordingly.

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