

s.s. "ELSA MENZELL", No.20080 in R.B.

This vessel is one of the N.1 class, built in 1921 by the Kinghorn Shipbuilding Co.

The back post of the sternframe is reported by the Hamburg Surveyors to have fractured through the scarp immediately below the cruiser stern, and ^{they} have forwarded alternative proposals shewing:-

1. An arrangement in which the upper part of the sternframe is to be renewed, from the old scarp to about 6' above the centre of the boss where a new scarp is to be provided, and
2. by making a new scarp at the lower part of the arch and renewing only the portion between this scarp and the existing scarp in the back post.

In the latter arrangement the scarps would only be about 39" apart, and it is considered would not provide a satisfactory arrangement.

The first proposal, could however, be recommended for approval, provided the plate straps in way of the scarp be fitted in one piece and carried completely around the post.

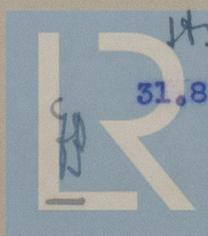
It is therefore submitted the Surveyors be informed that the scantlings and arrangements as shewn and amended on the plan forwarded with their letter of the 26th instant could be approved, ~~provided~~ they be carried out to their satisfaction.

The alternative arrangement submitted with their letter of the 28th instant is not considered satisfactory and cannot therefore be approved.

The Surveyors should also be informed by wire as follows:-

"Proposal submitted 26th instant approved ^{with slight amendments.} provided plate straps on new scarp fitted in one piece completely around post Rivets in scarp $1\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter. Proposal submitted 28th not approved.

26, 28/8/31
and (Del. etc) 21/8/31
plans
2 retained.



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