

S.S. "ABERCRAIG"

The Third Special Survey No.2 became due on this July, 1935, and after examination in dry dock in last, a proposal to carry out the survey within the grace was agreed to by the Committee.

From a return which was received from the Falmouth recently it appears that the vessel was under survey at the end of July and on the 17th instant the Society's wrote that the Owners were still undecided as to whether to carry out the survey, and they informed the Surveyors that endeavouring to dispose of the vessel as she then stood.

It was assumed from this that the vessel was still Hayle, where the survey had been commenced, but it from the Shipping Papers that <sup>she</sup> ~~the vessel~~ had left Hayle 8th instant and arrived at Newport on the 19th.

The case was before the Classing Committee on the 21st when it was decided that a special letter should be addressed Owners pointing out that the year of grace had been exceeded, unless arrangements were made for the survey to be carried out further delay, the class would have to be dealt with.

In the meantime a report from the Falmouth Surveyors survey held by them in July had come to hand, from which it appeared that part of the survey had been held, and from the information, so far as held, which had been made, the Surveyors advised that repairs to a number of frames, reverse frames, beams, plates and shell plates would be required.

The Owners, in reply to the letter which was addressed on the 21st instant, stated that they were expecting a moment to complete the sale of the vessel, and that the prospective purchasers would deal with the survey immediately.

It was ascertained, on receipt of this letter, that the vessel was then at Bristol, and the Owners were informed that



arrangements were made at once for the survey to  
at that port, the Committee would have no alternative but  
instructions for the vessel's class to be expunged  
ed Line.

In acknowledging this letter on the 26th instant the  
state that they did not realise that so serious a view  
taken of the matter, and a personal call was made at this  
yesterday by Mr. Chamberlain, a Director of the Company, who  
d that as they had no Superintendent they did not realise  
tion and he himself had not made himself conversant  
Society's Rules in this respect.

He pointed out that this was the first time that they  
applied for the year of grace in connexion with one  
vessels and that the surveys of their ships had been  
and soon after they were due.

In expressing his regret as to the circumstances he  
that the sale was being completed yesterday and that he was  
ing to the Brokers for the necessary documents to be  
by the Buyers, Messrs. Sea & Land Securities, Ltd., (Mr. A.H.

A letter has since been received from the new Owners  
re that the late Owners have explained to them the position  
ds classification and the new Owners give their assurance  
vessel will not proceed to Sea while under their ownership,  
the event of selling to trade they undertake to advise any  
chasers of the survey position.

In the meantime the vessel is now waiting in St. Ives  
sufficient water to proceed up the River to Hayle and the  
ers state that failing a laying up berth at Hayle being  
e they propose to take the vessel round to Falmouth  
ely to lay up, or a laying up port in the vicinity.

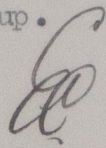
It may be added that the vessel, under the late ownership,  
been trading between Hayle and the Bristol Channel.

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In the circumstances it is submitted for consideration  
the new Owners furnish the usual letter of undertaking,  
s class might be allowed to remain undisturbed in the  
book, whilst she continues to be laid up.



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