

s.s. "WHITEGATE"

A Special Survey No.3, after an early No.3, became due 11,32, and the vessel has been laid up in the Tyne under the undertaking. The ship was last examined in drydock in October, 1930.

Information was recently received that the vessel had been sold to Messrs. Van Heyghen Freres, of Ghent, for breaking up purposes, and the Committee have accordingly given instructions for the class to be cancelled and the notation "To be broken up" to be posted in the Register Book.

A letter has now been received from the Newcastle Surveyors stating that the Agents for Messrs. Van Heyghen Freres have requested that a certificate of seaworthiness, and loadline certificate, might be issued by this Society for the voyage from the Tyne to Ghent. It is understood that she will be towed in the light condition, without steam on board, and that hand steering only will be available.

It is submitted that as the vessel is not now classed with this Society, the Surveyors should not be authorised to issue the certificates desired.

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