



Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

55, Fawcett Street,

Sunderland, 9th March, 1938.



Reference

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter "M" of the 7th instant regarding the S.S. "TAYLOR", I have to say that at the survey in December, 1936 I examined this vessel on Crown's Slipway and I noted in my Journal on 23rd December, 1936 "Prop. and outside fastenings in order. Wear down 1/4" ".

The outside fastenings mentioned were those of the propeller, stern tube and stern bush and of the sea valves and cocks. The survey of these items was confined to the usual external examination and I have no note (or recollection) of any defects in, nor of any repairs being effected to, the parts mentioned.

I again examined the vessel on Crown's Slipway on the 13th, 14th and 16th of April, 1937. On the 14th, I noted in my Journal "Outside fastenings in order". This survey was also confined to an external examination of the fastenings and again I have no note (or recollection) of any defects in, nor repairs being effected to, the sea valves or cocks.

On this occasion the propeller was found to have two blades broken off. I made the following entries

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in my Journal:-

Tues. 13th. "2 Blades off propeller: Same to be renewed and Shaft gauged for truth."

Wed. 14th. "T.S. tried in posn. and appeared out of (3 visits) truth. Checked in lathe and found true, wear in way of packing being uneven. Bush to be rewooded".

and on the 16th. "new propeller fitted".

After each survey I stated to the Committee in my Report that "the machinery of this vessel, as now seen, is in an efficient condition and eligible, in my opinion, to remain as classed", adding, in December 1936, "without fresh record" and in April, 1937 "with fresh Record of C.L. 4,37" (indicating that the screw shaft was fitted with a continuous brass liner and had been examined and found in order).

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

L.R. Horne

The Secretary,

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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyer.

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Understood and

Very respectfully

I am, Sir,

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed extension of the term of office of the Chief Ship Surveyer, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours very truly,
J. H. [Signature]

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