

s.s. "KARL LEONHARDT"

Special

The 2nd S.S.No.2, due 10,33, has been partly held.

The case is fully stated in endorsement dated 10.5.34.

In March last the New York Surveyors reported this vessel examined in dry dock on account of extensive damage due to heavy weather, but no repairs were carried out, and the Surveyors recommended the vessel eligible to remain as classed subject to permanent repairs being effected.

The case received the consideration of the American Committee on the 25th April, when action was deferred.

The Surveyors stated in their report that the vessel was wasted to such an extent as to render her unfit to carry cargo until all defective parts were renewed.

It was assumed in this Office that the vessel would not proceed to sea until steps had been taken to give effect to the Surveyors' recommendation, but Mr. French was asked to confirm this.

In reply the New York Office state that in deferring action the American Committee were guided by the fact that the vessel is laid up, and that the question of carrying out repairs and Special Survey was then being considered by the Owners, but they state that it is definitely understood that the vessel will not proceed to sea until steps have been taken to give effect to the recommendations of the Surveyors. (They state that there are prospects of the vessel being purchased and repaired by the Pennsylvania Shipping Co., who have been in communication with the Surveyors regarding the repairs and Special Survey necessary to retain the classification).

The Surveyors add that the vessel is still laid up, and they will cable this Office in the event of the vessel being moved without the requirements being carried out.

It is submitted action be deferred.

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