

s.s. ESSEX ABBEY"

The 2nd S.S.No.3 became due 12,31. The vessel is laid up at Fowey and the usual undertaking has been furnished.

In reply to the Secretary's letter of the 16th instant informing the Owners that a general examination will require to be held to entitle the vessel's class to remain undisturbed while laid up, they state that the vessel has been sold to Germany for breaking up. One of the conditions of the sale is that the Owners supply a seaworthy certificate for towage purposes only, and they request that this certificate might be issued by this Society.

It is submitted that provided the vessel be generally examined in accordance with the requirements of Circular No.1605 a certificate might be issued to enable her to be towed to Germany for breaking up.

The Falmouth Surveyors should be advised.

It is concluded that the steam steering will be used. in which case one boiler require to be generally examined, together the steering engine and windlass.

The pumps and bilge pumping arrangements d also be examined.

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