

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. On 15th instant it was pointed out to the Owners that as the Special Survey was two years overdue, a general examination would require to be held.

A letter has now been received from the Owners referring to the undertaking furnished, and stating that as there does not appear to be any chance of her being put into commission yet awhile they cannot see the object of a general examination being held at this stage.

They add :- "Is the idea that your Surveyors are endeavouring to find a job to justify their existence during these bad times?"

It is submitted the Owners be informed that a general examination is required for the purpose of seeing if a vessel is in a fit condition to retain her class while laid up, and in view of the fact that over two years have elapsed since the 2nd S.S.No.3 became due they might be asked to state what arrangements they propose to make for this examination to be held.

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*inform owners that*  
*General examination*  
*must be made for this*  
*or vessel will lose her*  
*class* *SP*

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