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Received by Chief Ship Surveyor 12-5-14

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VESSEL'S NAME Steel S.S. "Lapton"

Rpt. Nwc.

No. 69849.

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/02.)

Nature of Survey Completion of 1st S.S. No. 3 AND DAMAGE. (see also Rpt. Nwc. 69482 & Bl. 4924).

Damage through collision & having loaded & discharged while aground.

now repaired as follows:-

	Plates	Frames	R. Frames	Floors	Beams	Str. Plates	Dk. Plates
Renewed	-	-	-			-	
Removed and faired or repaired.....	4	-	-			-	
Faired or repaired in place.....	3	5	3			2	

Other items:- Vessel examined in dry dock, minor repairs effected.

Damage to keel & shell plating, frames, floors & tank brackets in way of nos. 2, 3, 4 & 5 tanks, has been sustained while loading & discharging aground, but, as the dry dock was not available for a sufficient length of time to permit of permanent repairs, temporary repairs have now been effected and in the Surveyors' opinion permanent repairs may be effected at the first convenient opportunity.

The 1st S.S. No. 3 has also been ~~held~~ and following repairs done

due to wear and tear:- Deck plating, after peak bulkhead stiffeners, casings and bunker hatch Coamings renewed or repaired as necessary. minor repairs effected. It was not considered necessary to drill the shell plating.

It is submitted the vessel is worthy to remain classed, with record of Survey 5-14 and notation of S.S. Sh. no. 3 being deferred until as recommended, permanent repairs have been effected as recommended.

