

## Steamers "SUBOATCO" and "SUCARSECO"

The 1st S.S. No. 2 on these vessels became due in June 1928, and on expiration of the year of grace the New York Surveyors stated in reply to enquiry that they were laid up indefinitely. The usual undertaking was furnished by the Owners.

On the 1st ult. the New York Surveyors were again communicated with and informed that, as both vessels appeared to be still laid up, with no immediate prospect of being again employed, the Committee did not see how they could agree to the classification being retained in the Register Book indefinitely. They were willing, however, to allow the classes to remain undisturbed for a further period of twelve months, provided a general examination were held and the vessels found to be in good condition. Such examinations would be required to be held annually, while the vessels were still laid up, until the next Special Survey became due, when this would require to be carried out if the classes were to be continued.

They were also informed of the other vessels of their fleet which were overdue for Special Survey, and the dates on which general examinations would require to be held on these ships.

A letter has now been received from New York, enclosing one from the Receivers for the Owners (referring apparently to all the vessels of this fleet) in which they request that the matter might be left in abeyance until they have investigated the Owners' affairs and reached a decision regarding the possible operation or sale of these ships.

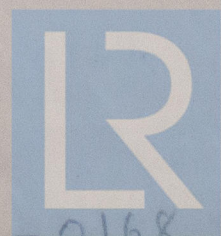
It is submitted for consideration whether the Receivers' request might not be acceded to, and the question of the general examination to be held on all vessels belonging to this fleet, which are overdue for Special Survey,



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might be deferred for a period of say three months.

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