

S. "Witiaz" no 77447 in Reg. Bk.

has been received from the Belfast Surveyors, in duplicate, shewing a proposal to fit the ship's sides in the 'tween decks, and also fit an additional lower deck in the holds, for the stowage of fruit or light cargo.

have been discussed in this Office with Mr. Messrs Workman Clark & Co., who are to alterations.

that provided the cargo doors be constructed as plans, the same will merit approval.

from Mr. Shott that the alterations are to be under the superintendence of Mr. Maxton of Belfast, the lower deck in the holds is to be constructed across amidships, fitted at alternate frames, the beams being reduced towards the ends decreases. Wood planks, both and space, are to be laid on the beams, considerably less than would be required for an deck, but if they are designed to carry a fruit cargo at 125 cubic feet to the ton, the stowage, unassociated with deck plating, fitted at intervals of $6 \times 3 \times 3 \times 34$ web, and 475 flange, centre line, and in way of the hatchways, and fitted to the side framing by beam knees, would be the square inch, which is not considered to be a disadvantage.

submitted The Belfast Surveyors he requested to inform the ship's Co., and the Owners representatives, that if an cargo that none but fruit cargo, or other light cargo, be carried on the new lower deck in the holds, they will not take exception to the beams being fitted of the same size, at alternate frames, provided they be adequately fitted to the line, and in way of the hatchways, connected to the beam knees, and kept in place by stringers and tie plates. It is to be recorded in the Register Book.

take no notice H.H.

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