

Ex-German Steamer "TOTMES" ex "ST. ALBAN'S ABBEY".

A survey was held on this vessel at Newcastle in February last, when a six-monthly certificate was issued, and a record of "Nwc. 2, 21" with footnote assigned.

A letter has now been received from the Amsterdam Surveyors, enclosing one from the charterers of the vessel, who state that, in connexion with the last survey, they would like if possible a certificate for four years, but if this cannot be granted they would like a certificate for another six months, as the vessel is not due back to Rotterdam until about the end of September next.

It is submitted that the Amsterdam Surveyors should be informed that it would not be possible to issue a Certificate for four years unless the survey for classification is held, and the vessel favourably reported upon.

They might further be informed that the six-monthly certificate at present in force does not expire until the end of August, and as it would appear from the Charterers' letter that it is their intention to have the survey for classification held on the vessel's arrival at Rotterdam, it is submitted for the consideration of the Committee whether the six-monthly certificate issued by the Newcastle Surveyors in February last might be extended until the end of September.

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