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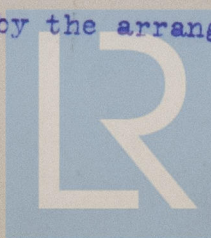
Steel Screw Steamer No.27 proposed to be built by The Forth
Shipbuilding & Engineering Co. Ltd. with a view to class 100A1.

Rule Dimensions: 305 x 42.5 x 23.75.

The vessel is of a length to require five watertight
heads to be fitted. The plans were approved by the
General Committee for the sister ship No.26 on the 28th
November last, when a proposal to dispense with the intermediate
head in the fore hold was placed before them, and it was
decided that the special survey of the vessel during construction
to be proceeded with but that before she was finally classed
in the Register Book it would be necessary for a letter to be
received from the owners requesting the omission of the bulkhead
question and assigning a reason for such omission in the terms
of the Committee's Circular No. 1238.

A letter has now been received from the Leith Surveyors
stating that they are informed by the Builders that they are in
the same position as regards ownership of the vessel as in the
case of the S.S. No.26, in which case the Builders stated that
they were the owners of the vessel and so far as was known
at that time would run her after completion, and as the ship
was primarily to be used as a cargo boat in which long lengths
of timber and rails would necessarily be carried, the fitting
of the intermediate bulkhead in the fore hold would entirely
defeat the purpose for which the boat was being built, and as
the position of the vessel and not as the Builders they requested the
Committee to waive the question of fitting such bulkhead.

Suitable structural compensation for the omission of
the bulkhead has been provided by the arrangement of additional
transverse frames.



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It is submitted that when the vessel is classed a notation will be made in the Register Book as follows:-

"Intermediate bulkhead in forward hold dispensed with:
"4 bulkheads only".

The Builders should be informed that if the vessel be sold during or on completion it will be necessary for a letter to be forwarded from the new owners desiring the omission of the bulkhead ~~and stating the reason for such omission in~~ terms of the Committee's Circular No. 1238, as in the case of their steamer No. 26.

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General Committee
Thursday, 16th November, 1916.

Submission approved

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