

S.S. "BILSWOOD", Yard No.501. Ropner & Sons.

A letter has been received from the Builders in which they state that they regret that three stockless anchors have come in light on the collective weight.

They add they have done their best with the maker to have a fresh anchor sent to bring the weight up to the Rules and they have also tried other makers for a suitable anchor, but owing to the exceptionally heavy pressure upon anchor and cable makers all over the country, caused through Admiralty orders, it is quite impossible at the moment to get another anchor of the required weight or approaching it.

They are sorry the difference has only been discovered at the last moment and can only rely upon the Committee giving the matter their liberal consideration in the circumstances, and they ask for a reply by wire first thing today and they hope the Committee will help them out of the difficulty which will be very much appreciated.

It is submitted in view of the slight deficiency in the collective weight, namely, 1qr. 7 lb. the anchors might be accepted, and the Builders informed accordingly.

FRI. JUN. 18. 1915

Approved.

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18-6-15.

The weight of the anchors supplied and as required by the Rules are as follows, viz:-

| Supplied |     |      | Rule |     |      |
|----------|-----|------|------|-----|------|
| cwt.     | qr. | lbs. | cwt. | qr. | lbs. |
| 49.      | 0.  | 21.  | 48.  | 3.  | 0.   |
| 47.      | 2.  | 14.  | 48.  | 3.  | 0.   |
| 41.      | 3.  | 14.  | 41.  | 2.  | 0.   |
| 138.     | 2.  | 21.  | 139. | 0.  | 0.   |

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