

FREDERICK HORACE TICKELL, A.M.I.E.E., will say:-

I am an Electrical Engineer Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping, with whom I have been since October, 1944.

In November, 1946, I was informed by my Engineer Colleague, Mr. Sellex, that a survey of the electrical installation of the motor vessel "FAMAGUSTA" would be required for classification purposes. The electrical equipment of the vessel was understood to have been installed in accordance with Admiralty Plans and Specifications.

On the 21st November, 1946, I visited the yard of the New Medway Steam Packet Company at Rochester and carried out the electrical survey of the vessel and made the necessary recommendations for compliance with the Society's Rules for Electrical Equipment.

These recommendations included certain re-wiring to be carried out in the accommodation and on the bridge necessitated by structural alterations in progress. In addition minor repairs were to be carried out. In the case of the main generators, insulation tests indicated that the insulation resistance of No. 2 generator was below Rule requirements and accordingly this machine was recommended for overhaul. An alternative supply for the navigation lights was also recommended in order to comply with the requirements of the Rules.

On the 20th December 1946 I was present when running trials were made and I was satisfied that all recommendations had been carried out and operated in my presence and the electrical equipment was to my satisfaction.

I refer to my report on electrical equipment for particulars of my survey.

I did not see the "FAMAGUSTA" after my visit on the 20th December, 1946.