

For Mr. Ward, Wokingham

M.V. "EMPIRE PRIDE"

Messrs. Barclay, Curle's No. 680

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Dimensions:- 465' x 64' x 37.25' to upper deck  
45.75' to bridge deck  
Load draught:- 25'5 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".  
Class:- 100A1 "With Freeboard"  
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Plans of this vessel were approved as a sister ship to the same Builders' No. 679, "EMPIRE TRUST". When the construction was well advanced it was decided to convert her into a troop ship involving a number of alterations including:-

- (1) The fitting of the intermediate tween deck watertight bulkhead omitted in No. 679.
- (2) The closing in of the well between the fore end of the bridge and the forecastle, side openings being fitted in way of this well. ✓
- (3) Fitting additional deckhouses. ✓
- (4) The draught was also reduced, with the result that the class, instead of being 100A1, was modified to 100A1 "With Freeboard". ✓

The equipment was not affected by the alterations. ✓

The new forecastle deck beams were approved  
8 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  x .42 B.A. instead of 8 x 3 x .50 B.A. as shewn on the plan. ✓

There are no other points in the correspondence affecting the First Entry.



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