

Ships No
Scythia
and Steamers "SCYTHIA" and "SAMARIA".

These vessels were built, the former by Messrs. [redacted] at Barrow, and the latter by Messrs. Cammell, Laird at Birkenhead. They are practically duplicate ships minimum geometric freeboard is the same in both

The freeboard assigned to the "SCYTHIA" is that depending to the Board of Trade subdivision loadline feet moulded, and there is therefore no endorsement freeboard certificate.

In the case of the "SAMARIA" the freeboard assigned minimum geometric freeboard, but as the Board of Trade division loadline was the same as that approved for the "SCYTHIA", the usual Board of Trade endorsement in respect of the Board of Trade division was entered on the margin of the freeboard certificates.

A letter has now been received from the Liverpool Office, in which it is stated the Owners' Superintendent has advised that the freeboard marking of the "SCYTHIA" should be amended to correspond to that of the "SAMARIA".

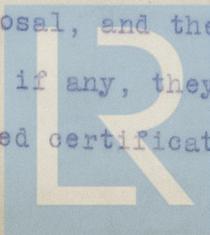
It is submitted the Liverpool Office be requested to advise the Owners that there is no objection to the freeboards of the "SCYTHIA" being amended to correspond to that assigned to the "SAMARIA", but as it will probably be necessary for original endorsement to be placed on the certificates it will be necessary for the matter to be referred to the Board of Trade, and they will be advised when the matter is decided.

It is further submitted the Board of Trade be advised regarding the Owners' proposal, and they should be requested to state what endorsement, if any, they require to be placed on the margin of the amended certificates.

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