

4 ENCLOSURES.

27th November, 1918.

Sir,

I am directed to send herewith Completion Certificate (in quadruplicate) forwarded to this Office by the Society's Surveyor at Dundee in respect of the "D" type Standard Ship "WAR DIRK" built by The Caledon Shipbuilding & Engineering Co. Ltd. (Yard No.260).

With regard thereto I have to inform you that the Managing Owners, Messrs. Workman, Arbuckle & Mackinnon, have accepted the vessel subject to the foremast being straightened and the specification carried out as regards the testing of the derricks. They state that the foremast bent when the specified test load of six tons was applied to one of the derricks, and that the main mast derricks were not tested.

The Society's Surveyor at Dundee states that it was not possible to carry out the derrick tests until the last moment, and that when the test load was applied to No.2 derrick the foremast gave slightly in way of the hinged position of derrick table, and under the circumstances the test was not proceeded with.

As it was absolutely necessary that the vessel should leave directly after the steam trial to load at Blyth, the vessel was taken over by the Managing Owners as stated.

It may be observed that most of the "D" type vessels have been completed, and no information has been received at this Office as to any failure occurring when the derricks were being tested.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Assistant to the Secretary

Controller General of
Merchant Shipbuilding,
Admiralty, S.W. 1.

Assistant to the Secretary

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