

S.S. "SEBASTAPOL", No.82621, in the Register Book.

This steamer was built in Canada in 1918 and is classed 100A1 - "Coasting, Newfoundland and Labrador".

A report has been received from the St. John's, Newfoundland, Surveyor, stating that in view of the special trade three additional hatchways have been fitted, one forward, 4 ft. x 6 ft., and two aft, 3 feet square, and that the hatch coamings have been cut down and are now only 9 inches in height above the deck.

In a few cases of vessels engaged in limited trades, such as Coasting in English and Irish waters, hatch coamings of reduced depth have been approved to suit service exigences, such as the cattle trade.

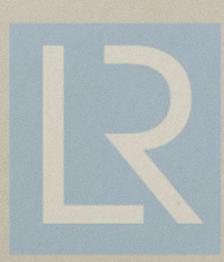
It is submitted the St. John's Surveyor might be requested to state from his local knowledge the particular reason for the Owners reducing the height of the coamings to 9 inches in this case, and if, to his knowledge, the arrangements now proposed are such as would not endanger the safety of the vessel, having in mind the service in which she is engaged and her limited class.

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