

"Venern" 9²

Steel Screw 4-Masted Steamer "CHLORIS"; No. 38424 in the Supplement to the Register Book; 1193 tons gross; Built in 1921. Class contemplated.

Owners:- J. & P. Hutchison Ltd.

This vessel was purchased in June last by Messrs. Hutchison, who desire to have her classed with this Society, as are all their other vessels.

The scantlings and arrangements shewn on the plans were examined and compared with the requirements of the Society's revised Rules, and were found to be such as to render the vessel eligible for classification subject to the requirements for vessels not built under survey being complied with, and to certain additional strengthening being fitted.

The vessel has now been surveyed in drydock at Liverpool, the Rule requirements complied with and the scantlings verified, but the Society's Surveyors recommend some additional strengthening at the bridge front, which the Owners' Representative agree to have carried out at the first opportunity. A pillar also requires to be fitted in the hold at the sides of Nos. 2 & 3 'tween deck hatchways. To complete the equipment 30 fathoms of 1 9/16" chain cable requires to be supplied.

Some damage to one sheerstrake plate, etc. on the port side is to be dealt with at Hamburg at the present time.

The case received the consideration of the Liverpool Committee on the 24th July, when it was decided to refer it to the General Committee.

In view of the small amount of work remaining to be done to complete the survey for classification, the Chief Ship Surveyors submit that, in the circumstances, the vessel might be classed 100A1, subject to the requirements above mentioned being carried out at the first opportunity.