

L.S.T.'s "TROMSO" and "HUNTER"

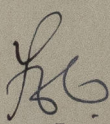
Mr. Waller, of the M.O.T. stated over the telephone this morning, that charterers have not yet been found for the above ships.

He requested that the matter of re-classification be held in abeyance for the present, but the examination now held should be reported, and, if possible credited towards a re-classification survey if and when charters are arranged.

He was advised regarding the anchors, but said that certificates for these are in the possession of the Ministry, though the Admiralty may have them.

With regard to the chain cables, it was pointed out to Mr. Waller that the proof load of  $42\frac{1}{2}$  tons applied under the instruction of the Admiralty was below that required by the Merchant Shipping Act (56.7/10 tons) and in the event of re-classification, a retest of the cables to statutory requirements may be necessary.

Mr. Waller requested a written statement of the examination now carried out, and he was informed that this would be forwarded when the Surveyors' report was received.

  
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