

S.S. "KURLAND" 10900 TONS GROSS

This vessel was built at Geestemunde in 1920. The anchors and cables are stated to have been made and tested in Germany by Borsig, and the test certificates are on board.

The Leith Surveyors raise the question as to whether these can be accepted without retesting.

It is understood that the vessel is being placed under the British Flag.

Upon Mr. Carlton of the Board of Trade being consulted, he states that the practice hitherto has been to enforce the provision of the anchors and chain cables act, in every case where a foreign vessel has been purchased by British Owners and eventually registered in this Country.

He suggests that in the present circumstances the vessel should not be delayed in the meantime, but it would be very desirable to raise the question officially with the Board of Trade at Great George Street, and secure a definite expression of opinion.

The Leith Surveyors have already been informed that the question is being raised officially with the Board of Trade, but that the vessel should not be delayed in the meantime.

It is submitted the Board of Trade be requested to give an opinion upon the general question which has been raised by the Leith Surveyors in this particular case.

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