

AIR MAIL

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Director, The Manx Museum
Douglas
Isle of Man

Dear Sir:

In the December 1937 issue of The Journal of the Manx Museum there appeared a reproduction of a painting of the ship Euterpe, and a brief article on iron shipbuilding in the Isle of Man.

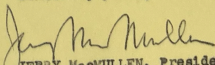
The Euterpe, some fifty years ago renamed Star of India, is in port here, and an active campaign is underway to restore her completely, as a maritime museum. One of the big problems is going to be the determination of her original deck lay-out. We obtained a photostatic copy of her original survey, from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, but unfortunately it shows no plans.

A photograph of Euterpe taken at Port Chalmers in 1874 is quite helpful in some respects, but we are greatly in need of information on deck details. The painting to which reference is made appears to have some of the detail which we will need, and we will deeply appreciate obtaining a photograph of this painting, if one is obtainable. We will, of course, pay the cost of such a photograph.

Aside from Euterpe and her sister-ships Erate and Eurydice and the Ramsey mentioned in your article, were there any other iron ships built in your yards?

Any assistance which you can provide in the way of photos or plans, showing deck details of Euterpe (or her sisters) will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,


JERRY MacMULLEN, President
Maritime Museum Association

