

## LAUNCH AT TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

S. S. SUIYANG.

The s.s. Suiyang, which has been built for the China Navigation Co., Ltd., was successfully launched from Taikoo Dockyard on Thursday. The Suiyang measures 320 feet long over-all, 41 feet beam, 24 foot 9 inches moulded depth, gross tonnage 2,555, and is built of Siemens-Martin steel to scantlings approved by the British Corporation. The vessel is specially designed to Owner's requirements and has a cellular double bottom for water ballast extending all fore and aft, the forward and after peaks also being arranged for water ballast. Accomodation is provided on the bridge deck for European passengers and on the main deck and amidships for Chinese steerage passengers, while a house is fitted aft to accomodate first-class Chinese passengers. Officers and engineers are berthed in house on the bridge deck. The Captain's cabin and wheel house are also arranged on the bridge deck. Lifeboats are fitted under davits amidships and on the after deck, providing ample accomodation for passengers and crew. The machinery consists of one set of triple-expansion surface-condensing engines, having cylinders 22 inches, 35 inches and 56 inches diameter with a stroke of 39 inches, steam being supplied from one large multitubular boiler. Engines and boiler have also been constructed by the shipbuilders.