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sir,

With reference to the Freeboard report No. 52734 forwarded by Mr. Campbell Holmes in the case of the new Cunard Steamer "MAURETANIA", I shall be glad to learn the length of the vessel on load line measured from fore side of rudder head to fore side of stem, as it is observed that the load line length given on the report is 10.85 feet greater than the registered length.

The tonnage given on the report appears to be the tonnage including shelter deck space. The under deck tonnage to the deck below the shelter deck should be ascertained and reported. At the same time I may point out that the tonnage coefficient given on the report as .82 is obviously incorrect for this vessel.

The usual signed request form should be forwarded in this case.

I am, sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R.C. Champness Esq.,

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