

Dear 2 March 1846
Liverpool

In reply to your request for detailed statement of the "Gloucester" facts of this I beg leave to state that I could perceive no material alteration in her plates & hull for these several years. part - same time I would have you understand that there has been no more corrosion. But that no paragraph is such a short moment that it is difficult to defend it. — I observed a very little water had some time since, run down under from some planks which had backed the plates - Merely oak back or wood taken off with a hand broom. the ship has passed her original form unimpaired there is nothing at the waterways — I am of opinion that her hull ship shall be examined once again to enable them to take R. I am led to this conclusion from seeing the rust in several iron bolts which defences prepared to be applied.

I am Sir
Your most Obedient
Obt. M. M. T.

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