

Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping,

2, White Lion Court, Cornhill,

London, 11<sup>th</sup> March 1873.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the Character assigned  
in the Register Book to your Iron Screw Steamer,  
"Charles Howard" viz., GOAL as an  
"awning-decked" Ship, I am directed to transmit for  
your information, the accompanying copy of Notice  
No. 305, affecting vessels of this description, whose  
characters will be expunged if the scuppers and ports at  
the main deck are not left open "to discharge water."

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

 B. Waymouth, Secy.

Messrs. Ryde & Co.,  
London.

LLOYD'S REGISTER OF BRITISH AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

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AWNING-DECKED STEAMERS.

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It being a condition in the Rules of Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping, that "*in Awning decked vessels there must be scuppers and ports at the main deck through the side, to discharge water,*" and it having come to the knowledge of the Committee that in certain cases the scuppers and ports have been permanently closed, in contravention of the above Regulation, and the Committee having expunged the Character assigned to a vessel which has been so dealt with:—

NOTICE is hereby given to the owners of Awning decked vessels classed in Lloyd's Register Book, that in any cases brought to the knowledge of the Committee of the closing of the scuppers or the securing of the ports in such vessels, contrary to the Regulation in question, they will immediately suspend the Character assigned to them.

By order of the Committee,

BERNARD WAYMOUTH,

*Secretary.*

2, White Lion Court, Cornhill, London, E.C.

27th February, 1873.

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