



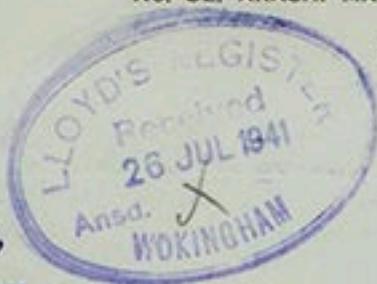
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MEIKAI BUILDING

No. 32, AKASHI MACHI.

KOBE. 6th May 1941.



The Secretary,
WOKINGHAM

S.S.C.M.V. "ASAMA MARU"

Dear Sir,

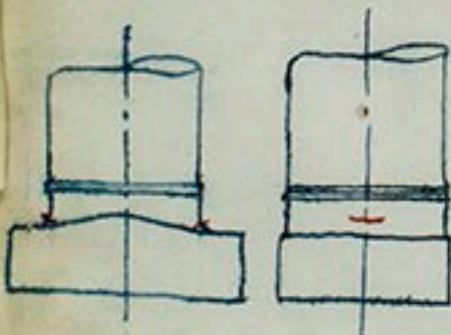
In reply to the query contained in the London Classing Letter dated 28th February 1941, we have to inform you that the fractures of piston rods were found on the position shown by the following sketch which extend from $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Some of the piston rods were fractured on the port side and some on the star-board side while six were fractured on both sides.

When the bottom end of one of the piston rods was disconnected the face of piston foot was found unfair and the plate foot liners were broken. It is considered that the defective fitting of the piston foot to crosshead probably have caused the fractures.

Hoping this matter is now clearly explained.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,



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The Secretary,
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"ASAMA MARU" S.S. M.V.

Dear Sir,

In reply to the query contained in the London classing letter dated 28th February 1941, we have to inform you that the fractures of piston rods were found on the position shown by the following sketch which extend from 4 1/2" to 5 1/2". Some of the piston rods were fractured on the port side and some on the star-board side while six were fractured on both sides.

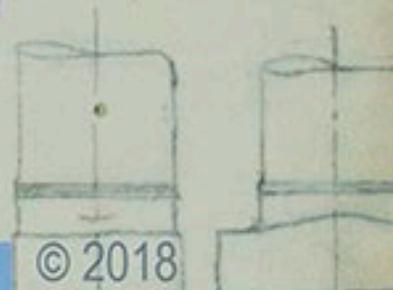
When the bottom end of one of the piston rods was disconnected the face of piston foot was found unflat and the plate foot liners were broken. It is considered that the defective fitting of the piston foot to crosshead probably have caused the fractures.

Hoping this matter is now clearly explained.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

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