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Mr. J. French,
Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
New York, N.Y.

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Dear Mr. French:-

You will remember some recent correspondence regarding the welded ship "SHEAN" ex "FULLAGAR".

The owners, at the instance of the Quasi Arc Company, desired to have the notation "experimental" eliminated from the records, and I think the Quasi Arc Company had the building of another welded ship in mind, if this could be done.

The original notation called for annual survey, but at the Special No.2, the condition of the welding was so good, that I was able to recommend survey at two year periods, and this was approved by the Committee.

Recently the "Shean" was proceeding at full speed, say $8\frac{1}{2}$ knots, with 10,000 bags of cement on board, when she ran bow on to a bluff.

I am enclosing photos showing this damage, and you will notice that the welding has taken the shock in most cases without failure, while the plates are fractured and bent.

Even where bent the welding is still intact.

While the ship was on dry dock a portion of the under-water body was chipped clean, and I had a photo taken of this also,



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which I enclose and I think you will agree that the welding is perfect.

There is no sign of corrosion anywhere in this ship, except in the case of some rivets in the double bottom oil tank, which were fitted in England, when the flat of bottom was faired.

The bow repairs are being made with riveting, which was advisable and particularly so during our wet weather.

I think the photos indicate that the "Shean" is an excellent job of welding, and a more accurate opinion can be formed of the value of welding from the damage results, than by seeing the ship under ordinary survey conditions.

In view of the interest taken in the vessel, and the recent correspondence, I am forwarding the photos in duplicate.

Yours very truly,

FOR THE SURVEYORS.

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