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Messrs. J.L. Thompson & Sons' Yard Nos. 550 & 551.

Trunk in forward well.

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It is submitted the Sunderland Surveyors be informed that if the reduced freeboard on account of the strengthened trunk is desired, it will be necessary for the conditions laid down in the Secretary's letter of the 30th ultimo to be complied with, and plans showing the Builders' proposals should be submitted for approval.

The Surveyors should be reminded that in the case of the Steamer "CWENTLAND", the hatchways were much smaller, and the trunk was only 3'-6" in height, and as the reduction in freeboard on account of fitting the trunk was only ½ inch, a modified arrangement of stiffening was approved.

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