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Dear Mr. Sladden,

"DASHWOOD" and "ARNEWOOD".

The plans forwarded to me with your letter of the 23rd ultimo are being returned to you to-day under separate cover.

In addition, we have obtained, and are forwarding under the same cover, a copy of the midship section of "ARNEWOOD" and the plan of the forgings in both vessels.

A Report 8 and a First Entry Report in respect of "ARNEWOOD" are also being despatched, together with the Reports on "DASHWOOD" which were handed to me by Mr. Bartlett for the additions which he suggested and which I have now made.

I should explain that when the "DASHWOOD" was submitted to us for survey, the Superintendent informed Mr. Croudace it was intended to put the vessel through a general examination, and then open her up for the full examination at a later date, which is in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum accompanying your letter of 7th September, 1946. This was done but, in addition, Mr. Croudace took the opportunity to do as much of the survey for ~~re~~-classification as possible as will be seen from his reports.

The additions I have made to the Report on "DASHWOOD" are, I believe, correct and are the result of an examination by me of official order books and the questioning of officials at the Builder's Yard, and the scantlings of the double bottom have been confirmed by Mr. Croudace's examination of the "ARNEWOOD".



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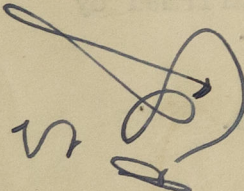
It may help you to know that, whilst these vessels were being built, I was frequently in the Builder's Yard and, as a result of general observation, I do not doubt the quality of the workmanship and feel sure that the tanks were tested by the British Corporation Surveyors.

In neither case, ~~it~~ ^{it} has ~~not~~ been possible to carry out the requirements of the Rules for a re-classification survey on the machinery.

You will observe, the only fee charged in the case of "DASHWOOD" so far is £10. for the general examination, plus Statutory Load Line fee. The question of fees in respect of "ARNEWOOD" is being raised officially as the classification survey of this vessel has been held at this port.

Yours sincerely,

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