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LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

48, Market Street, Aberdeen

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Dear Sir,

S/T "ISERNIA" LR. 516431.

Further to my letter of yesterday, I have had some talks with persons concerned with the above fire damaged ship at Peterhead.

My previous explanation again seems to be correct. Tubes were being blown, smoke-box doors leaking badly and sparks set alight some oil, considered to be around a gas-oil tank.

All fire extinguishing apparatus worked from the remote controls on the casing. However, it is further considered, but not as yet verified, that this vessel has a funnel and outer casing, and no provision is supplied for shutting off the air flow between funnel and casing.

This in theory was causing an updraught, downdraught and feeding the fire.

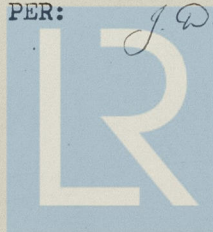
No one as yet has been able to make a detailed survey as to the full cause and any defects to assist the fire.

The fore-going is the opinion of the B.O.T. at this moment but not, as stated, as yet verified.

Yours faithfully,

THE SURVEYORS.

PER:



The Secretary,

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