

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

Lloyd's Bank Chambers,

Middlesbrough, 9th April 1926.



Dear Mr. Watt,

Many thanks for your letter of the 30th March regarding the Freeboard of Messrs. Furness S.B. Co's Nos. 108/9. I would have answered before but have been awaiting a letter from the Superintendent of the U.S. Gypsum Transportation Co. giving the route of the vessels in the Summer months. You will see from my official letter today the route to be followed by these vessels, and it is the Owners' wish to have some allowance made only for the Summer months: in the Winter the vessels are engaged on an entirely different route.

When the Builders calculated the under deck tonnage they only did it very roughly by planimeter and did not allow for sparring or ceiling.

I have conferred with Mr. Butterwick in the matter of the tonnage and he now estimates the under deck tonnage to be 3660 allowing for 2" sparring and 4½" ceiling.

The block coefficient at the load draught is .79.



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The Owners' Superintendent hopes to call at the
London Office on Monday morning next to discuss the
matter of the Summer Freeboard.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,

Cyril B. Leaver.

W. Watt Esq.,

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