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Dear Sir,

With reference to yours of the 29th August regarding the classing of the "EMPIRE ISLE" and "EMPIRE BANK", we beg to state that the sternframes of these vessels were of welded construction by the Builders, Messrs. Richard Dunston, Ltd., the material being supplied by Messrs. Appleby-Frodingham Steel Co., Ltd. The sternframes were afterwards annealed at Messrs. T. Firth and J. Brown's works at Sheffield.

With regard to the enquiry regarding the length of the forecastle for record in the Register Book, we regret that the length 16' which was given in our First Entry Report was taken at the forecastle deck, and the actual length of forecastle at the upper deck is 15' 6".

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors,
Per:-

length on
report 13.5

Handwritten signature: J. H. H. H.

The Secretary,
WOKINGHAM.



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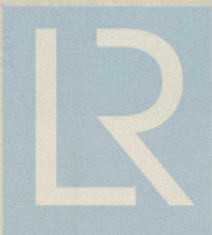
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