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95, Bothwell Street, GLASGOW, C.2.  
21st September, 1944.

Dear Sir,

"Fort Amherst" and "Fort Townshend" Nos. 74883 and 75078 in Register Book. Messrs. Blythswood S.B. Co., Ltd., Nos. 39 and 40. Owners. Furness Withy & Co., Id.

I beg to acquaint you that a letter has been received from the Builders regarding an increase in draught for the above vessels, and asking to be informed of the increase in scantlings which would be necessary. The Builders state, in reply to a telephone enquiry, that the increase in draught desired by the Owners is about 12" and that they understand that the question has already been discussed in your office by the Owners' representative.

In these circumstances instructions are requested as to the nature of the reply which should be sent to the Builders.

I may add, however, that when the plans were originally approved it was observed that the draught desired was only slightly less than that corresponding to a C.S.S. vessel and in these circumstances, with the Builders' concurrence, the plans were considered on the basis of the Rule requirements for a vessel of this type. In addition to the information requested in their letter, the Builders desire to be informed also of the draught which can be permitted without increase of scantlings, i.e. the C.S.S. draught.

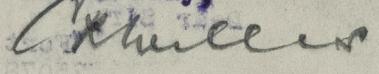
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A copy of Messrs. Blythswood's letter is enclosed herewith.

I am, Dear Sirs,  
Yours faithfully,



Local Secretary.

The Secretary,

LONDON.

Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor.

P.E.C.

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