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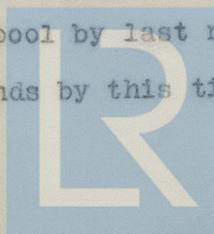
5th May, 1915

Dear Sirs,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday's date, confirming telegrams between us relative to your steamer "PARKLANDS", and in reply have to acquaint you that a report has today been received from the Society's Surveyors at Hartlepool to the effect that the strake below the sheer strake has been doubled throughout the fore well on each side as required, also that the freeboard marks have been verified. The survey of the steamer has not been completed as regards the examination of the bunkers, and the testing of the engine and boiler room tanks in way of the bunkers.

In all the circumstances, however, the Committee have agreed to assign to the steamer the class 100A1 in the Society's Register Book, subject to the bunkers being examined, and the tank in way tested on the vessel's return from her next voyage, and I have the pleasure to enclose certificates accordingly.

The freeboard certificates were forwarded to the Society's office at Hartlepool by last night's post, and I trust have reached your hands by this time.



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In compliance with your request, I telegraphed today to the Surveyor of the Board of Trade at Methil as follows:

"STEAMER PARKLANDS 135917 HAVE ISSUED FREEBOARD CERTIFICATES TO OWNERS TODAY AT WEST HARTLEPOOL FREEBOARDS REPORTED CORRECTLY MARKED AND VERIFIED."

I also wired you on the subject as follows:

"PARKLANDS HAVE WIRED BOARD OF TRADE METHIL REGARDING FREEBOARD."

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Assistant to
the Secretary.

Messrs. J. W. Baird & Co.,

Montagu House,

West Hartlepool.



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