

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

16^a, Harima Machi,

Kobe, 21st December 1918



A. L. JONES,
ENGINEER SURVEYOR.

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The Secretary,
London,

Dear Sir,

In reply to the inquiries made in your letter of the 31st October, relating to the steamer WAR MAID & the report received from Messrs A.Holt & Co's superintendent at Singapore I wish to say that the workmanship in No.2 tank was found, during construction, to be satisfactory & the tank proved quite tight under test. After completion the vessel lay with tanks full for twelve days at Innoshima, came to Kobe where she stayed for six days, then proceeded to Moji where she remained for five days. During the whole of this time Mr. J. Sim, then in the employ of Messrs A.Holt & Co., was in attendance & is able to certify that there was no leakage from the tanks. Exceptionally heavy weather was encountered on the voyage to Singapore & it seems probable that, from this or other cause, some inordinate strain was localized at the feet of the two pillars in No.3 hold (?in way of No.3 hatch) to cause the leakage complained of at these points.

It is regretted that the bedding of the flanges of the hawse pipes proved inefficient. They were fitted in accordance with the usual practice of the builders which is to cast each hawse pipe

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