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22nd May, 1908.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 17th ultimo, respecting the fees charged by you in connection with the special survey during construction of the steam trawler "CHICAGO", I have to acquaint you that the provision of Circular No. 1071, to which you refer, applies to the survey of old work only.

You will observe, however, from the last paragraph of the Circular that the fees for the special survey of new vessels and machinery are, in accordance with previous practice, to be divided equally between the Surveyors and the Society, unless in any particular case there are good reasons shewn to the contrary.

If any portion of the fees received by you, viz:- £74 in the present instance, represented payment for services rendered by you as a private Marine Surveyor, quite apart from the services which the Society's Surveyors are required to render in the survey of new vessels, then such portion will not come within the scope of Circular No. 1071. On the other hand, all fees received by you for the survey of hulls and machinery of vessels built under your inspection with

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a view to classification in the Society's Register Book require to be divided equally between yourself and the Society, as provided for by the Circular in question.

I shall therefore be glad to hear further from you in the matter.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Secretary to the
Classification Committee.

James Fowler Esq.,

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