

Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

4 BRIDGE STREET,

SYDNEY, 20th December, 1938.

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The Secretary,
LONDON.

Dear Sir,

On receipt of your letter of the 9th ultimo with reference to the boilers of the steamer "MURITAI"; I immediately communicated with Mr. Lidgett the Society's **Non-exclusive** Surveyor at Wellington, and advised him of the contents of your letter.

In a reply now to hand, Mr. Lidgett states that the bulk of the rivets renewed were in the circumferential seam of the forward boiler, and only a few in the longitudinal seam, that a large percentage of the holes were examined before being reamed, that as far as could be seen with the ultra lens, no cracks of any kind were visible, and that it was not possible to procure an electro magnetic crack detector at Wellington.

He further states that he and the Chief Engineer (who is also the Superintendent of the Company) are keeping a close watch on these boilers against the possibility of any further developments.

I would add that Mr. Lidgett appears to be



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Referred to the Chief Engineer Surgeon

2 JAN 1939

also for Mr. Slackton to note

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M Ripley's

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Ack Syd:-

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Yours faithfully,

I am, Dear Sir,

of the tubes have forwarded to you. be influenced by the result of the microscopic examination of the tubes. Further recommendations will necessarily be made if the bacteria are present in any amount.

The Secretary,
LONDON.

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