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26th November, 1906.

Gentlemen,

I am in receipt of Mr. Dykes' letter of the 24th instant, respecting the freeboards assigned by the Committee to the new steamers "BRAUNFELS" and "ROTENFELS", and with regard thereto I may explain that the difference in the freeboards of these two vessels is due to the fact that the latter vessel, built at Bremerhaven, has a larger under deck tonnage than the "BRAUNFELS", built at Newcastle, thereby making the tonnage co-efficient of fineness larger, while at the same time the "ROTENFELS" has a shorter extent of deck erections.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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