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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

12th October, 1923.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 28th September regarding the surveys of the screwshafts of the following Steamers belonging to the Independent S.S. Company, Inc., viz:- "CAYUGA", "CHIPPEWA", "MONTEFAUCON", "ONONDAGA", "BACCARAT", "ONEIDA", "SENECA", "JUVIGNY" and "ROMAGNE".

With regard to the first four vessels, which are engaged exclusively in trading upon the Great Lakes, I have to say that the arrangement approved by the General Committee of this Society in 1920 remains in force, viz:-

"In view of the fact that these vessels are only in service for a few months each year and are always in fresh water, the shafts to be examined by the Society's Surveyors when drawn in on account of damage, but no definite ruling to be made in regard to the same".

As regards the Steamers, "BACCARAT", "ONEIDA" and "SENECA", which are laid up, action has been deferred for the present.

In the cases of the two vessels "JUVIGNY" and "ROMAGNE", which are trading on the Pacific Coast, the tail shaft of the former vessel was seen in May last, and will therefore not again become due for survey until May 1926. The tail shaft of the "ROMAGNE" became due for survey last month, and arrangements should be made to submit it for

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the necessary examination in accordance with the Rules.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Assistant to the Secretary.

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