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31st December, 1918.

3 ENCLOSURES.

Dear Mr. Scullard,

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date forwarding rough draft of your freeboard report on the "ST. BOTOLPH", and, as requested, I have completed the report in pencil and now return same.

You will observe that I have increased the moulded depth amidships to $16'-1\frac{3}{4}"$, as, in all the previous sister vessels, a drop in sheer of $1\frac{3}{4}"$ was given, and I presume your vessel is built to the same lines as the other vessels of the type. In a vessel having a forecastle only, the mean standard sheer is taken over seven-eighths of the vessel's length, in accordance with section 18 of the freeboard regulations.

In forwarding your official report, you should also forward form 11d giving the scantlings of the vessel as built, leaving the rule scantlings to be filled in in this office. I also return the plans, two in number, forwarded with your letter.

With kind regards, and wishing you the compliments of the season,

Yours faithfully,

Mr Scullard, Esq.,
HULL.

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