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26th January, 1903.

Dear Sirs,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 24th instant (which was not received until after this Office was closed on Saturday) and your letter of the same date regarding the case of your steamer "MAPLEMORE", the name of which vessel is now to be changed to "CITY OF EDINBURGH", and I have to confirm my telegram to you this morning, as follows:-

"MAPLEMORE upon completion survey at Glasgow as regards making deck in wells watertight certificate can be issued subject to indented bottom plating being satisfactorily dealt with when vessel next in dry dock have wired Glasgow Surveyors to expedite matters suggest you see them".

Since then I have received a telegram from the Society's Surveyors at Glasgow, as follows, viz:-

"MAPLEMORE decks in wells watertight",

and I have accordingly written to the Board of Trade, as desired, stating that the Society's requirements as regards survey have been complied with, and the vessel's class of 100A1 will be maintained in the Society's Register Book.

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subject to indents in the bottom plating being dealt with on the next occasion of the vessel being placed in dry dock.

At the same time I have to draw your attention to the fact that the fees for the survey held at Belfast, for which an account was rendered on the 23rd instant, have not yet been paid. It is not usual for the Committee to issue a certificate under such circumstances, but in view of the case being urgent this fact has not been allowed to delay matters in the present instance.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

pro Secretary.

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