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Mentioned 18th Dec. 1865.
Dec 21/1865
"Victorian"
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Dear Sir,

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your 16th inst,
relative to report on new paper.

Originally she was not intended to be built under cover, consequently we did not keep a particular record of dates, so we cannot say positively whether after the paper was framed she stood 3 months without more planking being put on than what is specified in your Rules, possibly a few shakes of bottom plank was put on so as to support the frame, but after this owing to several contrivances, first had she was allowed to stand under cover for a considerable time, we would not condescend upon exact dates, but we pretty certain she stood 8 or 10 months in frame without anything further being done - (that is only the few shakes in the bottom). Considering that the paper was altogether more than double the required time under cover, we think your Committee will take a favorable view of the case, and grant us the additional year. The paper is now in London and as a purchaser may come forward ^{any} day, ~~we~~ we should feel obliged by an early report. We are Dear Sir Yours truly

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Planking Inside. — The Limber-strakes and Bidge-strakes are

German Oak

The Ceiling, Lower Hold, and between Decks

German Oak

Shelf Pieces and Clamps
upper deck Carving

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