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25th March, 1904.

Dear Sirs,

W. With reference to your letter of the 16th instant, respecting the case of your steamer "DEERHOUND", I beg to inform you that Mr. Sandry, the Society's Surveyor at Falmouth, has been communicated with, and from his explanation it appears that he gave careful attention to the survey of the vessel. The defects to the foremast were pointed out by him on the 4th January and the necessity for supplying a new hawser and towline was intimated by him on the 22nd January, but there has been delay on your part in making good these deficiencies. Mr. Sandry expresses regret that any remark contained in his letter to you of the 15th instant should have been considered by you as a veiled threat, as nothing was further from his thoughts. His sole desire was to point out to you that the vessel was liable to have the figure 1 withdrawn from her classification unless the necessary equipment was supplied. He did not desire to be discourteous, and regrets that his letter was interpreted in a manner which was not intended by him.

I shall be obliged if you will be so good as to

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state definitely when and where the "DEERHOUND" may be seen
by the Society's Surveyors with the new hawsers and towline
on board.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. Toyne, Carter & Co.,

POWEY, CORNWALL.



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