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Iron S. Steamer "Persian Monarch"  
of 3308 tons, built at Dumbarton in  
1880, and claimed 100 A 1, "3 Deck, &  
Shelter deck".

This case has recently occupied  
the attention of the Committee, when in  
consequence of the shelter deck being per-  
manently laid, the Committee required  
a load line for insertion in the Register  
Book.

In reference to the owner's letter  
dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Inst, it is submitted that  
so long as the erections were confined  
to the sides of the ship, the middle portion  
being left undecked, the type of ship  
could be seen, but as a complete deck  
has now been laid, there is nothing  
externally to distinguish this ship from  
a similar one having full scullings  
extending to the shelter deck.

The "Assyrian Monarch" was  
seen by us when she was recently at  
this port, but at that time the shelter  
deck had not been completed with  
a permanent deck laid and caulked,  
and it is submitted, if this has been done  
it appears to be a case where a load  
line should be submitted as required by the  
Committee for the sister ship "Persian Monarch".

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