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"Simla".

Glasgow.

Dear Sir,

With reference to what you stated at our interview this forenoon, namely, that you understand your Committee may be likely still to urge the further doublings, and to hesitate about recognising the adopted basis of $\frac{2}{3}$ rd thickness of plates, I have just referred to copy letter dated 14 June, in which they treat of "the great size of frames and reversed frames and their close spacing" in this ship, and seeing that all suggestions respecting the iron deck, the plating across in way of each mast, the main & bilge keelsons, and every other detail is being attended to, I am under the impression that your Visitation Com^{tee} on inspection might readily admit that the facts warrant the "Simla's" being assigned your highest class, without further doublings. The "Simla" is being pushed out of dock by the Harbour authorities, latest date 18 cur^{nt}.

I remain, Dear Sir, yours faithfully, C. Emma Saunders.

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