Glasgow
1st September. 1884.

Joseph Thomson

Mr Lewis S. Merrow with the consent of the Owner, survey the screw steamer "Queen" of Dundee, 178 tons, for the purpose of ascertaining the damage stated to have been sustained through grounding in the Harbour at Harrington on the 25th Feb. 1884. For particulars see Log Book and protest.

On examination of the vessel. on the 12th May 1884, when afloat in the Kingston Dock. Glasgow, found :— On the port quarter, the after bulwark plate indented and fractured; the quarter fender and after length of main rail carried away; the stern platform badly damaged; and a warping chock broken. A five and a half inch rope broken, stated to have been ninety fathoms in length.

On further examination of the vessel, when in the Govan Dry Dock, on the 20th June and following days, found :— The stern frame fractured at the heel of inner post; the lower rudder pintle, which was forked on, fractured

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fractured at one of the rivet holes and the rivets broken and started; and the two after garboard plates on each side fractured in way of the rivet holes, in cutting the rivets out of stern frame.

The undersigned recommended:— The fractured bulwark plate to be replaced with a new one; a new quarter fender and after length of main rail to be fitted; the stern platform to be repaired; and the broken warping chock to be replaced with a new one. A new five and a half inch rope, ninety fathoms in length to be supplied. The stern frame to be taken out, a new heel piece to be welded on to it, to be replaced and re-riveted, and all the work in connection therewith made good. The lower rudder pintle to be repaired and re-riveted; the two after garboard plates on both sides to be replaced with new ones; the cement to be made good; and the bottom to be cleaned and recoated.

The above mentioned repairs were recommended to be executed with the view of placing the vessel in as good condition as she was in before having sustained the damage in question.

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