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The

Secretary Lloyd's Register of Shipping  
London.

Sir

Since my last letter to you recommending that - S.S. N<sup>o</sup> 2 be affixed to the - S.S. "Rotokino" she has returned to Port with the Weld of the Rudder broken, after completing a voyage with a coal cargo. The Manager of the Union Steam Ship Coy. has cabled to England for a new Rudder, in the mean time the old Rudder was sent to the yard of Messrs Fraser & Neave and has been welded again, and put under the heaviest hammer, it has been done under the supervision of the Government Engineer and the Chief Engineer of the vessel, I appointed the Government Engineer to watch the welding for me. they are of opinion it will stand this time. I gave the enclosed Certificate to the Union Board for the Collector of Customs to pass the vessel, but would not sign myself as Surveyor to Lloyd's Register, as I am not sure of the work. neither are the Company sure of the Rudder shaft, as they have cabled for a new Rudder -

I sent you a cable when I found the Rudder broken signed "Repleinto" as follows. "Topping" - S.S. "Rotokino" - Scott's Code - viz. "wait letters before doing anything. S.S. "Rotokino", which I felt sure you would understand means not to affix the Class - S.S. N<sup>o</sup> 2. I beg to make the following statement: 1<sup>st</sup> This Port cannot do any heavy work until the 'Calcepe Dock' is fitted for the British Government, which is expected will take some months. They are erecting a Building now. 2<sup>nd</sup> When I surveyed the Hull of the S.S. "Rotokino", I did not strip the covering off the top of the Ballast tanks, only in the wings, i.e. the Belves, I tested the Tanks by the Pipes. after careful consideration I have thought that I ought to <sup>have</sup> stripped all the ceiling off the top, is it so? or is it left to my judgment? If there be any



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allowance, let me know and I will have it done when the New Rudder arrives and the Machinery and Boilers are surveyed, only I will have to remove two wooden Bulk heads to get the ceiling or covering up. I did not like to be too exacting with the Company because they do not care much whether the Boats are kept on the class.

If this be a blunder on my part, I trust the Committee will overlook it, it shall not occur again. I have enclosed the following.

Copy of Survey on the Meat Blanches of S.S. 'Bass-shire'

— Do Do Do S.S. 'Pakeha'

— Do Surveys on outward cargo 'Ashmore', 'Jessie Osborne'

— Copy of Certificate on S.S. 'Roto-kui' for Collection of Customs

— Record Papers of Ships ..

I am to survey the 'Quathamba' to morrow, or Monday.

I note what you say in reference to making out the Reports on the proper forms, it shall have my best attention.

I am

Sir

Your obedient servant—

M. T. Haydn

Surveyor to Lady's Register - Auckland



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*Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor.*

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*Also for Mr. Hill  
Mr. Tammie Mr. [unclear]  
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