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M 23542

Null, 23rd September, 1887.

"Tyne Queen". O. N. 49650.

Sir,

I beg to hand you the enclosed surveys
for your information. It will be seen the
vessel sailed with less freeboard than is
allowed in the Board's approximate Tables,
and my experience also led me to consider
her too deeply laden; the form and appearance
of the ship strengthens that belief. A
sketch of her outline is already before the
Board, to which I respectfully refer you.

The Assistant Secretary,

Being

Marine Department,

Board of Trade,


S. W.



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Being lower at the bow and stern than
in midships, such an arrangement of upper
structure appears abnormal, and entirely
opposed to a seaman's idea of a safe
sea-going ship; and her low stowhole
gratings and engine room skylights
do not contribute to her safety.

On the other hand Lloyd's have
recently classed her as an awning deck
ship, and placed the centre of their mark
about fourteen inches below the main
deck. I fail to conceive how she can
have obtained such a character, as the
so called awning deck does not extend
throughout the entire length of the
Ship.



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ship, but terminates several feet from each end; it has evidently been an after thought. The bulkhead on after end, from quarter deck to top of awning deck, is of wood, and I look upon the whole thing as nothing else than an unusually large lounge extending from side to side with iron sides.

However, having taken into consideration the position assumed by Lloyd's, and the action by the Board's staff at Newport, I thought advisable not to detain her, the season being also in her favour. I am



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Convinced the owners would have appealed
to a Court of Survey if she had been
detained, and I am doubtful if we
could have carried our point; at the
same time I am not only convinced
she was too deep, but is a dangerous
type of ship.

W.C.

I have, &c.,

W. Coure.



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