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14th April, 1893.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acquaint you that the General Committee had again under consideration at their meeting this day, the case of your wood sk. "MAORI", together with a further report which has been received from the Society's Surveyor at Ipswich on the vessel.

The Surveyor reports the fore mast head to be defective in several places, and that it is proposed to piece it and fish the head. This method of dealing with the defects is not considered sufficient to make the vessel safe for the contemplated voyage, and I am therefore directed to state that to render ^{her} eligible to retain the figure 1 in her character, without a black ring, the mast in question should be renewed.

I have to add that it also appears that the hull of the vessel has been found defective in several places with fastenings broken and loose, and under these circumstances, I have to acquaint you that the hold should be cleared, so that a general examination can be made, the whole of the recommendations made by the Society's Surveyor complied with, and the vessel put into an efficient state of repair to his satisfaction, to entitle her to retain her class.

I have therefore to request you will give definite instructions to Messrs Forrest & Son to have all the necessary

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repairs carried out to the entire satisfaction of the Society's
Surveyor, and I shall be glad to learn, for the Committee's
information, that you have done this.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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