

Scott Street Foundry
Hull 4 May 1864

Mr. H. Adams

Lloyds Surveyor - Lister Street

Dear Sir

We wish to have the Iron Screw Steamer
"Hion" Classed 9 years A1 at Lloyds, and for that purpose
we beg herewith to hand you the usual surveys duly
signed by us, and in doing so we beg to draw your
attention to the altered tonnage of this vessel, from what
it was originally intended to measure, you are aware
she was first laid down for a 700 ton ship and the
keel was completed as such; she was then made a
little deeper and we found she would gross about
700 tons & therefore altered all the other scantlings and
plates &c in accordance with the rules laid down for
that purpose on Grade, and in addition to these
requirements we put in two bulkheads & a plate stringer
between decks & although the vessel measures
more than the original design, we think your
Committee will agree that she is not less entitled
to be classed, in consequence of the trifling alterations
made in her, and we hope that they will grant
us a Certificate for 9 years, the Gross tonnage of the Hull
by Customs measurement is only 816 tons, the Deck Cabin
aft, and store room, together 86 tons will have nothing
to do with the Classification, as they are quite distinct &
were built after the Hull had been completed.

The trifling excess of tonnage above the 700 ton grade
is caused by our having given the deck more crop

Yours very respectfully
Martin Samuelson & Co