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9 Humford Place
Liverpool 24th Aug 1890

R. E. Mudge Esq Rec 29/1/90
Sir.

Your letter of 22nd instant
to hand and in answer we beg to say
that if you require it we shall
undertake to remove the present ground
tackle on board the "Delaware" and
replace it with those of sufficient
dimensions to comply with your regulations.

We however beg to state that the present
ground tackle of the "Delaware" was
supplied very often her being lengthened
according to the requirements of your
surveyors we having sent to your
surveyors to give us dimensions of the
ground tackle that she would require
to have -

This vessel is supplied with
as heavy Ground Tackle as any vessel
after size but owing to the Hurricane
deck having been measured in for
tonnage which has never been done with
any other vessel her tonnage has been
increased out of proportion to the real
size of the vessel -

Should you require new
Chain Cables to be put on board, a new
Capstan compressors will also be required
which will put us to very heavy expense
and cause much delay -

Under these circumstances we

venture to request that you will not
require the Ground Tackle of the "Delaware"
to be replaced by those of heavier dimensions

(Sgd.) ^{Yours truly} C. E. A. Nixon



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