

State of Virginia

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The Secretary Lloyd's Register

Sir,

In reply to the Assistant Secretary's Letter of the 20th Inst. requesting to be furnished with further explanation as to the alleged bursting of a side port in the S.S. "State of Virginia"⁹⁹⁵ beg to state, that the circular solid iron deadlight, protecting the glass illuminator from the sea, is received into a chamber from the inside of the vessel, and kept in place water-tight, by the frame containing the glass being set up against it with a permanently fitted screw; as also, that the inner covering of iron, fitted with a hinge, protecting the glass from the inside, is set up with a separate screw: it was understood, that neither of the two screws referred to, was found holed up, when it was discovered the water was making through the illuminator hole in the side.



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For the Chief Surveyors

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It is submitted that the further
Explanation Explains the cause
of the casualty - which appears
to have arisen from a work
of proper care in securing
the illumination on the light.

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side and that the iron dead-light,
had been found dropped out of
place, on to the lower deck, presumed
to have been forced in-board through
not having been kept screwed into
its place.

As requested a sketch
showing a side light as fitted is
herewith enclosed.

We are Sir

Your obedient servants
Saml. Laphore
for Surveyors



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S. S. State of Virginia
with sketch showing
a side light as
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