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14th June 1879

Sir

I respectfully beg to acknowledge receipt of a letter from Mr. Dawkins of Leith dated the 12th instant, also enclosed a letter from Mr. Cormack dated the 10th instant, referring to his Steamer "Ella". And in noting the contents of this letter, I am at a loss to know in which way to answer the questions contained therein, and as pointed out in the Report on this boiler and finding it in bad condition it was deemed prudent to see and having explained to Mr. Cormack in the most friendly way possible that considerable repairs would be necessary; such as the renewal of stays, and the furnaces seen to, and in fact the boiler ^{put} in good safe working order before it could be recommended for the vessel to retain the figure 1. and from what I understood Mr. Cormack to say that he did not want this figure. I did not deem it prudent to press him to have anything done to the boiler but what seemed to answer

his own purpos. if Mr Cormack had put any of the questions now contained in his letter I most decidedly would have given satisfactory answers to them. I did not see the boiler put under tests as pointed out by Mr Cormack as this is not usual nor necessary for ascertaining its safe working condition. With regards to holding this survey it was at the request of Mr Dawkins. who accompanied me to the vessel and also was present when seeing the owner. as regards the necessity for holding this survey Mr Cormack should know the reason he held the figure 1. - for the machinery as part of the equipment I am sorry that Mr. Cormack should infer that there was any hitch or misunderstanding in this matter. for so far as I saw this seemed not to be the case

I am Sir

The Secretary
Lloyds Register
London

Your Obedient Servant
J. Stunrock

P.S I beg to enclose Mr Cormack's letter

Mr Parker to note.

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