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19<sup>th</sup> June 1879

Sir I respectfully beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> instant, regarding the case of the S.S. "Ella", and with reference to the inspection made on this vessel's boiler, so far, as opened out for that purpose. This being a case where the boiler being old, and in a general wasted condition, and also having the appearance where several parts had been repeatedly repaired, this led me to the conclusion that the vessel was not worthy of holding the figure 1, agreeable to Rules for Surveys Nos 1, 2 & 3. but with frequent repairs at short periods not exceeding three months I would not say that the safety of the vessel would be endangered, but this could only be carried out for a short time, say, not exceeding one or two years at the most. as to the repairs required to put this boiler in fair working condition with say a steam pressure not exceeding 50 lbs. it would be necessary to have the faulty parts cut out of the furnaces



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Mr Parker Liverpool

Where they are repaired by doubling pieces and proper patches riveted in. Also several of the longitudinal bolt stays should be renewed, and also from appearance the girder stays would require to be served in like manner. The seams round the bottom of boiler would also require a number of the leaking rivets taken out and replaced, and possibly some new patches fitted into the plates where they are wasted the screw stays in the combustion chambers I did not see and it is likely a number of these may have to be renewed at the same time. It is possible there may be other repairs necessary. as I had not an opportunity of making a thorough inspection of this boiler

I am Sir  
Your Obedient Servant  
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