

Barque Clara, 623 tons

With regard to the planks and timbers being found thoroughly rotten, there is no mistake. — the expression was not used, inconsiderately, or unthinkingly, it conveys the facts, and I believe the Owners were telegraphed, to come up and see for themselves. — In reference to the Side Keelsons and some planks in the bilges, the defects were at the butts chiefly, and only partial, consequently they were repaired or made good. —

In putting in the through fastenings, finding the butt bolts of outside planking were not through I had these deficiencies made good, in accordance with the practice pursued in
all cases of restoration } Samuel Presons
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