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Robt. E. Mudge Esq
Dear Sir

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I have a vessel on the stocks
alt. 200 tons Regist. which I wish to have
classed in your Book providing you can
give me something acceptable. The frame
is part second hand & part new, all new
at the Bilges, second Birch, Hackmatack,
& Spruce in other parts with a few second
hand English & Steffen Oak. The Stern and
Stern post is new, English Oak. Keelson
large and new, Kitch Pine, and I propose
planking her with 4 inch new Kitch Pine
outside and inside. Deck with second hand
Birch 4" to 6" & Bilges & above 4" & 3" new
Kitch Pine. She'll proceed & good waterways
& will build her in every respect as regards
fastenings in strict conformity with
your Rules. Mr. Carey has seen the frame
& can give you further particulars if
required & I shall be glad to know what
classification your Committee will give
me. I may add that I intend thoroughly
to salt her.

Yours
(Signed) William Allsup

The second hand materials of which the
frame is composed are generally good
and that which is at present unsatisfactory
is to be replaced with good material. also
seeing that the new part (1st & 2nd futtks) are
of Eng^l Ash & Elm principally, which stands