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ENCLOSURE.

2nd December 1898.

Dear Sir,

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, and have the pleasure to enclose herewith a list of the surveys which are now due, and will become due on your steamers during 1899.

In reply to your enquiry relative to the case of the steamer "AGNES", I am directed to say that the Society's Surveyors at this port who had the vessel under inspection in May 1897 states that the examination and repairs to the floors, etc. in the engine and boiler space ~~carried~~ out at that time might be considered as part of the 2nd Special Survey No.3, and that it will not be necessary to remove the close ceiling in the bunkers which was then done. Under the circumstances the Committee will allow this examination to be considered as part of the 2nd Special Survey No.3, provided the remainder of the survey be now completed. The following remains to be done to complete the survey: The bunkers to be cleared and a strake of ceiling each side therein to be lifted, and the limbers cleared for examination of floors, cement, etc; the plating to be drilled; all the close ceiling to be removed excepting in the bunkers; the plating under the side lights to be examined; all oxidation to be removed from the surfaces of the iron; the tanks to be examined internally and tested; the docks, masts, spars, rigging, pumps, sluice valves to be examined and mast wedges to be removed;

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the chain cables to be ranged; and the bottom to be examined in dry dock.

With reference to your remarks respecting the steamers "JULIA" & "BRUNETTE", I am directed to say that in the first named, the Special Survey No.2 was carried out at this port in March last with the exception of the clearing and examination of the starboard lower bunker and the repairing of three reverse frames in the starboard bunker.

As regards the "BRUNETTE", I think it well to draw your attention to your letter of the 21st December last, and my reply of the 4th January, from which you will observe that it was arranged that the Special Survey No.1 of this vessel should be completed when the new boilers were fitted, which, it was understood, would be done before the end of the present year. The bottom, chain cables and chain locker were examined in October 1897 as part of this survey.

Under the circumstances I shall be obliged if you will kindly let me know as soon as possible what arrangements you intend making in regard to the completion of the Special Surveys of the steamers "AGNES", "BRUNETTE" & "INDIA".

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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