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17th., June, 1898.

Dear Sirs,

In reply to your letter of today's date in reference to question of the furnaces for the boiler No.477 you are about to construct for the S.S."IRIS", I have to acquaint you that a thickness of furnace of  $\frac{5}{8}$ " will be sufficient for furnaces 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ " outside diameter if one Adamson ring be fitted near the centre of each furnace, provided the ring is placed so that the flat parts do not exceed 3'.10" long. If this arrangement is adopted stiffening angle or tee bars will also be required at the bottoms of combustion chambers, near their junctions with the furnaces.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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