

Messrs. Cairns, Noble & Co.'s S.S. "CAIRNBAHN".

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It is proposed to dispense with strong beams in the holds of this vessel, and to fit webs in lieu thereof, and plans showing the arrangements proposed were approved on the 13th instant.

A letter has now been received from the Leith Surveyors, enclosing one from the Owners, in which they desire that the depth of these webs might be somewhat reduced, either throughout, or by shaping them and leaving the width full at the stringer, as they state that the webs interfere with the stowage of wood cargoes, and they propose to compensate for this either by increasing the thickness of the web plates or by fitting larger face angles.

The Surveyors should be informed that the proposal to reduce the depth of the web frames will be approved as desired, provided the double face angles be increased in size, as indicated on the plans.

*Ln 17. 2. 09*  
*Ans: 18<sup>th</sup> (14<sup>th</sup>)*

*4 plans*

*C. B.*  
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