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Penmogan Isl of Skye
1st March 1877
"Robert Haolden"

Sir

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 26th Inst, and while I have noted your concluding remarks, it must be borne in mind that I am the injured party, and must submit to loss in the Jargon quarter.

I made a complaint to you, stating minutely what was wrong with the vessel, and to afford you our officials an opportunity of denying or verifying my statements I sent the vessel to Glasgow, and left her with them for four days, they were at perfect liberty to take



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any means they thought proper in
the matter, provided they put me to
no further expense - The more faults they
could find the stronger they made my
case.

In viewing this question it
must be observed that, it is not a
case for which a certificate is sought,
the certificate has been granted, but
according to my opinion has been issued
contrary, or at all events not in conformity
with the Rules of the Society - The result
of which has been that, the builder
was enabled through this certificate to
obtain more money from me than
he

he had ^{a right} ~~entitled~~ to. - Now I hold,
that I am entitled to have my work
brought up to a 10-12 years class, or be
paid compensation for his shortcomings.

I am,

Sir,

Yours Very Respectfully,
John J. Macdonald.

By Weymouth Esq
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Have the Glasgow any
remarks to make
on the statement
regarding the befall
while at their
port -

J.M.

Send copy of
last letter
to women.



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"Robert Madding"