

Cross Lane - St Mary at Hill

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Dear Sir

Just a mistake has been made in the Old Tonnage Measurement of my new ship recently built at Shields. Mr Pittous sent me an account for the Special Survey Charge computed by New Tonnage and I informed him that the Old Tonnage did not exceed 1100 tons upon which I paid the fee, but a reconsideration of board had done so in error. The ship was originally intended to be 1000 tons but the keel including the exposed length, she was made about two feet longer making now the keel & free deck 187 feet extreme breadth 34 feet 6 inches which gives an Old Tonnage of $1029 \frac{55}{94}$ tons. That would have a claim for return of the difference say 70 tons -

The ship was measured under the New act and made $1152 \frac{57}{100}$ tons but as that act does not come into operation till next year I cannot get the ship registered by it as intended.

I am Dear Sir
Yours truly
Chas Graham Esq. Geo Marshall