

21st April

Ann receipt of this & then previous ^{stand 18 years ago since} ^(dated 15th April) ^{ceiling}
and reg^d them that under all the circumstances, the Com^{rs}
have determined to class the "San Cusillo" 9th 1, with
an understanding that she is to be submitted to the inspection
of the principal Surveyors in London, on her arrival at this
port. -

I am instructed to add that the Com^{rs} have rec^d a
L^r from Mr. M^r M^rford in explanation of his proceedings in regard to
the Sp. Sur. of this vessel, & they see no reason whatever to
believe that he has in any way either neglected or exceeded his
duty in this case



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Mr. M did not see them put in with
his own eyes & which is not our fault,
we are ordered to put them in again, the
consequence is that in some of the top trunks
there are two trunks, none bolt through.
if this is not tyrannous we cannot tell
what is, & we are sure we would be
borne out in this expression by many
of the most respectable builders in this district.

We are disgraced too by these trunks,
having to be driven in the vessel while lying
loading in the South Dock, & not only
that but we think it was only fair
that Mr M should have stated these
things here before the signing the
report of paying the fees which he never
did —

Yours &c

Yours most respectfully

W. Barkley & Co

North Sands

FROM A WOOD SHED BUILDING YARD

Sunderland 17th April 1863.

Geo. B. Saffery Esq
Dear Sir

Since writing you on the 15th
we have gone fully into the objections of your Surveyor.
We have questioned the foreman who left us during
the building of the "Joan Cunliffe" & who had a
small share in the trunks that were started for
himself, his name is Robert Pace. he says when
he drove the ship off that fully two thirds of
the trunks were through in the top, after his leaving,
Mr. Mumford came & told our present foreman
that there was not sufficient through & he
had some men ~~two~~ ^{one} days driving those trunks
in according to Mr. Mumford's wish. which
can be readily proved if witnesses are arrayed
in these cases. as Mr. Barkley, Mr. Jones
the Captain whereby the ship is part owner,
the present foreman, Robert Pace, &
the foreman joining. byt forsooth because

1863

Irishland

Wm. Buckley

June 18



Joan Cunniff

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