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Dear Sirs,

REVISION OF FREEBOARD OF OPEN SHELTER-DECKERS:

We are in receipt of your favour of the 4th inst. addressed to The Hopemount Shipping Co. Ltd. but the only ship which The Hopemount Company owns classed by you is the Tanker "HOPEMOUNT" which of course does not come within the scope of the above.

S.S. "HOPESTAR" owned by The Wallsend Shipping Co. Ltd., managed by us, is however an open shelter-decker and, as you are aware, she is now lying at Swan Hunter & Wigham Richardson's Drydocks waiting to commence repairs and, although Owners in general through the Chamber of Shipping, have several questions to settle with the Ministry in relation to this instruction to close shelter-deck ships before they will be in complete agreement as to this being done, nevertheless it will be in order for you to take such preliminary steps as are necessary to close S.S. "HOPESTAR'S" shelter-deck.

Our superintendents for this ship are Messrs. Wilson & Burletson who will co-operate with you in this matter.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
STOTT MANN & FLEMING LTD.


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