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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

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Dear Sirs,

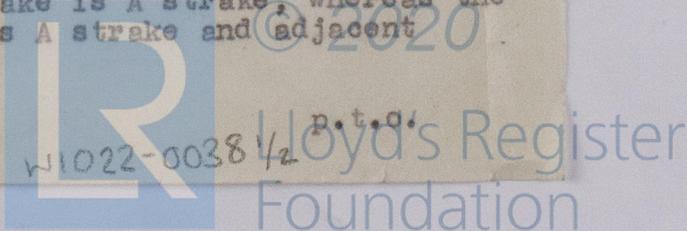
Reverting to your letter of the 16th December last regarding the steamer "CYDONIA", I have now received a letter from Mr. C. H. Stocks, the Society's Principal Surveyor for the Bristol Channel, who, as you are aware, has been in close touch with Messrs. Fergusson & Law in this case and I think I cannot do better than quote, for your information, an extract therefrom, viz:-

"Reverting to your enquiry of 20th December last as to the possibility of reconciling the number and position of indented shell plates with those enumerated in the list prepared by Hull Surveyors, I should say that the following 38 plates on Hull list do not appear on the comprehensive list of all damage prepared at Pembroke survey:-

- Starboard side.
 - E.4^x
 - E.12^x, 14^x, 16^x, 17^x
 - G.4^x, 7^x, 8^x, 13^x, 14^x, 18^x, 22^x
 - H.14^x, 15^x, 23^x
 - K.17^x, 18^x, 20^x

- Port side.
 - D.8^x
 - E.16^x
 - F.18^x, 22^x
 - G.17^x, 18^x, 22^x
 - H.8^x, 10^x, 12^x
 - J.7^x, 8^x, 9^x, 10^x, 12^x, 13^x, 20^x
 - K.2^x, 3^x
 - L.12^x

I have marked up the Shell Expansion Plan (1 port, 1 starboard) with blue rings indicating plates marked up at Pembroke and red rings indicating plates marked up in our reports. In looking at these plans it is important to remember that the reports refer to "keel" plates and so they infer that the adjacent strake is A strake, whereas the plan shows the keel as A strake and adjacent strake as B strake.



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It is also apparent that not all plates on the Hull list were numbered from aft, in particular Keel 1, 2 and A.1,2.

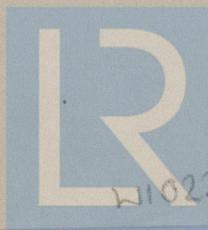
Finally there is no L strake except in way of the forecastle and poop if the strake next the keel is A strake. "

The shell expansion plans forwarded by Mr. Stocks are sent herewith for your information, but I shall be glad if you will be good enough to return them to me in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee

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