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January 11, 1949.

Dear Sirs,

S.S. "WENSLEYDALE" ex "OPHELIA"

With reference to your letter of December 23, I now return herewith two copies of plan showing timber stowage arrangement, on which recommendations have been indicated in red for the consideration of the owners.

Your attention is drawn to the plan which shows by means of a small sketch thereon, timber carried to a considerable height above the superstructure deck. In view of this, you might point out to the owners that the stability of the ship may be adversely affected and the matter should receive their careful consideration before carrying timber cargoes.

As you are aware, the loadline regulations for the carriage of timber cargoes on the freeboard or superstructure decks require that a forecastle and a poop be fitted. Compliance with the loadline regulations would therefore be possible if the stowage of wood deck cargoes was restricted to the forward well.

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,
HULL.

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