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14th November 1904

Messrs. LLOYDS SURVEYORS.,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the letter which your Mr. MacNeill left with us today, regarding the increased tonnage of No. 138 Ship, we would reply as follows -

1st. Hinged steel doors were fitted to front of poop and aft end of bridge after the vessel was otherwise entirely completed, which caused these spaces to be added to the tonnage of the ship.

2nd. The machinery space was measured and $1\frac{3}{4}$ times its actual size deducted from the gross tonnage instead of 32 per cent of the gross.

3rd. The crew spaces although eligible for deduction were not excluded, and

4th. The underdeck tonnage included the after peak tank.

With reference to the last para. of the letter, the tonnage for your fees will of course not be increased as your work on the ship was entirely completed before the latter was amended.

Yours faithfully.

FOR WILLIAM DOBSON & Co.

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