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DRAKELOW STEAMSHIP COMPANY LTD.,
CARDIFF,
14th September 1933.

Secretary,
Register of Shipping,
Arch Street,

s. "ACTON MANOR". We refer to your letter of the 8th instant, and point that your Cardiff Surveyor's Recommendations were based on recent examination, for which purpose the steamer was opened out. It now transpires that your Sunderland Surveyor has asked for extra work to be done, to which we cannot agree having regard for full specification sent out on the complete recommendations of Cardiff Surveyor.

s. "EMSWORTH MANOR". The same position appears to have arisen in Bristol also, and we request you to be good enough to instruct your Bristol Channel Surveyors, because the latter represent your class to whom alone we can be responsible. It is not consistent or feasible that Shipowners, particularly of this class, can be asked to comply with the demands of a Surveyor at another port in which the work may be effected differently from that of a Surveyor at another port who has made a thorough and complete examination and recommendations.

It is obvious that if Shipowners cannot rely upon the reports of Surveyors at any particular ports, steps will have to be taken to remedy the matter, and in the above cases we propose to withdraw the steamers altogether from Lloyd's Classification, placing them in a separate Classification if this state of affairs is to exist.

We have the "CHISWICK MANOR" now in Cardiff which we are preparing to examine for the purposes of survey, and we are desirous of having it accepted at whatever port the steamer may ultimately require repairs. Unless we have this assurance, you will appreciate that we should be forced to consider another Classification.

Yours faithfully,



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