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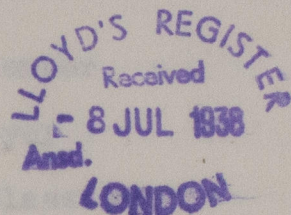
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The Secretary,  
Messrs. Lloyd's Register of Shipping,  
61, Fenchurch Street,  
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7th. July, 1938.

Dear Sir,

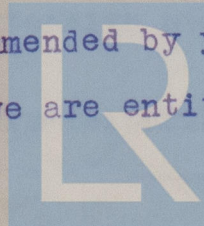
S.S. "AYMERIC"



With reference to the above vessel, which arrived at Calcutta on 24th. ult., we have to advise you our Resident Superintendent there has cabled us, stating that your Resident Surveyor has carried out an extensive examination of the Hull, condemning a large number of Shell Plates, Deck Plates, Bilge Brackets, etc., and the estimated cost of renewals is in the vicinity of some £15,000.-

We are quite at a loss to understand the reason of this examination, as she was submitted to your Resident Surveyor at Hong Kong, during February/March, 1937, for Second Special Survey No. 1 and all recommendations of the Surveyor were complied with.

We strongly protest against being called upon to do the work now recommended by your Calcutta Surveyor, and we think that we are entitled to assume



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A. W. & CO., to The Secretary, Messrs. Lloyd's Register 7/7/38.  
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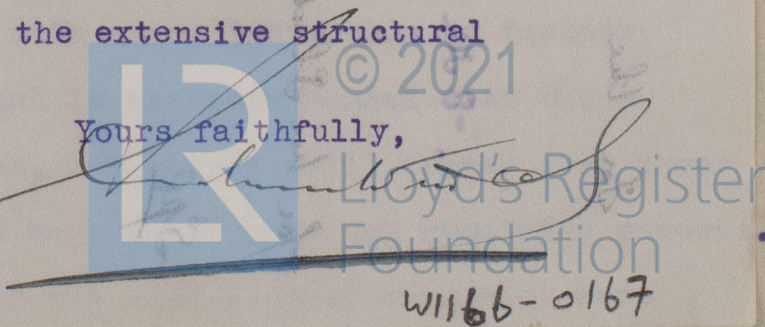
that, having complied with all requirements for the Second Special Survey No. 1, the vessel should run for four years, from date of Survey, without the necessity of carrying out major repairs.

She was drydocked at Sydney in December, 1937 and a Certificate granted by your Surveyor there recommended that she be continued as Class \* 100 A.1, and we have had no reports in this office, other than that she was in good order and condition.

We specially brought this vessel from Yokohama, in ballast, to load a cargo of Coal at Calcutta for Shanghai and, owing to the repairs now recommended by your Surveyor there, she has been unable to maintain her cancelling date, with the result that, apart from the cost of the repairs which we are called upon to carry out, we have suffered a serious financial loss, as the fixture cannot be maintained.

We need hardly say we are extremely disturbed to learn the condition of the vessel, as reported by your Calcutta Surveyor, and we trust that you will fully investigate the matter and advise us why it is now necessary to carry out the extensive structural repairs now recommended.

Yours faithfully,

  
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For the Chief Surveyors

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