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JOSS, SONS & CO.,

Steamship Owners and Brokers,

25, ABCHURCH LANE,

LONDON, E.C.

11th May 1906.

Dear Sirs,

S/S "VISIGOTH".

We are in receipt of your favour of yesterday's date enclosing extract of letter from the Chief Engineer of this vessel, from which we note that when the steamer was trimmed 4 feet by the stern there remained 15" of water at forward end of No 5 hold Bilge, although the well aft was dry. We have looked carefully into the plans, and our calculations shew that with the vessel in this trim it is impossible for there to be a greater depth of water than 6½" at the forward end, and, with this reduced to nothing about 30 feet aft, you will see that a very small quantity of water only could possibly remain in this bilge. We have never been in the habit of fitting strum boxes in this bilge, as we consider, for the above reason, they are quite unnecessary. We do not consider, therefore, that we can be held responsible for the fitting of the additional connections you speak of.

We trust this vessel had a satisfactory run to Antwerp.

We are, Yours faithfully,

(signed) ARCHD McMILLAN & SON. LTD
W.M. McMillan.

P.S.. We presume the Chief Engineer satisfied himself that all the limber holes in the floor ends were clear.