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s.s. "MARIE MOLLER"
Owners: Moller & Co. (Shanghai).

The 2nd S.S.No.3 became due in 4,35 and was partly held. Permission was granted to the Owners to take advantage of the year of grace, and subsequently an extension of four to six months beyond the expiration of the year of grace was agreed to by the Committee, provided a satisfactory general examination were held in Japan. The vessel docked at Hikoshima in June last, but left before being surveyed, and the Committee thereupon expunged the class with a Red Line.

The Owners now write stating that the ship was on time charter, and it was impossible to delay her in drydock to await the arrival of the Surveyor from Kobe. They refer to the competitive conditions of the Pacific trade, and consider that the Committee should allow a certain latitude as circumstances sometimes arise which make it impossible for the Shipowner to fulfil the exact letter of the rules and regulations. They state that they make no critical comment against the Society, and regret they have been compelled to apply to the British Corporation for classification.

It is submitted no action is necessary.

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