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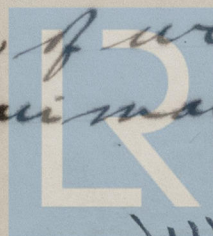
Sir

With reference to the Secretary's letter dated 15th inst. respecting the steamer "Carnarvon" built at Paisley by Messrs How, McFadden & Co and enclosing a letter received from the Owners of this vessel regarding alleged defects in the stowage of the masts, I beg to state that the vessel was built under my survey and the beams in way of the masts were efficiently pillared.

The derrick on the foremast (referred to as the main mast) was used for putting on board heavy lifts before leaving, heavier than the ship's own gear was suitable for and no sign of weakness was observed. The main mast (referred to



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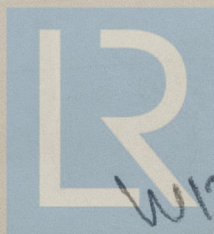
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as the thirren mast) was a light steel
mast, the chief purpose of which
was to serve as an upstake for
the galley funnel. at the owners
request a small derrick was
fitted for lifting light passengers
supplies.

With regard to the first paragraph
of the owners letter I may say that
the owners representative was in
this country for about a month
before the completion of the vessel
and he expressed himself to the
builders as quite satisfied with
the vessel.

I am, Sir
Your obedient servant
J.D. Mares.

The Secretary
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