

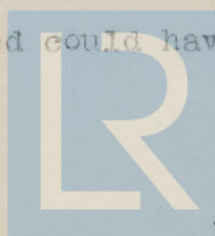
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3rd March 1906.

Dear Sirs,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th January respecting the steamer "Camosun", built to your order by Messrs Bow McLachlan & Co. of Paisley last year under the special survey of the Society's Surveyors, and have to acquaint you that the matters in connexion with this vessel's construction to which you refer have been carefully investigated.

With regard to the masts the Society's Surveyors state that the beams of the vessel in way of the masts were efficiently pillared, the derrick on the foremast was used for putting on board heavier weights than the ship's own gear was suitable for, and no signs of weakness were observed. The deck plating upon which it stepped was additionally supported by a steel bulkhead on its upper side. The mainmast is a light steel mast, the chief purpose of which was to serve as an uptake for the galley funnel, and in accordance with your request a small derrick was fitted to it for use in lifting passengers luggage. As regards the electric lighting installation, the Surveyors report that the work was carried out to their satisfaction. The wires were not bunched together more than is usual in ship lighting; the installation was good and there was nothing in the installation which it was considered could have resulted in/



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in danger by fire.

I need hardly add that ~~any work~~ the Committee would very much regret if you considered that any work on the vessel was not carried out in a thoroughly efficient manner, and they trust that no further difficulty will arise.

I may remark with regard to the first paragraph of your letter that it appears that for a period of about a month before the completion of the vessel a gentleman representing your Company was present, and that he expressed himself as being quite satisfied with the vessel.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to the
Classification Committee.

Messrs The Union S.S. Co. of British Columbia Ltd.

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