

C O P Y
LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

Vancouver, B.C. - January 3rd, 1922.

The Secretary,

New York.

Dear Sir:-

Herewith I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, replying to my letter of the 20th ultimo, concerning copy of proceedings at inquiry on S.S. "CANADIAN IMPORTER".

I beg to state that on receiving your telegram as follows:-

"CANADIAN IMPORTER ENDEAVOR CANCEL LIABILITY COPY PUBLICATION
EXPENSE CONSIDERED UNJUSTIFIABLE"

I endeavored to cancel liability in so far as I explained the case to a lawyer, and acted upon his advice, when I informed the Court Stenographer that I had received a telegram from my Head Office informing me that the copy of publication expense was considered unjustifiable. It was also upon the lawyer's recommendation that I obtained one copy at a cost of \$150.00, instead of \$265.70 first quoted.

I may say that I took this action after giving the case serious thought, and as your telegram did not reply to my enquiry as to whether I might obtain one copy on the Society's behalf, I concluded the publication expense of \$265.70 was considered unjustifiable, but hoped that under the condition the amount of \$150.00 could be approved.

I felt that according to law I was not liable although the lawyer whom I consulted would not admit this nevertheless I realized that a mistake had been made, and I blame myself for having discussed a matter with which I was not familiar over the telephone with a party who also was not known to me.

I am sorry that my action in obtaining this copy of publication for the Society is not in order, but I am pleased to be able to correct my mis-judgment to some extent by refunding the amount \$150.00 to the Society's credit at this Port on March 1st.

As mentioned in your letter I am aware that I received no instructions to procure this copy on behalf of the Society, also you are correct in gathering from my statement that no written application was made, and that I had no intention to request any document as has now been supplied to me.

I much regret having been a party in a misunderstanding, also for having made a misjudgment in disbursing the Society's funds.

Yours very truly,

(sgd) Evan Edwards.



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