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LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING,

Lowgate, Hull.

19th March, 1921.

Enclosure.

Dear Sir,

As requested by your letter of the 18th instant respecting the cylinders of the S.T. "AVANT GARDE", Amos & Smith's No. 3185, I beg to forward my journal and list of dates regarding this number. The list of dates are as follows—  
June 22, 29. July 6, 7, 26. August 12, 25, 26, 28. Sept. 2, 10, 16, 20, 31. Oct. 4. Nov. 16, 19, 20, 25. Dec. 2, 4, 9, 23.  
Feb. 9, 16.

The special dates on which the cylinders were examined are as follows, :- July 26th, Aug. 25th, 26th & Sept. 16th.

I may further state that about this time Messrs. Amos & Smith had a large amount of trouble with bad castings in their foundry, one of the cylinders in question being the 4th cast before it was accepted. It may be noted that Messrs. Carnaghan & McKeand held a special survey on cylinders made by Messrs. Amos & Smith for Messrs. McKie & Baxter, Govan, Glasgow, previous to this. I also called in Mr. Harbottle regarding these bad castings as noted in my journal Oct. 8th and Sept. 13th, 1920, for No. 3186 a sister set of machinery, and may state that Messrs. Amos & Smith did all they could to remedy the trouble they had in the Foundry, which has now been overcome.

I am, Dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully,

(Signed) J.G. Mackillop.

P.S. Report forwarded is returned herewith.

The Secretary,  
LONDON.

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