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61, rue de la Bourse,

Havre, 3rd March 1921

The SECRETARY  
LONDON.

## S/S "AVANT-GARDE"

Dear Sir,

We have been requested by the Chief Engineer of the Soc. LES PECHERIES FRANCAISES at Fecamp to examine the L.P. Cylinder of the main engine of the above named vessel, the maker of which is understood to be Messrs AMOS & SMITH of HULL.

Accordingly on examination of the cylinder this day the walls of the cylinder were found to be badly pitted as shewn in sketch herewith and it is the opinion of the undersigned that the state of the cylinder is not good.

According to a report of Owners' Representative dated 19th Sept. 1920, it is understood that objection was raised to the casting and it is possible that the pitting has developed since being seen by the Surveyor who examined it. The vessel leaves FECAMP in about 8 days' time and if it is convenient for a London Surveyor to attend we think this advisable in view of the Owner refusing to accept the cylinder, otherwise it will be necessary to examine it again at the end of this coming voyage.

In respectfully suggesting this action, we assume that the cylinder has not been given a limit. This vessel is quite new and we have no record of her in this office.

We beg to remain,

Yours faithfully,

Per,

The Surveyors,

P.S.- We beg to be informed by wire in the event of a London Surveyor attending.

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