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14th., November, 1905.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 2nd. instant submitting for the consideration of the Committee the plan, in duplicate, of the donkey boiler designated No. 44 which has been constructed by The Newport News Shipbuilding Co., but not under the Society's inspection, and which has now been sold to the Owner of the new oil vessel No. 44 at present under construction by this Company who desires the same to be accepted by the Committee.

The scantlings of the boiler have been looked into, and I am directed to state that, in this instance, the Committee will be prepared to approve of the same for a working pressure of 180 lbs per square inch, provided you make a thorough and careful examination of the boiler, and it be found to be of good workmanship and to have been built in accordance with the plan, and it be satisfactorily tested by hydraulic pressure in accordance with the Rule requirements.

The sworn statement as to the steel used in the construction of the boiler having been tested to the satisfaction of the U.S. Treasury Department, together with a copy of the tests of same

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are returned herewith as desired, and the plans of the boiler are being forwarded to your address by Commercial Papers post.

The confirmation of the code cablegram sent you today in connection with this case, conveying the Committee's decision, is also enclosed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

Hunter Esq.,
BALTIMORE.



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