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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

20th July, 1916.

Dear Mr. French,

I wrote to you on the 13th instant relative to the steamers "ACADIAN" and "D.A.GORDON", and we have since received Mr. Hutchinson's letter of the 7th July enclosing one from Mr. Benson, the Society's Surveyor at Toronto, intimating that these steamers, with the "FORDONIAN" are to be classed with the British Corporation. In view of this letter, unless I hear from you to the contrary, we shall conclude that the notice given to Mr. Benson by the Owners is equivalent to a request for the withdrawal of the steamers from the Society's Classification, and they will be submitted to the Committee accordingly.

In the circumstances, I think it is undesirable that we should enter upon what must be an unnecessary correspondence with the Owners on the subject.

Yours faithfully,

James French, Esq.,

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