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10th October 1907.

Gentlemen,

M I duly received Mr. McAuslan's letter of the 26th ultimo, enclosing one from the Clyde Shipbuilding & Engineering Co., respecting the equipment proposed for the steamer No. 273 building by them with a view to being classed A1, "Great Lakes Service", and I have to inform you that the Builders' proposals have been carefully looked into, and have received the consideration of the General Committee at their Meeting today.

It is observed that the stream chain, hawsers and warps proposed are equivalent to the requirements of the Rules, but that as regards the anchors and chain cables the Builders propose to omit the second bower anchor, to dispense with the stream anchor and to supply 60 fathoms less chain cable than required by Table 22.

The Committee regret they do not see their way to agree to these suggestions, but they will be prepared to sanction the omission of the third bower anchor, provided the

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rest of the equipment be as required by Table 22, and subject to the consent of the Owners of the vessel being obtained, and I am directed to request that you will be so good as to inform the Builders accordingly.

The approved sketches of midship section and profile forwarded for reference are returned herewith.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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