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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

22nd August, 1919.

Dear Sirs,

S. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant with reference to the teak 4-masted Schooner "BANGKOK", recently built at Bangkok to the order of your goodselves, and in reply to your inquiry I have to explain that the Society's local Surveyor forwarded to this Office in March last year the plans of the proposed vessel, which were amended and approved and returned to the Surveyor, with a view to a classification being assigned of A1 for 16 years.

The Surveyor in question has now forwarded a report stating that the vessel has been built generally in accordance with, or equivalent to, the approved plans, and he has recommended her for the class proposed, viz:- 16A1.

Unfortunately the Surveyor's report is incomplete in certain particulars and he has accordingly been instructed by cable to furnish further information, and I need hardly say that as soon as this comes to hand the matter will be at once placed before the Committee of this Society for their consideration.



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I should add that in the circumstances I have cabled to the Society's Surveyor at Port Natal (where it is noted the vessel has now returned dismasted) to the following effect:-

"Schooner Bangkok was built under special survey
"at Bangkok with view class 16A1 but complete
"reports awaited from Surveyor".

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. The East Asiatic Co. Ltd.,

158 Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.



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