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The Secretary
Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 11th inst relating to the Hopper Barge B.H.C.13 and in reply thereto I have to state that the repairs on this small craft have not been hurried, very few men being employed on her and she has been twice removed from dry dock to enable other vessels to occupy same.

It being stipulated by the Owners that previous to their acceptance of the Barge she should be fully loaded and discharged under working conditions, it was considered advisable to witness this test which was arranged for and when the vessel was filled to the top of the hatchway coamings with

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slush from a dredger, leakage was discovered from the deck angles to coamings, which could not have been placed under water pressure in any other way, but which angles had proved tight under hose test.

It should be noted that the coamings are pierced to allow water to escape, but in actual working the slush etc prevents this and the coamings are filled to overflowing always, whilst being loaded.

The leaks found have been made tight and the barge will be again placed under the dredger at five o'clock tonight and examined tomorrow when fully loaded.

I trust that the above information is what you require, observing that Rep. 8 will be forwarded immediately on completion of survey.

I am Sir,
Your obedient servant
E. J. Milton

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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor.

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