

Swansea 15/4/1902

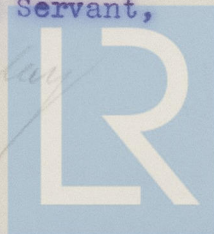
Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst. which has not been acknowledged earlier on account of the Easter Holidays, and in reply thereto, I beg to say that my recollection of the shaft is very clear. This vessel docked on Saturday afternoon the 22nd March, and the shaft was examined on Monday the 24th March, when the Master's attention was drawn to the condition of it, also to several rivets in rudder being slack, he said he would communicate with his owner, and on the next day the 25th I have a note of the rudder rivets being renewed, & bottom coated, & that a new shaft was to be fitted in six months. The vessel undocked on the morning of the 26th March, so I think you will agree that there was no delay on my part.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sd/-) Jas Barclay



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