

LLOYD'S REGISTER
126 HIGASHI MACHI,
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27th November, 1919.

Messrs. The Osaka Shosen Kaisha,
Kobe.

Dear Sirs:

With reference to the classification of your steamer "Niitaka Maru", it has occurred to me that perhaps you may reconsider the decision to withdraw the vessel from class if I state that all that is necessary for maintaining the class is that the boilers should be surveyed as soon as possible. For this purpose it is not necessary to dock the vessel.

The next Special Survey is not due until 1921 and the screw shaft having a continuous liner may run for another year if working satisfactorily.

The question of the 60 fms. of chain cable will not affect the retention of the 100A class.

It seems a pity to drop the class of a vessel only fifteen years old when it can so easily be maintained.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

A. D. Jones
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register.

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