

Messrs. J.L.Thompson &amp; Sons' No.588

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed that an examination of the approved plans shews that the scantlings of the frames, double bottom, shell, weather deck, beams, pillars and girders and hatch webs are only in accordance with the requirements of the Rules for a complete superstructure vessel. There is no reference on these plans to any increase beyond the Rule requirements in respect of the keel and sheer-strake, but a small increment was added to the thickness of the weather deck plating on account of concentration of loading amidships. If the tonnage opening is closed and an increase in draught is desired, it would be necessary to provide compensation in respect of the above items, the nature and extent of this compensation will depend upon the increase in draught desired. The Surveyors might therefore discuss the matter with the Builders and ascertain their wishes in this respect when the matter will be examined in detail.

Ltr. 15.9.  
Ansd. 17.9

*JKE* (EP) *5.8.*  
16.9.38.

*For Mr Bryden.*



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