

S. S. "GRETASTON".

In his letter to the Secretary, dated 18th July, Colonel Lithgow states that his usual practice in vessels of the "Gretaston" type, before the introduction of the Revised Rules, was to add 1/20th of an inch to the Rule thickness of the bridge deck plating, exclusive of the stringer plate. He therefore desires to know what the compressive stress at the bridge deck would have been in the "GRETASTON" had the ship been constructed to the present Rules with the additional deck thickness suggested, the condition of the vessel being with all ballast tanks filled and 2,000 tons of coal stowed amidships (Condition "C" on page 2 of the memorandum dated 7.7.24).

It is submitted Colonel Lithgow be informed that the compressive stress at the bridge deck under the conditions described would be 8.3 tons per square inch.

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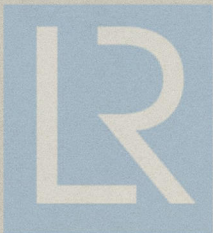
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