

THE STEAMSHIP COMPANY LTD
CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT.
LONDON

REC'D 19 DEC 1917

TELEGRAMS: "BOOTH, LIVERPOOL"

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CUNARD BUILDING,
LIVERPOOL.

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71 Fenchurch Street, LONDON E.C.

Sirs,

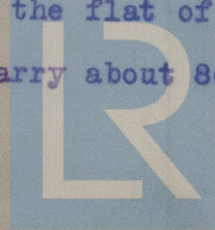
S. S. "POLYCARP" - NO 540

We are advised by the Builders that your Glasgow
Surveyors have raised the question of coating the inside of
Hull Tanks on flat of shell with bituminous enamel instead
of portland cement. Messrs. Barclay, Curle wish us to confirm
that this procedure has been adopted at our express desire,
and we now have pleasure in doing so.

Perhaps the reason for this departure from the more usual
practice of cementing may be of interest to you, namely :

Early last year the Ministry of Shipping issued a circular
siring Shipowners to make provision to carry as much deadweight
possible.

We therefore set about to reduce the weight of the ship as
far as practicable, and by coating the flat of shell with bit-
uminous enamel instead of cement, we can carry about 80 tons more cargo.



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Deck Stringer Plate,
breadth & thickness

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Messrs. Cail's Bitmo Co., Newcastle-on-Tyne, who have done a number of vessels on these lines will no doubt be able to give you full particulars of them.

Yours faithfully,

THE BOOTH STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED

Naval Architect

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Deck Stringer Plate,
breadth & thickness

Angles on ditto, No.

Tie Plates outside Hatchways

Spacing

BEAMS, Second Deck, Single Angle, Bulb

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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyors

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