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RAMAGE & FERGUSON LTD.,

West Pier,

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25th August, 1922.

Messrs. Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
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Dear Sirs,

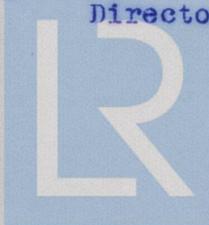
We have been asked to tender for converting the S.S. "POLITICIAN" from ordinary cargo carrying vessel into carrying Whale Oil in bulk in the Lower Holds. The present bulkheads are to be retained and two new Transverse Bulkheads erected, one in the After Hold and one in No. 2 Hold. A centre line Oil Tight Bulkhead is to be fitted all fore and aft and generally the vessel to be made suitable for carrying Whale Oil in bulk home from the South Sea Whale Station. What we would like to know is with the addition of the Longitudinal Bulkhead would the present Transverse Bulkheads be sufficiently strong to do this work without any additional stiffening. We presume that no extra rivetting would be necessary either in Shell, Bulkheads or Decks. The specific gravity of this Oil is .923, and it is not of a penetrative character. An early answer to this would much oblige.

Yours truly,

Ramage & Ferguson Ltd.

(Sgd.) Alex. J. Ferguson.

Director & Secretary.



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