



Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

3, Steinhoeft,

Hamburg, 10th January, 1924.

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L. W. M.

Reference

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 2nd inst. and the copy of the report forwarded by the Jacksonville Surveyors regarding the survey held on the 5th December, last at that port on the motor yacht "R I P P L E" built by Messrs. Fried. Krupp A.G. Germaniawerft Kiel I am enclosing herewith a letter drawn up by Mr. Priess and Mr. Witt dealing with the Jacksonville Surveyors report generally and the three points specifically mentioned therein.

A copy of the list of the 55 items referred to by Mr. Boyle has also been obtained from the Builders and is enclosed herewith.

Examination of this list indicates that there is no justification for the broad statement made by the Jacksonville Surveyor that the work necessitated on account of all items with possibly one exception is due to defective material or poor workmanship. There is even less justification for the statement that the compressors were out of line when the vessel



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was leaving the Builders yard . The vessel underwent extensive trials at which Mr. Blair of Messrs. Cox & Stevens was present with Mr. Priess, Mr. Witt and experts from the Germaniawerft staff. All were agreed that the machinery was in efficient working condition and the explanation of the damage found on the vessel's arrival at Jacksonville is much more correctly to be attributed to the rough weather she experienced on the voyage and the nature of the repairs carried out at Bermudas.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

A. Christophers

The Secretary,

LONDON.



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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor
and the Chief Engineer Surveyor.

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