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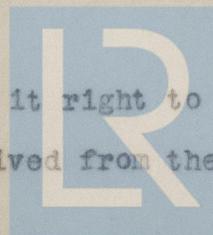
Dear Sirs,

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Reverting to the correspondence between us in October last, relative to the repairs recommended to your steamer "SHIRLEY" and the Special Survey No. 3 due on this vessel, I beg to acquaint you that the Committee have had before them today a further communication from the Society's Surveyor at Calcutta to the effect that in his opinion the repairs to the decks, bulkheads, &c. should not be postponed, and that the main boiler furnaces should be renewed or jacked up in view of their condition when last examined.

The Surveyor states that he informed the Master in a letter dated 14th September last that he would be unable to report to the Committee that the decks and other parts are fit to run for another five or six months, as suggested by the Master, and that these matters should be dealt with very shortly. The Surveyor suggested that they might be done at the same time as the furnaces were dealt with, say within two months from that date.

The Committee think it right to let you know the report which has now been received from the Surveyor at Calcutta



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Calcutta, and I am to add that, in the circumstances, they feel there is no option but to require that repairs must at once be effected to the satisfaction of the Society's Surveyors if the vessel is to retain her class in the Society's Register Book.

The Committee will therefore be glad if you will kindly state what steps you propose taking in the matter.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

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