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CALCUTTA.

September 14th, 1912.

Captain R.R. Stone.

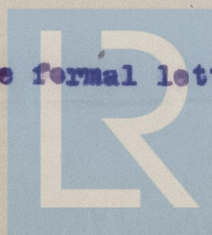
S. S. "SHIRLEY".

Dear Sir,

With regard to the decks, and various other parts of your vessel which require to be repaired, I am sorry that I cannot report to the Committee that these are fit to run for another five or six months, as you have suggested.

These matters should be dealt with very shortly, and I suggest that they might be done at the same time as the furnaces are dealt with, say within the next two months.

I enclose herewith the formal letter about these



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repairs, and am sorry that I am unable to meet your wishes regarding the postponement of the repairs.

I may say that when the vessel was seen by me in January last, the repairs were allowed to remain over as I understood that your ship would be proceeding home very shortly for repairs to be carried out.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-, John. H. Mackiray.



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