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British and Chilean Steamship Company, Limited.

LLOYD'S REGISTER.
LONDON.

Seaton Buildings,

REC'D 29 MAY 1915

ANS'D 1/6 *Apr 29* 17, Water Street,

Liverpool 28th May, 1915.

The Secretary,

Lloyd's Register of British & Foreign Shipping,
LONDON.

Dear Sir,

You will recollect that some time ago on behalf of friends, we bought the Schooner "GLANOGWEN". We purchased her on the basis of the survey being passed. The survey was passed, and she was classed in your Corporation, but a fortnight after she had gone to sea, she was found to be - though just classed by you - about as rotten as a very bad pear.

We made trouble about this matter, and a short time afterwards contracted to sell the "DELMIRA", we as sellers re-classing her. We were informed by the local surveyors that in view of what had happened in the case of the "GLANOGWEN", very stringent instructions were given to the surveyors in regard to the classification of vessels in course of being sold. The result of this was that we incurred very heavy expenses in the case of the "DELMIRA" over and above what we



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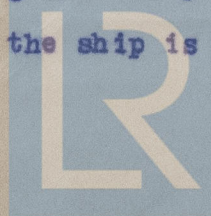
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believe we should have incurred in re-classing the vessel, if it was not that we were selling her.

We are now negotiating for the purchase of the "ARMONIA", No.1471 in your Register. She is now in Genoa, and the basis on which we shall purchase is full classification passing your second No.3 survey. *We cannot inspect under present conditions.*

We believe the vessel is now in drydock undergoing survey, and we suggested to your Chief Surveyor here that in the circumstances it was desirable for you to communicate with your Surveyor in Genoa giving him instructions to be particular in the classification, as vessel was being sold. Mr. Williamson however declines to intervene.

We cannot understand the culpably casual manner in which the survey of the "GLANOGWEN" was passed on the one hand; the excessive stringency which was shewn in the case of the "DELMIRA"; and the refusal which we have received to advise your Genoa Surveyor of the circumstances governing the survey of the "ARMONIA". If we purchase it is relying upon your survey, and in view of what has passed, we respectfully submit that you should communicate by telegram with your Genoa Surveyor asking him to specially satisfy himself that in every respect the ship is worthy to be given her classification.





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We do not think there is time to leave
the matter to be dealt with by letter, and hence ask you to
kindly give prompt consideration to the case, *telegraph*
accordingly to Yours truly,
soon. *Adams*



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

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Mr. Mayne

By wire

Don't forget.

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