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High Close,

Wokingham, Berks.

10th September, 1940.

S Dear Sirs,

With reference to the case of the steamer "EMPIRE ENGINEER", I beg to acquaint you the Committee have today had before them the report of the inspection recently held on this vessel in drydock by the Society's Surveyors at West Hartlepool.

The Surveyors report that previous damage to the stem and stem plating was found to have been temporarily repaired and it is recommended that permanent repairs be effected at the first convenient opportunity; also that shell plates E.3 and F.4 starboard side, together with the framing in way, be dealt with at your convenience.

The Boiler and Screwshaft Surveys have also been held at this time.

In view of the report now received it has been decided to assign to the vessel a notation of 100A1 Reclassification Contemplated, together with a notation of Examined 8,40, indicative of the fact that from the parts now seen the vessel is considered to be in a satisfactory condition to trade for a period of six months from that date.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

Messrs. Weldner, Hopkins & Co.,
34, Dean Street,
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With reference to the case of the steamer "EMERALD" which was reported to have been damaged by a mine on the 1st September, 1940, the following information is being furnished to you for your information.

The surveyors report that previous damage to the hull and stern plating was found to have been temporarily repaired and it is recommended that permanent repairs be effected at the first convenient opportunity. Also that the hull plates Nos. 1 and 2, starboard side, together with the framing in way, be dealt with at your convenience.

The boiler and lowermost surveys have also been held at this time.

In view of the fact that the report has been received, it has been decided to make a further examination of the hull and stern plating and to examine the hull together with a portion of the lowermost of the hull from the keel to the bottom of the hull in a period of six months from that date.

The surveyors have also reported that the hull and stern plating is in good condition and that the lowermost of the hull is in good condition.

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