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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

13th October, 1920.

Dear Sirs,

Reverting to my letter of the 6th instant and Mr. Martell's semi-official enquiry of the 7th instant, respecting the three ex-German vessels that have recently arrived or are due to arrive in the Firth of Forth, and are intended to be laid up pending sale, I have to acquaint you that as the survey desired in these cases is not for a Certificate that the vessels are fit to run for a period or for a voyage, and the Ministry of Shipping have intimated that the expense of opening up and of dry docking is not to be incurred, it will not be essential for the engines and boilers to be opened up for complete examination.

As, however, your reports in these cases may be employed for the information of prospective purchasers of the vessels, it is important that you should make perfectly clear the limited character of your survey, setting forth in detail the parts that have been examined.

A description should be given of the engines, boilers, and the auxiliaries, and if any parts are opened up, you should examine them and state their condition in

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the report.

You should also set forth the important parts which you have not been able to completely examine on account of their not having been opened up.

At the same time, you should say, where practicable, the working pressures of the main and donkey boilers approved by the German Authorities, and the dates of the last examinations, if these particulars can be obtained from the papers on board the vessels.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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