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Dear Sir,

The enquiry into the loss of the "JOSEPH MEDILL" opened this morning before Judge Richardson. Evidence has been given by the Builders' Representatives and by the Captain who took the sister vessel "FRANQUELIN" to Canada. Various questions have been asked regarding scantlings and the merits of welding as compared with riveting. So far this evidence has been that welding is as reliable as riveting. Some discussion has taken place regarding the scantlings which could be approved for a vessel of similar dimensions and design for service in the Atlantic, and further information regarding this matter is desired by the Court. To enable me to give the desired information will you please arrange for an outline Midship Section to be prepared showing the scantlings which could be approved for an exact duplicate as regards form and arrangement, of the "JOSEPH MEDILL", but suitable for unrestricted service and to comply with the Society's requirements for the full 100A.1 Class at full loading, i.e. about 17'-5" moulded summer draught. This section

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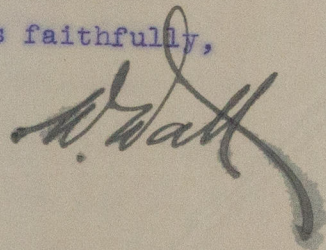
should be posted to me at the Newcastle Office so as to reach me on Thursday morning.

Mr. Akester and Mr. Riddell have not yet given evidence, but they will be required to do so tomorrow.

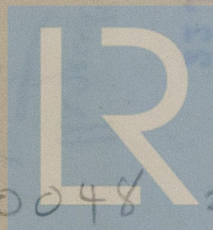
So far there is no reflection on the Society.
Mr. Ingledew has been in attendance all day.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,



The Secretary,
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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor,
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