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55, Fawcett Street,

Sunderland, 24th March, 1936.



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Reference

Dear Mr. Barwick,

We have got the first day of the enquiry finished and good progress has been made. It has the appearance of a friendly enquiry and from ~~Council's~~ ^{Council's} opening statement no charge is being made by the Board against any one.

The Board of Trade evidence was almost completed before lunch, and after lunch our four Surveyors were put in the box. They only took half an hour and practically no questions were asked. Millar had to answer a few questions about the bulkwark damage at Hartlepool shortly before the ship sailed on her last voyage, but he was able, I think, to satisfy them.

The owners followed and then a number of stevedores from Manchester. That concluded the days events and the stevedores from Hartlepool will follow to-morrow. The Case is expected to end Thursday night or Friday morning.

Mr. Metcalfe a partner in Engledew & Co's has been in attendance all day and will be following the Case throughout.

The Sheaf Brook will be the next case here but the

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enquiry will not commence until about 24th April.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

W. Wall

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