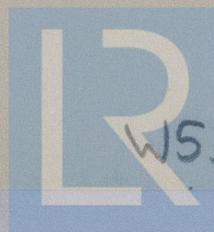


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Hamish McGavin PATON will say :-

I am a Senior Ship and Engineer Surveyor to
Lloyd's Register of Shipping. I surveyed the S.S.
"VARDULIA" for freeboard on the 7th, 8th and 11th April,
1932 at Swansea. I produce my Survey Report No. 25043.
The statements contained in it are accurate to the best
of my knowledge and belief. In particular, the details
as to the protection to openings of hatchways on freeboard
and superstructure decks which appear on page 3 of my Report
were made by me after I myself made the measurements
mentioned in my Report.



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