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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

8th October, 1917.

Dear Sirs,

I have to acquaint you that in February last the Society's Surveyors at Newport News reported that the Steamer "CACIQUE" had been surveyed on account of damage, and they recommended that the main and lower deck beams, girders, the bars, and hatch coamings should be repaired on the Vessel's return to the United States. They also recommended that a bower anchor and 30 fathoms of chain cable which had been lost and since recovered should be placed on board at the earliest opportunity. The Vessel returned to New York in June when the Owners intimated that they were unable to deal with the repairs, and asked that the matter might be allowed to stand over until the Vessel's return from her prospective voyage.

It is now observed that the Steamer has left Colon for Philadelphia, and I shall therefore be glad to learn in due course what action is taken at your Port as regards the above matters. At the same time, I have to point out that the Annual Boiler Survey became due so long ago as February 1916, and should be held without delay.

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You will be good enough to advise me immediately should this Survey not be held at the present time.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

PHILADELPHIA.



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