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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

20th September, 1935.

Dear Sirs,

M.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Caldwell's letters of the 19th instant in further reference to the case of the S.S. "LA CRESCENTA", and I note that his report No. 31,000 should be amended as follows :-

"Starboard side F strake No.1 plate cropped and part renewed, should read - Port side F strake No. 1 plate cropped and part renewed."

If the above is correct Mr. Caldwell should state if any repairs were carried out on plate F.1 starboard, and if the Board of Trade are correct in their reference to "a broken scarph in the seam of plate F.1 on the starboard side."

If necessary an amended letter should be forwarded.

Mr. Caldwell's attention is also called to the letter he wrote on your behalf, and to his statement that he had endeavoured to trace plate F.1 starboard without success, and that it is concluded etc.

As the letter required will be produced in Court Mr. Caldwell should be careful not to make any statement for which he cannot accept full responsibility, and if he cannot trace the history of this plate from his Journal or notes, or recall it to memory, he should say so.

The Surveyors,

SUNDERLAND.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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