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5th December, 1904.

Gentlemen,

I duly received your letter of the 30th ultimo respecting the case of the Steamer "STAR OF SCOTLAND", and with regard thereto I have to request that you will state for the information of the Committee why you took upon yourselves to consent to the omission of the rudder stops in question without first submitting the matter for the consideration of the Committee.

I have also to request that you will state whether the omission of the stops was arranged by you to be compensated for by any other means, and further why you did not call the Committee's attention in your first entry report to the omission of the stops.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,
BELFAST.



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