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Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 7th. instant respecting the collection of the Machinery Survey Fees in the cases of the steamers "MARIE" and "NORA", we beg to state that the incomplete Ist. Entry Reports on the Machinery of these vessels were forwarded to us from London, and on these reports the total fee marked thereon, in each case, was £12-6-0, of which a portion, viz.; £4-2-0, was marked in pencil to be collected at Antwerp, the sum of £8-4-0 having been applied for in Sunderland on the 3rd. August last, as stated on the report, and we were guided accordingly in dealing with the matter, it being evident that an application had been made in Sunderland for the major portion of the fee which would be collected by the Surveyors at that port.

We would add that our application to the Shipbuilders, for payment of a portion of the Machinery survey fee was received by them with some surprise, and we were informed that their contract with the Engine Builders included payment by the latter of all survey fees due on the machinery.

We were given to understand that the Shipbuilders paid the part fee, asked for by us, as a matter of courtesy, and by arrangement with their contractors for the Machinery.

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It is therefore clear to us that the unpaid portions of the fees should be collected by the Sunderland Surveyors, whose application for the same to the Engine Builders is stated on each report as having been made on the 3rd. August last.

We would further observe that the Machinery for vessels built at this port is usually constructed elsewhere and merely fitted on board here, and that, except in the cases of the steamers " MARIE " & " NORA ", no application would appear to have ever been made from this office for payment of a Machinery Survey Fee or any portion thereof to the local Shipbuilders- the practice having been for the fee to be collected from the Engine Builders & a portion thereof credited to this office for the supervision of the fitting on board of the engines & boilers.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient Servants.

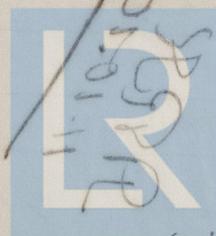
The Surveyors,

per :-

J. M. R. G.

The Secretary,

London.



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