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19th December 1914.

Dear Sirs,

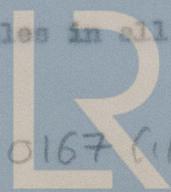
M With reference to your letter of the 14th instant forwarding plans of the steel screw steamers Nos. 688, 689, 691 & 692 proposed to be built by you, I beg to acquaint you that in view of the arrangement of watertight bulkheads proposed the case has received the consideration of the General Committee.

With regard thereto I am directed to inform you that the special survey of the vessels during construction may be proceeded with, but that before the vessels are classed in the Register Book it will be necessary for a letter from the actual purchasers to be furnished requesting the omission of the bulkheads dispensed with.

If this be done a suitable notation will be made in the Register Book in respect of the bulkheads.

The plans are returned herewith, and I have to state that provided the scantlings and arrangements as shown and amended be adhered to; the Rules in all other respects

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be complied with, and the materials and workmanship be to the Society's satisfaction, the vessels will be eligible to be classed LOCAL, subject to a notation being made in the Society's Register Book, and to a letter being received from the Owners in regard to the arrangement of bulkheads.

I shall be glad if you will be so good as to forward in due course for the consideration of the Committee a plan of widely spaced pillars and girders.

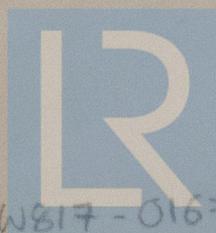
I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. Russell & Co.,

PORT GLASGOW.



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