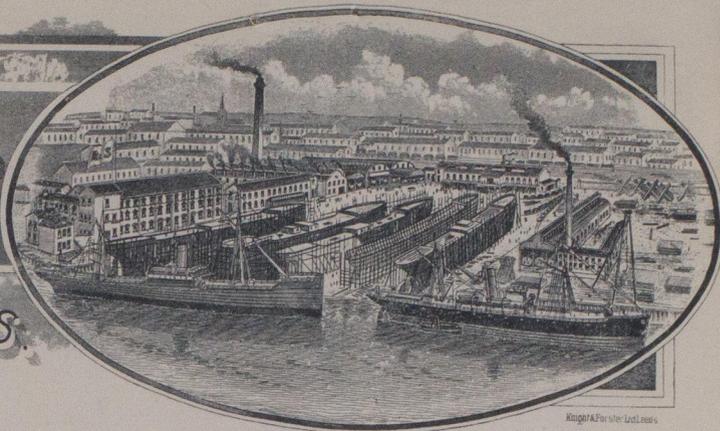


ROPNER Telephone No. 609 and 610.
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s/c

ROPNER & Sons
LIMITED
North Shore Ship Building Yard

STOCKTON ON TEES



16th June 1915.

John Green Esq.,

Old Hill.

Dear Sir,

501 s.s.

This vessel is just finishing, and Lloyd's Surveyor, in checking over the anchor & chain certificates, objects to the stockless anchors as being under the correct weight, according to Rules. We wired you this afternoon as follows:-

"No. 501 - Three stockless anchors below Lloyds statutory weight - actual weight being 6-18-2-21 per certificate and invoice - should be 6 tons 19 - vessel just on point of finishing - wire what you propose get over difficulty Lloyd's Surveyor will not pass them as they are",

which we confirm, and await your reply.

We hope you will be able to send another 49-cwt stockless anchor off at once, to bring the outfit up to Lloyd's Rules, and it is a great pity that you sent one of the stockless anchors so much under the proper weight, without at any rate calling our attention to it. On the total weight there is only a matter of 35 lbs. short, but Lloyd's are extremely particular, and they object to pass the outfit, even if the Owners should be agreeable to accept it.

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Green Esq.....Old Hill.

The difficulty is that the vessel will be leaving to-morrow,
e are consequently driven into a very unsatisfactory corner.
We anxiously await your reply, and will rely upon you
your utmost to overcome the difficulty.

Yours faithfully,

ROPNER & SONS, LIMITED,

W. Smith
SECRETARY.



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