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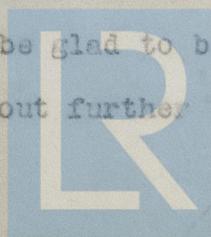
28th October, 1926.

Dear Sir,

S. I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant having further reference to your steamer "WATCHFUL", and with regard to the question you raise as to the payment of the Society's fees, which are outstanding against this vessel, I have to say that in all cases of surveys held on vessels for the maintenance of their class in the Society's Register Book, the fees charged are payable by the Owners.

Further, I would point out that Section 30 of the Society's Rules provides that a vessel's class is liable to be expunged from the Register Book in the case of non-payment of any fees or expenses chargeable on account of such vessel.

You will therefore see that it is necessary for the fees in question, amounting to £17.15.0 for the surveys held at Greenock from February 1925 to June 1926, to be settled forthwith, and I shall be glad to be favored with a remittance for this amount without further delay.



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I note that the vessel is at present laid up, but should you desire to put her to sea this could be done provided she be submitted to a general examination by the Society's Surveyors, the boiler survey held and any repairs found necessary effected in accordance with their recommendations, as already intimated in my letter of the 17th ultimo.

For this survey it would not be necessary to dock the vessel, and on receipt of a favourable report from the Society's Surveyors, the Committee would be prepared to allow the class to remain undisturbed for the present, subject to the outstanding fees above referred to being paid and to the Special Survey No.2 being completed, as required by the Society's Rules.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

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Secretary.

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