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communications to be addressed to
THE SURVEYORS.

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Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 17th instant having further reference to the proposal to carry Fresh Water in the Deep Tank of the T.S.S. "ASCANIA", and have to say it has now been decided to omit the carriage of oil fuel in the No. 4 & 5 double bottom tanks under the Deep Tank.

When this proposal came to our notice it was pointed out that our experience showed that it was very difficult to eliminate slight leakage from oil fuel tanks in double bottoms and contamination was almost sure to arise.

The Sea Transport Department have now decided that a slight reduction in steaming range would be the lesser evil.

We are now arranging that structural plans of the dividing bulkheads and the pumping arrangements be submitted for consideration and these will be forwarded when received.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,
WOKINGHAM.

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