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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

Your Ref: TEB/DA.

23rd August, 1933.

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th instant from which I note that you have an enquiry for the purchase of your steamer "SOUTHERNER" and Sister ships (which it is concluded are the "BOMBARDIER" and "CURLER") for delivery on the Tyne, with a certificate of seaworthiness to proceed to a Mediterranean Port loaded.

If it is intended to carry out the overdue Special Surveys on arrival at a port in the Mediterranean, the Committee will be prepared to authorise the Society's Surveyors at your port to carry out a general examination of the hull and machinery with a view to their ascertaining whether the vessels are fit for the proposed voyage, and it will be necessary for the Boiler and Screwshaft Surveys to be held, in each case, before the vessels sail.

Subject to the surveys being satisfactory, an interim certificate could be granted for the voyage, with a non-perishable cargo, on the distinct understanding that the Special Surveys are held in their entirety on the vessels' arrival.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

Mrs. Robinson, Brown & Co.,
Mercantile Chambers,
Quayside,
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE