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20th December, 1924.

Dear Mr. Craig,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant with reference to Messrs. Barclay, Curle & Co's Yard No.607. When the freeboards were revised in 1906, it was decided that in the case of well deck vessels having the well aft, class A closing appliances might be permitted at the after end of the bridge, and with this arrangement the minimum freeboard could be assigned.

In the case in question, in order that the closing appliances may conform to the requirements of class A, it will be necessary for both angles forming the channel for storm boards to be riveted together, and you should arrange to have this done. If they are not riveted together they will fall under the category of class B appliances, and the freeboards will be increased about 4½ inches.

In answer to your further enquiry, the freeboards are computed under paragraph 11, and where the well is fitted forward, permanent closing appliances must be fitted to the bridge front bulkhead, but when the well is aft, class A closing appliances may be fitted at the after end of the bridge as previously stated. In this latter case class A

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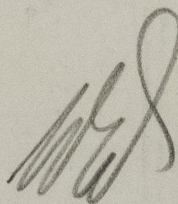
appliances are also required at the front of the poop.

The sketch forwarded with your letter has been retained in this Office, and the approved plan of profile which was also forwarded for reference is returned herewith.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,

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