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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

26th April, 1929.

Dear Sirs,

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I duly received Mr. Hodgson's letter of the 23rd instant enclosing one from Messrs. Workman, Clark (1928) Ltd., with reference to the fitting of storm valves to the 'tween deck scuppers of their Yard Nos. 506/7/8/9.

The Builders' remarks have been very carefully noted, and in reply thereto I think it well to observe that the requirement to fit storm valves to the scuppers in the shelter 'tween deck spaces appeared first in the Society's Rules of 1925. Previous to that the practice had existed of requiring these storm valves to be fitted only if the water line was two feet or less from the deck edge, or where the discharge was within two feet of the waterline.

In the vessels mentioned by the Builders in their letter of the 22nd instant, all except one were built before this requirement came into force, and the one exception alluded to was approved on the basis that she was a sister ship to two others which had been built prior to the amendment of the Rules.

I shall be glad if you will be so good as to advise Messrs. Workman Clark to this effect, and further inform them that it has been ascertained from the Board of Trade that these

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storm valves will not affect the question of exemption from tonnage measurement, provided the clear area through the scupper is not less than that of a 3½" pipe.

It is noted the Builders have arranged to fit storm valves as now required,

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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