

COPY OF LETTER FROM

ROW & CO LTD. GLASGOW

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10th March, 1958.

Messrs. S. Oppenheimer & Co., Ltd.,
550/2, Merchant Street,
P.O.Box No.82,
RANGOON,
BURMA.

Dear Sirs,

Damage Survey

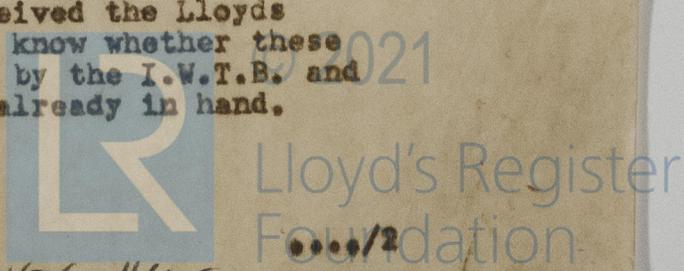
PONDAUNG Class Quarter Wheelers.

We have received your letter of the 25th February enclosing two copies of Lloyds report of the 16th February. These were not received by us until the 4th March and our views on the proposed repairs are given below. Whether these repairs are required due to a fault in design, damage on the voyage out, or lack of upkeep in service will not be dealt with in this letter as we wish to confine ourselves only to the method of overcoming any such trouble in future.

It is assumed that the repairs suggested in Lloyds report are intended to provide greater stiffness of the eccentric sheaves in the athwartship direction only. If the I.W.T.B. authorities decide on the design of stabilising arm shown on Lloyds report we have no objections, although we would have preferred a design of stiffener more on the lines of the enclosed drawing.

We have however reservations to make on the suggestion that brass bushes should be fitted between the eccentric sheave and the paddleshaft. It is not intended that this should be a bearing and we feel that it might well be the source of considerable trouble in the future. We must, therefore, ask you to convey to the I.W.T.B. our reservations on this point.

An account for Lloyds surveyors fees in Burma is being sent to us but we are somewhat at a loss to understand the present position of Lloyds in regard to this damage. We have just received a copy of Lloyds letter of 26th February from London to their representative in Rangoon, Mr. Kirkham (copy enclosed), in which, apart from a reservation on the use of set pins, they have approved the proposed repairs suggested by their representative. This letter was sent without our knowledge and in fact before we received the Lloyds report. We would be interested to know whether these repairs are being dealt with direct by the I.W.T.B. and Lloyds and whether the repairs are already in hand.



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We have not been consulted about our approval of the type of repair and we assume therefore that the I.W.T.B. are in fact taking upon themselves the responsibility of agreeing with Lloyds representative in Rangoon.

Yours faithfully,
FOR YARLON AND COMPANY LIMITED,

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