

British & Eastern Shipping Co Limited

Liverpool 12th April 1865

Messrs.

The Woodside Graving Dock Co

Birkenhead

Gentlemen.

Understanding there is some difficulty in reference to passing the Anchors & Chains ordered for the "Chusan" from the ship having measured over 800 Tons I write these few lines to say that as far as the Owners of the Vessel are concerned they will be satisfied with those already supplied the excess in measurement being caused by a small Monkey Poop and some 4 or 5 Tons additional in the Cabin neither of which in any way effect the ship under deck Tonnage & so on but think for all practical purposes the Anchors & Chains now on board will be found quite sufficient.

I am Gentlemen

(Signed) Jas Macdonald

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My Dear Sir

Mr Light writes me that the Anchors & Chains on board "Chusan" are too small I do not interpret the import of your Rules the "Chusan" is a flush ship having no part above the main Deck over which your Rules take cognizance. She has neither Poop, Half Poop, or top Gallant Headcastle and as such is only 764-70 Tons the term total Tonnage she 71 would apply I presume to such parts only as it does not specifying for dimensions of Keelsons and other

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internal component parts By the recent
act of parliament all enclosed spaces paint
lockers Pisties Platforms for steering gear
are all measured for Customs dues and
included in the Registered Tonnage together
with a house aft solely for the accommodation
of the Captain and Officers of the ship being the
ship for her Customs Registration over 800 tons.
but these are all parts of which your rules for
Scaulding or dimensions take no notice of
what ever but in Poops Half Poops and
Forecastles you do

The Owners do not wish for any
change to be made in the Anchors & Chains
the Ship is one of great rise of floor and of
small body and sharp these Anchors & Chains
are all proved as the Certificates shew at the
Machine spoken so highly in parliamentary
reports

We trust your Committee will deem
these Anchors & Chains of sufficient size
for the ship I can assure you that they
were not ordered of these dimensions with
any view of running the thing fine but with
the full belief when ordered that they were
the full size and weights in accordance
with your rules moreover we fear we could
not get them replace in time for her
Scaulding should the order be given at once

I am &c

(Signed) William Ashley Clayton
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