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17th January, 1894.

Dear Sir,

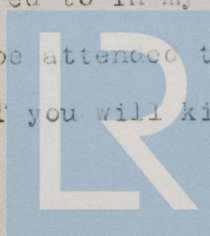
With reference to the classification in this Society's Register Book of your steamer "COUNTY DERRY", and to the Special Survey No.1 required by the Rules, which has been partly held on this vessel at Middlesbro' recently, I beg to acquaint you that it is reported that the frames, floors and girders in the ballast tank under the machinery space were found to require scaling and coating, the patent asphalt more or less badly blistered and the shell plating and riveting exposed in places. The asphalt in way of the hold aft of the machinery space was also found in a similar condition.

*The other parts of the double bottom could not be examined.*

It is understood that the vessel will be submitted for the completion of the Special Survey in question on her return to the U.K. in three or four months time, when the inside of the tank in the machinery space will be scaled and the asphalt on the bottom dealt with, and I have to add that action in regard to the steamer's class has been deferred by the Committee in the meantime, subject to this being done.

At the same time, I have to remind you that some indentations in the shell plating referred to in my letter of the 17th March last will also require to be attended to.

I shall feel obliged if you will kindly advise me in due



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course when and at what port the above matters will be dealt with.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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