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*South Dock,
Sunderland.*

Friday, January 9th. 1925.

Secretary,
Lloyd's Registry of Shipping,
London.

Dear Sir,

LLOYD'S REGISTER
Recd. 10 JAN 1925
And 5 JAN 1925
13 JAN 1925
LONDON

We are in receipt of your favor of the 8th inst. with reference to the advancing of the classification date of our vessels No. 256 and 257, owned by the Tatem Steam Navigation Co., which were launched in February and May 1924 respectively; and regret the decision your Committee has arrived at.

In the short period that they have been launched before going to sea, and considering the manner in which they have been taken care of and protected, their deterioration cannot be anything to the same extent as vessels which have been on the stocks for three to four years, and we know of at least one ship which has been on the stocks for this period and was launched recently and will ~~within six months~~ get her 1925 classification.

We are afraid that unless your Committee acquiesces with the very reasonable request of the Owners, these ships may be classed in another Registry.

Yours very truly,
for Bartram & Sons, Ltd.
R.M. Bartram, Junr.
Director.



