

Messrs. Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson's Nos. 1561 & 1563.

It is submitted the Builders be informed that it is noted that the Owners desire to omit the web on the port side on the cofferdam bulkhead No. 177, and ^{as embankation is} ~~that in lieu of this the Builders are proposing~~ to increase the size of the stringers to the dimensions set forth in their letter, namely 36 x .44 with a 9 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x .50 bulb angle face bar. These scantlings will be approved.

It should be noted, however, that with the modified arrangement the vertical brackets to the stringers in line with the longitudinal bulkhead on the port side should be increased in depth and attached to bulkhead 177 by "T" bars, also the diaphragms in the cofferdam in line with the stringers should have similar attachments extending well beyond the ends of the diaphragms, and similar connections should be fitted on the forward side in way of these diaphragms. The horizontal bracket attaching the stringers to the pump room bulkhead ^{also} should be suitably increased in size.

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