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All communications to be addressed
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Copenhagen, K.

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The Secretary,
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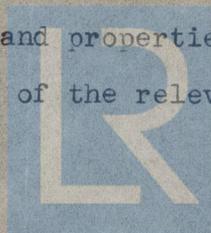
Dear Sir,

Reverting to the last paragraph of your letter of the 16th ultimo regarding the proposed use of Bakelite for the bush of the rudder bearing in Messrs. Aalborg Værft's Yard No. 64, building to the order of Mr. J. Lauritzen, we beg to advise you that this question has now been discussed with the Owner's Representative, who contemplates fitting the rudder bearing bush of a composition made of compressed bakelite and linen.

The Owners have no experience with this material for the purpose now intended, they are of the opinion however that the material will prove satisfactory.

The type of material proposed is manufactured in Denmark under the name of Etronax, and we enclose herewith a brochure setting forth the particulars and properties of the material.

An English translation of the relevant pages has been



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inserted.

We are advised that a similar material is manufactured in England.

We have been unable to obtain any information in this country regarding experience with this material when used for bearings, but we have been informed that certain information has been published in the German publication "Kunststoffe".

It will be recollected that a similar material was approved, in your letter of the 16th January last, for the port stern tube bush of Messrs. Helsingørs Jernskibs- og Maskinbyggeri's Yard No. 259 now building for the same Owner, the approval being subject to the screw shaft being drawn for examination of the bush after being in service one year.

A sample of Etronax is being forwarded to you under separate cover.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors

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J. Hodgson



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