

## NAVIGATORS &amp; GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LTD.,

Finsbury Court,

Finsbury Pavement,

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The Secretary,  
Lloyd's  
Royal Exchange, E.C.

4th. January, 1926.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Sir,

re s.s. "COMPETITOR"  
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The Chief Engineer of the "Competitor" which was lost recently on the South African Coast, was one of our Policy-holders, insuring his Certificate with us.

We have been asked by the widow to watch her interests relative to a Workmen's Compensation claim. In the course of correspondence with her, we received a copy of his last letter. We think that this information should be in possession of the Committee of Lloyd's, and we are informed that the following is an exact copy of an extract from his letter(as written).

"Just before leaving Santos, or I should the time we had to leave there was a serious breakdown in one of the boilers it was so serious I had to call in Lloyd's surveyor, with the result we are still here. If we had got away the ship would have been lost with all hands in less than 48 hours, and he said all our lives had been in danger since leaving Cardiff. Of course I did'nt know were so bad until they we opened them out here. I am enclosing a card (photo) which I want you to keep until I come home if ever I get home".

We have considered it our duty to communicate this information to the Mercantile Marine Department of the Board of Trade, and think at the same time it should

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also be in the possession of your Committee.

With compliments.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed). XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX



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