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Lloyd's Register of British & Foreign Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

9th June, 1910.

Sir,

M.

I duly received your letter of the 4th instant respecting the cast steel rudder of the S.S. "GALILEO", and with regard thereto I have to inform you that your remarks are desired so far as regards your own survey of this casting which has since been found to have been unsound from the first.

I have to request that you will be good enough to state whether this rudder was actually submitted to a drop test, regarding which nothing is said on your report. You should also state at what stages of manufacture or of completion you inspected the rudder and the nature of the examination made by you, in addition to making the two sets of tensile and bend tests mentioned on the survey report.

Further I have to inform you that it is considered to be a matter of grave importance that a casting made under the Society's supervision and tested by the Surveyors should be afterwards found to be so seriously defective, and complaint has been made by the Owners of the vessel by reason of the expense and inconvenience they have been put to in the matter.

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I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

M. Koch, Esq.,

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