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THE APPARATUS INSTALLED ABOARD SHIP TO PREVENT TOTAL SUBMERGENCE, OCCUPIES NO USEFUL SPACE ABOARD THE VESSEL. THIS IS NOT A MIRACLE BUT A FACT, WHICH UPON EXPLANATION WILL BE APPRECIATED BY THE MARITIME ARCHITECT.

QUITE RECENTLY, SEVERAL OF ENGLANDS MOST EMINENT MARINE ARCHITECTS HAVE WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED THE STATEMENTS THAT, "NEITHER BOATS NOR BULKHEADS ARE CAPABLE OF SAVING ALL THE LIVES ABOARD, WHEN A SHIP RECEIVES A SERIOUS WOUND, BUT THAT SOME DAY SCIENCE WILL FIND A WAY TO MEET AND OVERCOME THIS CALAMITY. MAY WE MOST RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST SCIENCE HAS ALREADY PRODUCED THE REMEDY. SHALL WE CONTINUE TO PERMIT PASSENGERS TO BE DROWNED BY THOUSANDS, OR INSIST UPON THE CONSIDERATION OF ITS PREVENTION AND ADOPTION OF THE REMEDY?

IS IT NOT PECULIAR THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS THE REPORT OF ANOTHER GERMAN, AS TO THE SITUATION OF THIS SHIP AND ITS CONTENTS? YOU WILL NOTE IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE CLIPPING THIS GERMAN OFFERED TO TELL THE POSITION OF THE WRECK, IF GIVEN CO-OPERATION IN SALVAGE OPERATIONS, INCLUDING INFORMATION AS TO WHAT CARGO THE HAMPSHIRE CARRIED. TO ANY ONE VERSED AND EXPERIENCED IN GIGANTIC SALVAGED OPERATIONS THIS GERMAN'S STATEMENT, WOULD BE TAKEN CUM GRANO SALIS. THE ADMIRALTY VERY SENSIBLY REPLIED, THAT, "IT KNOWS WHERE THE CRUISER LIES". IT MIGHT WELL HAVE ADDED "WE ALSO KNOW THE CONTENTS OF THE SHIP. MIGHT I RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THE

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