

10 Duke Street

Westminster

Nov 10th 1857.

Wm L. C. McLear Esq.

My dear Sir -

Eastern Steam Navigation

I am getting
anxious to hear something
of the progress of the
shaft - My last
information respecting it
is now more than a
month old - it then
was to have been on
the boring machine

within a fortnight
so that I suppose
you have tested the
soundness of it by this
time - I should be
much obliged if you
would give me a description
of its present state,
~~and~~ ^{particularly} how it is off for
size and symmetry
and whether it is sym-
metrical in its proportions
and, if you have reason
to believe it is sound

I am yours truly

Brunton Leslie

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