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OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR OF MACHINERY FOR U. S. NAVY

UNION IRON WORKS
San Francisco, Cal.

August 29th 1895.

My dear Judge:

Your letters of May 24th and July 25th and one from Alec of July 12th have been received and I was glad to hear from you again as well as to learn that Alec was back again with you at home. He seemed to have a good time here and what he saw & learned at the Works will always be of use to him. Since my last I have been retained from active service having been transferred to the retained list on June 30th last with the rank & retained pay of a Commodore and not as a Rear Admiral. The grade of Commodore being retained in the Personnel act of 1894 for the purpose of the retained list.

though his grade was abolished
from the active list. In making
my application for voluntary
retirement I am asked to be
retained on my present duty
and this was granted so I expect
to remain here just as long for
at least another year or
until the three ships I now
have building are finished.
You mention the Beaufort
disaster and it was indeed a
bad one as 66 people were killed
or died from wounds and as many
more seriously injured. I was
appointed by the Secy of the Navy
as President of the Com. of Inquiry
and I sent a New York Times
with the report and with the
you the result of our findings
which showed gross carelessness. I

Send Alec a note about the
~~technical~~ part of it - as I think it
will interest him. I was in San
Diego for two weeks and did
not find his work a pleasant job,
but am satisfied that we found
his truth. While I was away
Mrs. S. moved our rooms from
the Cumberland 1076 Bush St. to "The Plymouth
corner of Bush & Jones Sts" only one
block from an old place. We
found the change an agreeable one
and are now nicely settled
and glad we changed.

The University Club has been under
repair for some months and we
have not had any of our Saturday
meets. After a long discussion
about a new Club house in a
new location it was finally
decided best to take a new
long lease to one of his old one
& make changes to fit it for our

increased memberships. by changing the
kitchens, the rooms as also the dining rooms
and adding sleeping rooms but as
we hope to get in about the last
of September and 7 miles to
to get into the old ground again.
I see by the papers that our Steamers
President-Roosevelt - has taken a
trip down in one of the Submarines
this is nothing like doing things your-
self to find out what they are like.
Local politics are hot over the election
for Mayor this fall, a Money Count is
being made to out a corrupt fellow
but now have passed in the City Govt.
with kind regards to all
Yours sincerely
I am a son

Very sincerely yours

A. N. Stenerson