

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Bristol.

1st Administrative Battalion of Gloucestershire Engineer Volunteers.

The Most Noble Henry Charles Fitzroy, Duke of Beaufort, K.G., to be Honorary Colonel. Dated 20th November 1867.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 77.)—UNITED STATES.—GULF OF MEXICO.

Light at Shell Cays.

The United States Government has given notice that the lighthouse on the South point of Marsh Island, Shell Cays, Louisiana, has been destroyed during a recent storm (3d and 4th October 1867), and that, in consequence, the light exhibited therefrom is extinguished.

Also that due notice will be given of its re-establishment.

WEST INDIES.—PUERTO RICO.

Buoys at San Juan Harbour.

The Spanish Government has given notice that the following buoys have been placed at the entrance of San Juan Harbour, Island of Puerto Rico.

Bell and Safety Buoy.—This buoy has been moored in $3\frac{1}{4}$ fathoms, at low water springs, at the mouth of the port, close to the breakers of Cabras Island, the lower part is painted *black*, and the upper part *white*; above the bell is a glass reflector.

The body of the buoy is surrounded by an iron frame work to facilitate the preservation of life from shipwreck.

The buoy lies W. $\frac{1}{2}$ S., distant three cables from Morro Point.

Western Bank Buoys.—Three smaller buoys, painted *black and white* alternately, have been placed on the western edge of the channel, near the entrance, in 14 feet water.

Morro Point Buoy is a large *red* buoy with a ball, in 15 feet water, on the edge of the shoal off Morro Point, and lying S.W. $1\frac{1}{2}$ cables from that point.

Beacons.—Three beacons have been placed on the eastern side of the channel; they are surmounted by glass reflectors.

Warping Buoys.—Nine iron Barrel shaped *black* warping buoys have been placed in the channel, rather nearer the eastern side than the western. These buoys are moored in from six to eight fathoms, low water springs, and range from the entrance to abreast Puntilla. On each buoy is marked the depth of water in which the buoy is moored.

By Command of their Lordships,

GEO. HENRY RICHARDS, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
1st November 1867.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—West Indies, General, No. 392c; Outline Chart with lights, No. 390; Louisiana and Texas Coast, No. 1639; and San Juan Port, No. 478; also, West Indies Lights List, No. 129.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 78.)—MEDITERRANEAN.—ADRIATIC SEA.

Buoy off the Mole, Brindisi Harbour.

Notice has been received that a Mole is now in the course of construction, extending in a south-easterly direction from the Castello di Mare lighthouse, Brindisi Harbour, and it is intended to be carried to a distance of 285 yards, 130 of which is now completed; also that a *red* buoy with staff and flag has been placed E. by S. $\frac{3}{4}$ S., distant 285 yards from the same lighthouse.

WEST COAST OF ITALY.

Lights and Buoy at the extremity of the Mole, Naples.

The Italian Government has given notice that, since the 15th day of October 1867, the light on the military mole at Naples has been removed to a tower recently erected on the extremity of the mole, and bearing E. $\frac{3}{4}$ S., distant 280 yards from the old position of the light.

The light is a *fixed and flashing* white light, shewing a flash every three minutes; elevated 35 feet above the level of the sea, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of 10 miles.

The illuminating apparatus is dioptric or by lenses of the sixth order.

Also that a light vessel has been placed 62 yards off the new lighthouse, to mark the end of the mole in the course of construction.

The light is a *fixed green* light, elevated 30 feet above the level of the sea, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of two miles.

The light vessel has one mast, surmounted by a globe painted with red and white bands.

At a distance of 142 yards from the new light, a buoy, surmounted by a globe painted with *red and white* bands, has been placed, to mark the extremity of the stones.

IONIAN SEA.

Lefchimo Point Light Vessel.

With reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 57, issued from this Office on the 27th September 1867, respecting the temporary extinction of Lefchimo Point Light, Island of Corfu,

The Greek Government has given notice that the light vessel has been replaced in her former position, and that the light is now exhibited.

BLACK SEA.

Colour of Lighthouses near Bosphorus Entrance.

The Turkish Government has given notice that, for the purpose of enabling Mariners to distinguish the European from the Asiatic shore, in the vicinity of the entrance of the Bosphorus, they have caused the lighthouse of Kili to be painted *red*, and that of Karabournou to be painted *green*.

[The bearings are magnetic. Variation 11° Westerly, in 1867.]

By Command of their Lordships,

GEO. HENRY RICHARDS, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
2d November 1867.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Brindisi, No. 1492; Adriatic Sea, No. 1440; Corfu Channels, &c., No. 206; Naples Gulf and plan, No. 1728; and Naples to Cape Vaticano, No. 160. Also, Mediterranean, &c., Lights List, Nos. 336, 221, 222, 440, and 486; and the Adriatic Pilot, page 45.