

St. James's-Palace, October 22, 1853.

The Queen has been pleased, on the nomination of the Right Honourable Lord Foley, to appoint George Watkin Rice, Esquire, late Captain 23rd Royal Welsh Fusiliers, one of Her Majesty's Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms, vice Rice.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
October 31, 1853.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Madeira, reporting that the Board of Health, at Lisbon, had declared the ports of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Liverpool, London, and Southampton as suspected of cholera, and that therefore vessels, arriving at that Island from any of these ports, will only be admitted to free pratique provided that no deaths should have occurred on the voyage, nor any sickness prevailed in them, after the expiration of eight days from the time of departure from the ports in question.

By order,

James Booth.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
October 31, 1853.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Brussels, transmitting copy of a Royal Edict, of the 10th October, allowing the temporary withdrawal from bond, in Belgium, under certain conditions prescribed by the Finance Department, of Cotton Tissues destined to be bleached, dressed, printed, or dyed in that country.

By order,

James Booth.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
Marine Department, October 31, 1853.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Hamburg, inclosing copy of a Notice to Mariners issued by the Chamber of Commerce of Bremen, a translation of which is subjoined, respecting the intended alterations to take place next year in the positions of the buoys and beacons at the mouth of the river Weser.

By order,

James Booth.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(Translation.)

In the middle of the next year the tuns of the Old Weser Channel, which are more clearly specified under IV., will be taken up. On the other hand, the buoys to be laid down in the New Weser Channel, for the purpose of facilitating the entrance into the mouth, will be stationed as follows:—

I. Instead of the four red and two white buoy tuns at present lying in the New Channel, towards the middle of the year 1854 six red and five white

tuns are to be stationed. The red tuns situated on entering, on the starboard side, will retain the buoy form as hitherto; whereas the white tuns situated on the larboard side will have the form of the usual Weser tuns.

- a. The first red tun of the New Weser mouth will then lie in the same direction as the present black key tun, from Wangeroog, but nearer the island, in nine fathoms water, and be distinguished by a golden key.
- b. The second red tun, marked A, will bear S.W. by W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. of the Wangeroog Town, and bear a golden pear as mark of distinction.
- c. The third red tun, marked B, will bear W.S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ W. of the Wangeroog Town, and bear a round basket as mark of distinction.
- d. The fourth red tun, marked C, comes in the place of the present red tun, No. 1, but will be distinguishable by a golden cross, instead of the present round basket.
- e. The fifth and sixth red tuns, marked severally D and E, will be stationed where the present red tuns, marked severally No. II. and No. III., lie, and be likewise distinguishable by a round basket.

II. The number of the white tuns will be then increased by three additional ones, two of which will be stationed seawards of the present tun, No. 0, and the other above the present tun, No. 1.

- a. The first white tun, marked No. 1, will be stationed on the extreme point of the "Red Sand," in seven fathoms water, and bear S.W. by W. of the Wangeroog Town.
- b. The second white tun, marked No. 2, will bear W.S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ W. of the Wangeroog Town.
- c. The third and fourth white tuns, marked severally No. 3 and No. 4, will be stationed in the place of the tuns, No 0 and No. 1, at present lying on the Middle Plate, but in a different form, and, besides this, the tun No. 3 will be distinguishable by a wing.
- d. The fifth white tun, marked No. 5, will be stationed near the Mellum Plate, and bear E. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. of the sixth red tun, E.

III. As soon as the New Channel, or Fairway, is provided with buoys and beacons as above specified, the station of the light-ship, No. 1, will be removed higher up, and in such a manner that from the first white outward-lying tun a direct passage may be steered up to it in a S.E. course. The present black G, or eighth tun, will then likewise be removed higher up.

IV. The consequence of this alteration in the several positions of the buoys and beacons, the four black tuns, at present lying in the old Weser Channel, namely key A. B. and C., and also the two white tuns, No. I. and No. II., will be taken up at the above-mentioned time, but the other tuns lying below the light ship No. 1, will remain in their present position till further notice.

When the alterations above specified are finally effected, further particulars will be made known to Mariners, but even at the present date, the Chamber of Commerce considers it its duty to direct the attention of those concerned to the proposed alteration.

The Chamber of Commerce, Bremen,
October 1, 1853.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
November 1, 1853.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and