

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Essex.

Major-General Albert Fytch, C.S.I., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 6th July, 1874.
 Thomas Charles Baring, Esq., M.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 6th July, 1874.
 Lieutenant-Colonel William Thomas Makins, M.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 6th July, 1874.
 John Robert Vaizey, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 6th July, 1874.
 James Spicer, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 6th July, 1874.

India Office, July 6, 1874.

The Secretary of State for India in Council has appointed Mr. J. Garnock to superintend the transfer of Lascars or other persons, at the Port of Liverpool, and to grant the Certificate required under Section 23 of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 91, vice Captain A. C. Mott, deceased.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858, IN THE DISTRICT OF WUERDLE AND WARDLE, IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER.

WHEREAS a resolution for the adoption of the Local Government Act, 1858, was, on the 26th day of March, 1874, passed by the owners and ratepayers of that portion of the township of Wuerdle and Wardle, in the county of Lancaster, which is not included within the Littleborough Local Board District, and notice of such adoption has been given, in writing, to the Local Government Board by the person required to give the same:

Now, therefore, we, the said Local Government Board, do hereby consent to such adoption, and give notice, that the Local Government Act, 1858, has been adopted in the aforesaid part of the said township of Wuerdle and Wardle.

Given under the Seal of Office of the said Board, this 10th day of July, 1874.



John Lambert,
Secretary.

Acting on behalf of the said Board, under the authority of a General Order, dated the 13th day of August, 1873.

Civil Service Commission,

July 9, 1874.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination for one situation as Professional Clerk in the Solicitor's Office of the General Post-office, will be held in London, on Wednesday, the 12th day of August, 1874, and following days, under the Special Regulations dated 5th November, 1872, and published in the London Gazette of the 8th November, 1872. Persons wishing to compete should apply at once for the necessary form to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, London, S.W.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 89.)—MEDITERRANEAN—MAROCCO—
RIFF COAST.

Harbour Light on Penon de Velez de la Gomera.

INFORMATION has been received from the Spanish Government, that from the 3rd May, 1874, a light would be exhibited on the Penon de Velez de la Gomera, to the north-westward of the town.

The light is a *fixed red* light, elevated 262 feet above the level of the sea, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of 8 or 9 miles.

By command of their Lordships,
Fredk. J. Evans, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
4th July, 1874.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Mediterranean General, Nos. 2158 and 2718 a; Gibraltar to Alicante, &c., No. 1166; and Gibraltar to Zafarin Islands, No. 2717: Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, page 203.

Standards Department, Board of Trade,
7, Old Palace Yard, Westminster,
July 6, 1874.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of s. 16, of "The Coinage Act, 1870," 33 Vict., c. 10, New Standard Trial Plates of Gold and Silver, to be used for determining the justness of the gold and silver coins of the realm issued from the Mint, have been made and duly verified, of such standard fineness as is directed by the said Act, as appears by the following Certificate of Verification by the Goldsmiths' Company, which includes also the verification of supplementary trial plates of pure gold and of pure silver.

Certificate of Verification of New Standard Trial Plates by the Goldsmiths' Company.

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having received from the Deputy Master of the Mint, certain new standard trial plates of gold and silver for determining the justness of the gold and silver coins of the realm to be issued from the Mint, which plates have been caused by the Board of Trade to be made in pursuance of section 16, of "The Coinage Act, 1870," the same being a trial plate of standard gold, commixed in the proportion of twenty-two carats of fine gold, and two carats of copper alloy in the pound weight troy, and a trial plate of standard silver, commixed in the proportion of eleven ounces and two pennyweights of fine silver and eighteen pennyweights of copper alloy in the pound weight troy, have, in pursuance of a requisition from the Warden of the Standards of the Board of Trade, addressed to the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, duly verified the same plates respectively according to our best skill and knowledge; and we hereby certify that we have found the said trial plate of standard gold to possess the requisite degree of fineness, and to be duly commixed of fine metal and alloy in the proportions aforesaid, and according to the standard established by law. We have also found the said trial plate of standard silver to possess the requisite degree of fineness, and to be duly commixed of fine metal and alloy in the proportions aforesaid, and according to the standard established by law. We have, at the same time, received from the Deputy Master of the Mint, a trial plate of pure gold and a trial plate of pure silver; and we hereby certify that we have examined the same, and have found them to be plates of pure gold and silver respec-