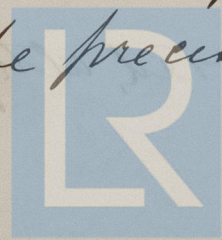


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The Secretary
Sir

Cardiff ^{to} June 1879.
Recd 16/6/79

Your letter of the 4th Inst, with
Copy of Report on the S.S. "Altona" came
to hand in due course, and I have now
to acquaint you, that in conformity
with your request, I have visited the
vessel for the purpose of examining
the Mizen Mast; the Shipwright overboard,
(Mr Duncan, being present; The defects
in question, appear to have arisen from
decay caused by the lodgment of water
in some weather shakes or joints, on
the fore side; the extent of which cannot
without cutting, be precisely determined,



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but on boring, sound wood was found
at the depth of $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins to 4 ins. The defect
appears to be confined to the fore part,
of the spar - and is comparatively superficial.
The mast, being of large dimensions -
I am informed that it is the intention
of the Owners, on the return of the Vessel
to remove the Mizzen Mast, altogether, and
not replace it; - She is now proceeding
to Alexandria, and will probably be
ordered thence to Hull. -

Taking into consideration the facts -
That a short voyage only, is now intended,
That no Cannon is sent, nor Seal carried
upon the Mast, and that the Vessel would
probably be as handy and efficient, were
it removed, altogether; They respectfully

to submit, that so far as the Mast in
question is concerned, she will be
perfectly safe for the intended voyage
and may in my opinion, be allowed
to proceed, without prejudice to her
existing & Character.

I am Sir
Yours Obedt Servt
Henry J. Lovell



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