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Launch "Corinne."

"The only light-house vessel owned or chartered in this portion of the 8th District, is a launch 42' long, 12' 8" beam, depth 3' 4". White oak frame, cypress planking, pine deck. Copper-fastened, with two spruce masts and yards, lugger-rigged, (owned) which has been employed carrying material and workmen for repairs and constructions of the different lights, principally Pensacola and Sand Island. It is in good condition, but in my opinion unfit for the work required of it and would recommend that it be changed into a schooner, whereby its carrying capacity will be increased, which change I estimate can be made at a cost of $1,000.

Respectfully submitted,
A. N. Damrell,
Capt. Corps of Engrs, Bvt. Maj., U.S.A."

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1869.

(An enclosure of letter dated Mobile, Ala., Oct. 15, 1869, from Capt. A.N.Damrell, U.S.A., Engineer 8th L.H.District.)

Office of L.H.Eng'r 8th Dist.
New Orleans, December 3d, 1868.

(Copy)

Sir:

I have the honor to report the condition of the works under my charge, as follows:--

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New Launch. This vessel is well advanced, planked nearly all over, portion of the deck beams put in; she may be got ready in a month. The estimate ($1500) does not include coppering. I respectfully request instructions whether to have her coppered before launching, or not. I think it should be done, as she will necessarily be mostly employed in places where the worms are very destructive.

1868.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. sevt.
M. F. Bonzano,
Act'g L.H.Engr.

Admiral W.B.Shubrick, U.S.N.,
Chairman of L.H.Board,
Washington, D.C.

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"Launch Corinne.

"This vessel was finished in January last, and after a couple of weeks service in the river, transferred to the portion of the District E. of Pearl River."

1869.

(Annual Report of the Light-house Engineer of the 8th Dist. West of Pearl River from Oct. 1st, 1868 to Oct. 1st, 1869.)

(M.F.Bonzano.)

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(Built at New Orleans, La., 1868-'9. A two-masted lugger, about 12 tons.)

Used in 8th District East of Pearl River, in construction and repair, and in attending upon lights, with head quarters in Mobile Bay, until 1876 or '77, after which time, as she was
1877. considered unseaworthy and useless to both the Inspector and Engineer of the district, she was used as a house-boat or dwelling by the keepers of Dog River Bar, and Choctaw Channel lights.

In Feb'y 1879, authority was asked to sell her at public
1879. auction after due advertisement, and granted by Dept. letter of March 6,'79.

Sold April 15, for $250, and amount turned into the Treas-
" ury June 27, '79 by 8th Eng'r.