

money or by the proper Colonial postage stamp or stamps being affixed thereto.

14. If any packet sent, or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be posted in the United Kingdom or in the East Indies, and the postage paid thereon, or postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, shall represent a less amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under and by virtue of this Warrant, every such last-mentioned packet shall be forwarded, charged with the amount of the difference between the postage so paid thereon, or postage stamp or stamps so paid thereon or affixed thereto, and the postage to which such packet would be liable as aforesaid, together with a further and additional rate of postage equal in amount to the single rate of postage chargeable under this Warrant on a packet not exceeding four ounces in weight; but if any such packet shall be posted in the United Kingdom or in the East Indies, without any postage having been paid thereon, or without having thereon or affixed thereto any postage stamp, every such respective packet shall be forwarded, charged with a postage of double the amount of postage to which it would have been liable under and by virtue of this Warrant, if the postage had been paid when posted.

15. In order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any Officer of the Post-office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be dispatched in due course of the post, or (at his option) until the dispatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

16. The several packets transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant shall be subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and rates of postage respectively, contained in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 19th day of February 1855, relating to redirected rates of postage upon letters and packets, which shall be redirected and again forwarded by the post, so far as the same are applicable to such packets.

17. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet, or any pattern or sample contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive on all parties.

18. The term "East Indies," used in this Warrant, shall be construed to mean every port or place in Her Majesty's dominions in Asia (Hong Kong, Ceylon, Mauritius, Labuan, and Australia excepted), and the several other terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96.

19. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands duly made, at any time hereafter alter, repeal, revoke, or modify any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

20. This Warrant shall come into operation on the 1st day of April 1864.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the 15th day of March 1864.

WILLIAM DUNBAR.  
LUKE WHITE.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 11.)—EAST INDIES—EAST COAST OF CEYLON.

##### Flashing Light on Foul Point.

THE Colonial Government of Ceylon has given notice that, on and after the 1st day of February 1864, a light would be exhibited from a lighthouse recently erected on Foul Point, the south-eastern point of approach to the great bay of Trincomalie.

The light is a white light, showing a *flash* every *half-minute*, and should be seen in clear weather from a distance of 17 miles. Beyond the distance of 7 miles the eclipses are total between the flashes, but within that distance there is a faint continuous light.

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

The tower stands in lat. 8° 32' 10" N., long. 81° 18' 50" East of Greenwich.

##### Fixed Light on Round Island.

Also that, on and after the 1st day of February 1864, a light would be exhibited from a lighthouse recently erected on Round Island, at the entrance to Trincomalie harbour.

The light is a *fixed* white light, visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles. When bearing between W. by S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S., and S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S., and within a distance of 7 miles, it shows *red*. Approaching between these bearings the white light is not seen.

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

*Directions.*—In approaching Trincomalie harbour from the southward, bring Foul Point light to bear west, distant 2 miles; and then steer N.W. until Round Island light bears W.S.W.; then steer for this latter light until Chapel Hill, the high bluff eastern extreme of land on the north side of entrance, and easily seen in the darkest night, bears north, distant about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles; then steer W. by N., until Round Island light bears S. by E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E.; then steer N. by W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W., passing midway between Osterberg Point and Sober Island, and anchor with the light bearing S. by E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E. in 12 fathoms water. After passing Osterberg Point the water shoals rapidly from 25 to 12 fathoms.

Approaching from the northward, when Foul Point light is seen, bring it to bear S. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E., and steer for it until Round Island light bears S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W.; then steer for Round Island light until the extreme point of Chapel Hill bears N. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E.; then proceed as before.

The *red* light is intended to direct vessels clear of the dangers off Foul Point; and the Chapel rock, off the headland of the same name; and in working in or out should be kept in sight to avoid these dangers.

[All bearings are magnetic. Variation 1° 0' East, in 1864.]

By Command of their Lordships,  
GEO. HENRY RICHARDS, Hydrographer.  
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
5th March 1864.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Harbour and Bays of Trincomalie, No. 815; Harbour of Trincomalie, No. 816; Ceylon, East Coast, No. 2031; Bay of Bengal, No. 70 a; Indian Ocean, Nos. 748 a, 748 b, and 2483. Also, East India Lights List, Nos. 56, 57.