

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 14.)—WEST INDIES—BAHAMA BAY.

Fixed Light on Great Stirrup Cay.

THE Governor of the Bahamas has given notice, that on and after the 1st day of May, 1863, a light will be exhibited from a lighthouse recently erected on the Great Stirrup Cay, at the north-east part of the Great Bahama bank, and south side of Providence north-west channel.

The light will be a *fixed* white light, illuminating an arc of 230° from about S.W. as seen from the lighthouse, round northerly and easterly to about S.E. by S. It is placed at an elevation of about 70 feet above the mean level of the sea, and should be seen in clear weather from a distance of from 13 to 15 miles.

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

The tower is circular, 46 feet high, built of stone, and painted white with two red bands, dividing the tower into five bands of equal breadth. It stands in lat. 25° 49' 40" N., long. 77° 54' West of Greenwich.

Trinidad—Port Spain.

The light at Port Spain, Island of Trinidad, has been improved, and can now be seen in clear weather from a distance of 15 miles.

Bermuda Islands.

The lighthouse said to be building, in the North American Lighthouse List, on St. David Head, Bermudas, is not in progress, nor is it at present contemplated.

By command of their Lordships,

John Washington, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
16th April, 1863.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—West Indies, General, Nos. 392 *a*, 392 *b*; West Indies, Sheet 1, No. 1217; Great Stirrup Cay, No. 1432; Port Spain, No. 2097; Trinidad Island, No. 506; Sheet 8, No. 394, East Coast South America, Sheet 1, No. 1801; and Bermuda Island, No. 360. Also, West India Pilot, p. 91; Lights List, Nos. 56 and 4; and British North America Lights List, No. 148.

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(No. 15.)—AUSTRALIA—SOUTH COAST.

Temporary Harbour Light at Lonsdale Point, Port Phillip.

THE Colonial Government of New South Wales has given notice, that on and after the 19th day of February, 1863, a temporary harbour light would be exhibited from Lonsdale point, at the west side of entrance to Port Phillip, south coast of Australia.

The light is a *fixed green* and *red* light, showing green to seaward when bearing from about N.W. by N. to N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W., and red towards Nepean point and the harbour, from about N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W. to W, $\frac{1}{2}$ N. The green light should be seen in clear weather from a distance of about 4 miles, and the red light at about 7 miles.

The light is exhibited from a site close to the tidal flagstaff on Lonsdale point, and is intended to warn vessels of their approach to the newly discovered dangers by the *Lightning* and the Lonsdale point rock, at the entrance to the port. Vessels having the green light in sight will be outside the dangers, and with the red light in

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sight inside the dangers. The blending of the two colours will indicate that a vessel is in the vicinity of the dangers.

[All bearings are magnetic. Variation 8° 20' East in 1863.]

By command of their Lordships,

John Washington, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
20th April, 1863.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Australia, Southern portion, Sheet 2, No. 2759 *b*; South Coast, No. 1171; Bass Strait, No. 1695; and entrance to Port Phillip, No. 2747; Also, Australian Directory, Vol. 1, p. 121; and Hydrographic Notice, No. 13.

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(No. 16.)—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

Fixed Red Light at La Houle.

The Minister of Public Works in France has given notice, that on and after the 1st day of March, 1863, a light would be exhibited from a lighthouse recently erected at the port of La Houle, at Cancale, on the west side of Mont St. Michel bay, on the north coast of France.

The light is a *fixed red* light, placed at an elevation of 30 feet above high water, and should be seen in clear weather from a distance of 6 miles.

The tower stands on the rock called La Fenêtre, at the entrance to the port, in lat. 48° 40' 17" N., long. 1° 51' 11" West of Greenwich.

Fixed Green Light at Dunkerque.

Also, that on and after the 1st day of June, 1863, a light will be exhibited from the extremity of the east jetty of Dunkerque.

The light will be a *fixed green* light, placed at an elevation of 26 feet above high water, and should be seen in clear weather from a distance of 3 miles.

It stands in lat. 51° 3' 25" N., long. 2° 21' 31" East of Greenwich.

Buoys.—Two buoys have been placed to mark the shoals extending from the shore north-east of Cape Grisnez,—one off La Barrière, the north extreme of Banc à la Ligne; and the other a bell buoy off the north-west extreme of Les Quenocs.

By command of their Lordships,

John Washington, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
27th April, 1863.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Sea, Sheet 1, No. 1406; France, North Coast, Sheets 9 and 14, Nos. 2688 and 2610; England, South coast, Sheet 7, No. 1895; Channel Islands, No. 2701; English Channel, No. 1598; and Sheet 1, No. 2675 *a*. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part 4, p. 70; Channel Pilot, Part 11, p.p. 146 and 173; and French Lights List, No. 30.

NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset House, May 6, 1863.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of the proceeds