

Washington, under date of December 1st, 1853, notice is hereby given, that the proposed changes will take place simultaneously at the three above-named lighthouses on the night of the 1st of June next (1854).

CAPE HATTERAS.

The Cape Hatteras Light will be a First Order Fresnel Flashing Lens, exhibiting, in every 20 seconds of time, a brilliant white flash of 8 seconds' duration, followed by a total eclipse of 12 seconds' duration.

At the distance of 14 to 18 miles the duration of the flash will be somewhat less, and that of the eclipse proportionably greater.

The height of the tower from the ground to the top of the lantern is 140 feet.

The colour of the tower from the ground to the height of 20 feet is grey, and the remainder red.

The tower is placed about 2 miles from the point of the Cape, on the southward and eastward extremity of a long ridge of white and naked sand, backed by woods.

The space of about two miles, between the lighthouse and the pitch of the Cape, is a low flat and bare sand beach, very little above extreme high water.

The light will be 150 feet above the level of the sea, and should be seen, in good weather, from a position 15 feet above the water, at the distance of about 19 nautical or 22 statute miles.

The approximate position of the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, as determined by the Coast Survey, is—latitude $35^{\circ} 15' 11''$ north, longitude $75^{\circ} 30' 33''$ west from Greenwich.

BODY'S ISLAND.

The Body's Island Light, about 32 nautical miles to the northward of Cape Hatteras, will be changed at the same time (June 1st, 1854) to a Fourth Order Fresnel Fixed White Light, varied by alternate red and white flashes.

This light will be 50 feet above the level of the sea, and the white flashes should be seen, in good weather, from a position 15 feet above the water, at the distance of about 13 nautical or 15 statute miles; the fixed light not quite so far as the white flashes, and the red flashes at a less distance than the fixed white light.

The approximate position of Body's Island Light, as determined by the Coast Survey, is—latitude $35^{\circ} 47' 20''.5$ north, longitude $75^{\circ} 31' 20''$ west from Greenwich.

OCRACOKE.

The Ocracoke Light, about $23\frac{1}{2}$ nautical miles to the southward and westward of Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, will be changed at the same time (June 1st, 1854,) to a Fourth Order Fresnel Fixed White Light.

This light will be 75 feet above the level of the sea, illuminate the entire horizon, and should be seen, in good weather, from a position 15 feet above the water, at the distance of about $14\frac{1}{2}$ nautical or $16\frac{1}{2}$ statute miles.

The approximate position of Ocracoke Lighthouse, as determined by the Coast Survey, is—latitude $35^{\circ} 06' 31''.6$ north, longitude $75^{\circ} 58' 27''.4$ west from Greenwich.

By Order of the Lighthouse Board,

D. P. WOODBURY,
Captain of Engineers.

April 15, 1854.

Commission signed by Her Majesty.

Queen's Own Light Infantry Regiment of Tower Hamlets Militia.

George Frederick Weller Poley, Esq., late a Captain in Her Majesty's 20th Regiment, to be Captain and Adjutant, vice Cowell, retired.

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

Warwickshire Militia.

1st Regiment

William David Lloyd Sparrow, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 1st May, 1854.

2nd Regiment.

Francis Warburton, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Howe, resigned. Dated 1st May, 1854.

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

East Kent Regiment of Mounted Rifles.

Edward Cholmeley Dering, Gent., to be Cornet. Dated 8th May, 1854.

Edward Wheler Wheler, Gent., to be Cornet. Dated 9th May, 1854.

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

Brecknock Royal Rifle Regiment of Militia.

Howell Gwynne Howell, Esq., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1854.

William Dowding, Esq., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1854.

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

Merioneth Rifle Regiment of Militia.

Edward Abadam, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 8th May, 1854.

Thomas Ellis, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 8th May, 1854.

Royal Merioneth Militia.

John Henry Waterfall, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 13th May, 1854.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent.

East Kent Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant Frederick Warre to be Captain. Dated 8th May, 1854.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Buckingham.

2nd Regiment of Royal Bucks Yeomanry Cavalry.

Cornet Henry Drummond to be Lieutenant, vice Blandy, resigned. Dated 6th May, 1854.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Lanark.

Lanarkshire Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.

Lieutenant Robert Lockhart to be Captain, vice Gray, resigned. Dated 11th May, 1854.

Cornet John George Chancellor to be Lieutenant, vice Lockhart, promoted. Dated 11th May, 1854.

James Thomson Rankine, Gent., to be Cornet, vice Chancellor, promoted. Dated 11th May, 1854.