

Skerries of Stroma, which extend from the south-eastern side of Mallit Head on the island of Stroma, in the Pentland Firth, and are covered by the sea at high water.

The beacon consists of an open framework of iron, surmounted by a cylindrical cage, in all 40 feet above high water, and painted red.

Beacon on Bo Caolas, Loch Inver.

Also that a beacon has been erected on Bo Caolas, a rock which is covered at high water, and lies at the entrance to Loch Inver, on the west coast of Sutherlandshire.

The beacon is composed of cast-iron pillars surmounted by a cylindrical cage; it is elevated about 30 feet above high water, and painted red.

Beacon on Screen Rocks, Whithorn.

A beacon has also recently been placed on the Screen rocks at the entrance to the port of Whithorn, on the south-eastern coast of Wigtonshire.

This beacon is of iron, with a barrel top, and painted red.

By command of their Lordships,

John Washington, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
13th October, 1857.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Coast of Scotland, Sheet 5, No. 2181; Orkneys, No. 2180; and Pentland Firth, No. 2162; West Coast of Scotland, Sheet 9, No. 2386; Loch Inver, No. 1953. Also North Sea Pilot, Part 2, page 23.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 41.) SCOTLAND—EAST COAST.

Alteration in Colour of Buoys.

THE Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses have given notice, that in adopting a uniform system in colouring the buoys under their direction,—by which arrangement vessels entering a harbour should keep red buoys on the starboard hand, and black buoys on the port hand, while chequered buoys indicate centre patches,—the following changes have been made in the colours of the undermentioned buoys:

Dornoch Firth.

Tain bar inner buoy, north side, from black to red.
Tain bar inner buoy, south side, from red to black.

Cromarty Firth.

Nigg sand buoys from black to red.
Newhall buoy from red to black.

Moray Firth.

Whiten Ness sandhead buoy from red to black.

Inverness Firth.

Craig Mee buoy from red to black.
Skate bank buoy from black to red.
Munlochy buoy from black to chequered red and white.

Petty bank buoy from red to black.
Middle bank buoy from black to red.
Meikle Mee buoy from black to red.

By command of their Lordships,

John Washington, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
14th October, 1857.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—East Coast of Scotland, Sheet 4, No. 1823; Dornoch Firth, No. 2170; Cromarty Firth, No. 2167; Inverness Firth, No. 1451. Also North Sea Pilot, Part 2, chapters 3 and 4.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset-House, October 29, 1857.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of proceeds arising from the grant for the destruction of Pirates in the China Seas, by Her Majesty's ship Bittern, between the 27th June, 1854, and the 30th March, 1856, will commence on Monday the 16th November, 1857, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the "Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset-House."

Agents and other persons holding powers of attorney, prize orders, assignments, or other instruments, by virtue of which they may be legally entitled to claim the share of any captor, serving in the above-named ship, are requested to present the same at this office.

Any Officer, Seaman, Marine, or other person, who may desire to receive his share from the Collector of Customs or of Inland Revenue within the United Kingdom, is required to intimate the same by letter to be addressed "On Prize Business, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, London,"—in which letter his own place of residence is to be precisely stated, as well as the place of the nearest Collector of Customs, or of Inland Revenue, from whom it would be convenient to receive such share of prize money.

The following are the shares due to an individual in the several classes for services on the respective dates undermentioned:

27th June, 1854.

	£	s.	d.
Commander	7	0	0
Third class	7	18	1
Fourth class	5	1	8
Fifth class	2	16	5
Sixth class	2	10	11
Seventh class	1	13	11
Eighth class	0	16	11
Ninth class	0	11	4
Tenth class	0	5	7

1st and 22nd January, 1855.

	£	s.	d.
Commander	37	7	6
Third class	10	6	6
Fourth class	6	12	8
Fifth class	3	13	10
Sixth class	3	6	4
Seventh class	2	4	3
Eighth class	1	2	1
Ninth class	0	14	9
Tenth class	0	7	4

21st March, 1855.

	£	s.	d.
Commander	261	10	0
Third class	77	10	9
Fourth class	49	16	11
Fifth class	27	13	9
Sixth class	24	13	6
Seventh class	16	12	5
Eighth class	8	6	2
Ninth class	5	10	9
Tenth class	2	15	4