

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, April 29, 1887.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of the slave and additional tonnage bounty awarded for the slave dhow "Mahbrook" and 72 slaves, captured by Her Majesty's ship "Osprey," on 12th September, 1885, will commence on Tuesday, the 10th proximo, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the "Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Spring-gardens, S.W."

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 Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W." (enclosing his certificate of service, or an attested copy thereof, excepting in the case of Commissioned Officers),—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:—

	£	s.	d.
Flag	13	1	10
Commander	37	19	5
Third class	10	9	4
Fourth class	6	19	6
Fifth class	4	3	9
Sixth class	3	9	9
Seventh class	2	8	9
Eighth class	1	7	10
Ninth class	0	13	11
Tenth class	0	6	11

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 86 of the year 1887.)

BALTIC ENTRANCE.—THE SOUND.

Flint Channel and Approaches.—Adoption of Uniform System of Beacons and Buoys.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 7 (2) of 12th January, 1887, on the intended adoption of Uniform System of beacons and buoys on the Danish shore of Flint Channels and approaches:—

The Danish Government has given notice, dated 30th March, 1887, that the following alterations have been effected:—

Saltholm N.E. Flat Buoy is now surmounted by a staff and one black ball.

Biörn Spar-Buoy is now surmounted by three black balls.

North Flint Beacon has been replaced by a black spar-buoy surmounted by two black balls.

Saltholm S.E. Flat Buoy is now a black spar-buoy surmounted by one black ball.

South Flint Beacon has been replaced by a black spar-buoy surmounted by two black balls.

Saltholm South Beacon has been replaced by a black spar-buoy surmounted by three black balls.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

20th April, 1887.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Baltic Sea, No. 2842a; the Kattegat, No. 2114; the Sound, No. 2115; Approaches to Copenhagen with Drogden and Flint Channels, No. 790. Also, Danish Pilot, 1885, pages 156-160.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 87 of the year 1887.)

SCOTLAND.—WEST COAST.—FIRTH OF CLYDE.

Ardrossan.—Closing of Inner Harbour.

THE Ardrossan Harbour Authorities have given notice, that on and after 15th April, 1887, the inner harbour of Ardrossan would be closed, consequent on the construction of the new wet dock:—

Vessels approaching Ardrossan should be ready to anchor if necessary, immediately on passing the outer pier, so as to enter the outer basin or existing wet dock, where all traffic will be conducted till the new dock is completed.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

21st April, 1887.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Firth of Clyde and Loch Fyne, No. 2159; Ardrossan Harbour, No. 1404. Also, Sailing Directions for the West Coast of Scotland, Part II, 1886, pages 307, 331.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 88 of the year 1887.)

ENGLAND.—SOUTH COAST.—ISLE OF WIGHT.

(1.) *St. Catherine Point—Intended Alterations in Character of Light and Fog Signal.*

THE Trinity House, London, has given notice, dated 6th April, 1887, that early in the month of October, 1887, the following alterations will be made in the character of the light and fog-signal on St. Catherine Point:—

The light will be an electric flashing white light, showing a flash of about five seconds' duration every thirty seconds.

Also, that during thick or foggy weather, the fog siren will give two blasts (a high note followed by a low note), in quick succession, every minute.

(2.) *Needles—Intended Alterations in Character and Colour of Light.*

Also, has given notice, that on the same date the following alteration will be made in the character and colour of Needles Light:—

The light will be an occulting light, with an occultation once every minute, instead of once every half minute, as at present.

The arc of red light between the bearings of E. $\frac{1}{4}$ N. and N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ N. will be changed to white light, so that the light will then show white light between the bearings of E. by S. $\frac{3}{4}$ S. through north, and N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ N., and red from N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ N. to the land. In other respects the light is unchanged.

SCILLY ISLANDS.

(3.) *Round Island—Intended Red Light.*

Also, has given notice, that during the autumn of the year 1887, a light will be exhibited from a lighthouse now in course of erection on Round Island.

The light will be a flashing red light, showing a flash of about five seconds' duration every thirty seconds. It will be elevated 180 feet above high water, and should be visible in clear weather from a distance of 21 miles.

Position, lat. 49° 58' 45" N., long. 6° 19' 0" W.