

June 15, 1887.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

*Prison Department, England: Subordinate Officer, Division I, Francis Arnold.*

*Post Office: Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners, Arthur Campbell (Belfast), Michael Carroll (Sligo), John Albert Chandler (Hereford), Alfred George Fairey (Bedford), John William Mäystre (Manchester), Frank Metcalf (Manchester), Francis Henry Miller (Bedford), Edward Peel (Keswick), Frank Ernest Snook (Salisbury), William Wilson (Carnforth).*

*Postmen, Sidney Day (Bath), William Garibaldi Grimshaw (Fence Houses), John Sutherland (Glasgow), George Wishart (Aberdeen).*

#### NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

*Department of the Accountant-General the Navy, Admiralty, June 13, 1887.*

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of the tonnage bounty awarded for the dhow, name unknown, captured on the 24th September, 1885, by Her Majesty's ship "Ranger."

Agents or other persons having any just and legal demand, unliquidated, against the award, are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the Admiralty Division of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice, in order that the same may be examined, taxed, and allowed by that Officer, and paid under the sanction of the Judge of the said Court.

Due notice will be given, by future advertisement in the London Gazette, of the date proposed for the commencement of distribution; and, at the same time, the amount of an individual's share in the respective classes will be announced.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 151 of the year 1887.)

SOUTH AMERICA.—RIO DE LA PLATA.

(1.) *Santiago—Fixed Lights on Piers.*

INFORMATION has been received from the Senior Naval Officer, south-east coast of America, dated 19th November, 1886, that two lights are exhibited from the extremities of the piers now constructing near Santiago Village, Ensenada de Barragon, south side of Rio de la Plata. These piers form the entrance to the projected artificial harbour of La Plata:—

A fixed red light is shown from the extremity of the eastern pier, and a fixed white light from the extremity of the western pier.

Position (approximate), lat. 34° 48' S., long. 57° 54' W.

NOTE.—These lights, at present visible for only a few miles, will, in due course, be replaced by more efficient lights.

(2.) *Electric Lights at La Plata.*

Also, that two electric lights are now exhibited at La Plata for the primary purpose of lighting the town. They are however visible seaward:—

These lights may be visible in clear weather from a distance of 22 miles.

Position (approximate), lat. 34° 54' S., long. 57° 59' W.

NOTE.—Mariners should not rely on these electric lights being constantly exhibited.

By command of their Lordships,  
W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.  
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
6th June, 1887.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Rio de la Plata, with plan of Ensenada de Barragon, No. 2544; Monte Video to Buenos Aires, No. 1749. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in South America, 1887, page 12; and South America Pilot, Part I, 1885, page 202.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 152 of the year 1887.)

NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN.—AFRICAN COAST.

*Depths on Dacia Bank.*

THE French Government has given notice, that the following soundings were obtained in the French vessel of war "Orne," in April, 1887, when passing over Dacia Bank:—

First sounding 38 fathoms, second 12½ fathoms, third 60 fathoms; bottom sand and muddy gravel.

Position of 12½ fathoms as given, lat. 31° 15' 5" N., long. 13° 40' 20" W.

NOTE.—The depths given are as registered by Sir William Thomson's sounding machine. No indication of shoal water was seen from the vessel.

By command of their Lordships,  
W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.  
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
7th June, 1887.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Atlantic and Indian Oceans, No. 2483; North Atlantic Ocean, Nos. 2059, 2060a; Gibraltar Strait to Gambia River, No. 1226. Also, Africa Pilot, Part I, 1885, page 92.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 153 of the year 1887.)

ENGLAND—WEST COAST.

LIVERPOOL BAY—MERSEY RIVER ENTRANCE.

(1.) *Bar Light-Vessel—Intended Alteration in Character of Light, Fog Signal to remain Unaltered.*

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 249, of 19th October, 1886, and previous notices, on intended alterations in the light and fog signal on board Bar Light-vessel, Mersey River Entrance:—

The Mersey Docks and Harbour Board has given further notice, that on 29th July, 1887 (or as soon after as the weather will permit), the following alteration will be made in the light exhibited on board Bar Light-vessel:—

The light will be a triple flashing white light, every thirty seconds, in the following order—a flash of two seconds' duration; an eclipse of two seconds; a flash of two seconds; an eclipse of two seconds; a flash of two seconds, followed by an eclipse of twenty seconds.

Also, that the fog signal on board Bar Light-vessel, giving one blast every twenty seconds, will be continued as at present.

BRISTOL CHANNEL.

(2.) *Weston-super-Mare—Intended Beacon Marking Telegraph Cable.*

Information has been received from the Trinity House, London, dated 6th May, 1887, that it is intended to erect a beacon in Uphill Bay, near Weston-super-Mare, south shore of Bristol Channel:—

The beacon, a column surmounted by a staff and globe, in line with a church spire in Weston-super-Mare, bearing about E. by S. ¼ S., will indicate the direction of the telegraph cable, for a distance of about 2½ miles from the shore, whence it is laid to the westward, south of Steephelm; it will be situated with the following bearings and distance:—