

## SIGNALS

*Made at Partridge Island, and repeated at the Tower in Carleton, on the approach of vessels to the Harbour of Saint John.*

- One Ball close, for one square-rigged vessel.
- One Ball, half hoisted, for two square-rigged vessels.
- Two Balls, close, for three square-rigged vessels.
- Two Balls, separated, for four square-rigged vessels.
- A Pendant of any colour, for five square rigged vessels.
- A Pendant under a Ball, for six square rigged vessels.
- A Pendant over a Ball, half hoisted, for seven square rigged vessels.
- A Pendant under two Balls, close, for eight square rigged vessels.
- A Pendant between two Balls, separate, for nine square rigged vessels.
- A Flag of any colour, for ten or more vessels.

[The above are hoisted at the East or West yard arm, according to the quarter the vessels first appear in, and when their *rig* can be made out, the following descriptive colours will be hoisted at the mast head : ]

- A Union Jack for a Flag Ship, with or without a squadron.
- " with a red pendant over, for a two decker.
- " with a blue pendant over, for a frigate.
- " with a white ditto, for a small armed vessel.
- A blue Pendant, for a merchant ship.
- A red ditto, for a merchant brig.
- A white and blue ditto, for a foreign vessel.
- A white ditto (without a ball) for a topsail schooner or sloop.
- A flag blue and white horizontally, a neutral fleet.
- A pendant white and blue, a neutral man of war.
- A blue flag, a neutral merchant ship.
- A flag, red, white and blue, an enemy's fleet.
- A pendant, red, white and blue, an enemy's man-of-war.
- A Union Jack, over neutral or enemy's signals, the vessel is detained, or a prize.
- A white flag over any signal, the vessel bears a flag of truce.
- A red flag pierced white, for a steam boat from Digby.
- A blue flag pierced white, for a steam boat from Saint Andrews and Eastport.

A Ball at the mast head, vessel is on shore or in distress : should immediate aid be necessary, guns to be fired.

In thick weather, a gun will be fired at Partridge Island, in answer to each gun heard at sea. There is a Fog Bell on the Island, which is rung in foggy weather, to warn vessels of their approach to the shore.

When a vessel requires a Pilot, her descriptive Pendant will be shown at a yard arm, instead of a ball.

## TIME FOR GOING THROUGH THE FALLS.

(NEAR THE CITY OF SAINT JOHN.)

The Falls are level (or still water), at about 3 1-2 hours on the *flood*, and about 2 1-2 on the *ebb*, which makes them passable four times in twenty-four hours, about ten or fifteen minutes each time. —No other rule can be given, as much depends on the floods in the river Saint John, and the time of high water or full sea, which is often hastened by high winds, and in proportion to the height of them.

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