
the importance of assisting navigation through the Straits of Belle Isle, it is proposed to erect at Greenly Island, the steam fog-whistle which is no longer required at Cape Ray, owing to the establishment of a Woodward steam fog horn at that station. The Fog Whistle at Greenly Island will probably be put in operation next season.

As already stated, a Woodward steam fog-horn, worked by a small steam engine, has been established at Cape Ray, and from the Reports received it has proved satisfactory. These horns are of a simple description and can be maintained at much less expense than an ordinary steam fog-whistle.

Steps were taken to erect at Point Rich, during the last trip of the "Napoleon," one of the automatic Neptune fog-horns, lately invented and manufactured at Montreal, by the Neptune Fog-Horn Company, a description of which horn is given in the Report of the Agent of this Department. The horn at Point Rich was put into operation on the 10th October last, and instructions issued to the keeper to sound it during fogs and snow storms, so as to give a blast of eight seconds' duration every ten minutes. This horn was tested by the Inspector of Lights, after its establishment, and heard at a distance of two miles in a dead calm, but the sound was slight.

The lightship stationed at the Upper Traverse was repaired sufficiently to admit of her being kept at her station during the past season, but the vessel is no longer serviceable, and tenders have lately been invited for the construction of a new lightship.

The lighthouse tower at Egg Island, having been pronounced in a very unsafe condition, arrangements were made to build a new tower at this station, and the work has lately been completed. The expenditure for this tower will probably exceed a thousand dollars, and will appear in the accounts of the present fiscal year.

At West Point, Anticosti, as will be seen by the Report of the Agent, a break-water has been erected to protect the foundation of the lighthouse tower from the encroachment of the sea.

The following changes have occurred in the keepership of the lights in this Division since the date of last Report, viz.:—

By Order in Council of the 2nd February last, the salary of Mr. Thomas Roy, keeper of Grosse Isle Light, has been increased from \$350 to \$400 per annum, owing to increase of labour required by the changing of the light from a fixed to a revolving light.

By Order in Council of the 23rd February, Mr. David Damour was appointed keeper of the Red Island Lightship, at a salary of \$500, with an allowance of \$1,900 per annum to provide a duly qualified engineer to work the fog-whistle, and the