

## BERMUDA.

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Copy of a DESPATCH from Governor *Reid* to Earl *Grey*.

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Earl *Grey*,  
17 November 1846.*Vide Account  
annexed.*

My Lord,

Bermuda, 17 November 1846.

WITH reference to your Lordship's Circular Despatch, 22d August 1846, I have the honour to forward a Return of Lighthouses, which that circular requires.

In order to complete this return, it will be necessary to obtain from the Board of Ordnance the sum paid in England for the construction of the Bermuda Iron Lighthouse, as well as the cost of sending it out; the expense of erection here being all that is known on the spot.

I have, &amp;c.

(signed) *Wm. Reid*,  
Governor.

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THERE is but one Lighthouse in the Bermudas; this building is constructed of cast-iron, and is 125 feet in height from its foundation; its erection was commenced in 1843 and the work was completed and for the first time lighted on the 1st May 1846.

The building, with all its fittings, machinery, &c. &c., was constructed in England, and conveyed to Bermuda at the expense of the British Government; but the amount of that cost is not known here.

The cost of its erection, including pay-lists for sappers and miners, soldiers of the line and convicts, bills for timber, wharfage, &c., pay-lists for the superintending civil engineer and civil artificers, and cost of materials issued from the engineer stores at Bermuda, but exclusive of tools and materials received from England, amounted to 2,252*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* sterling, the whole of which sum was provided from the British Treasury, through the commissariat at Bermuda.

The cost of maintaining the light, is provided by the colony from a toll of 4*d.* per ton, levied upon vessels frequenting its ports, and from a rated payment of 5*l.* from each steamer of the Royal West India Steam Company, on arrival and departure. The annual cost of maintaining the light is estimated at 430*l.* The average annual amount of the toll, inclusive of the payments by the mail steamers, is estimated at 440*l.*

(signed) *Robert Kennedy*,  
Colonial Secretary.Bermuda, Secretary's Office,  
16 November 1846.SUMS paid in *England* for construction of the BERMUDA IRON LIGHTHOUSE, between the Years 1843 and 1846.

	£.	s.	d.
Allowance to Alexander Gordon, Civil Engineer, for making a report, with plan - - - - -	210	-	-
George Grove, Civil Engineer - - - - -	315	4	4
John Owen, coach-hire whilst travelling to inspect - - - - -	10	19	-
Messrs. Cottam & Hallam, for the lighthouse - - - - -	2,534	8	-
R. Wilkins & Son, for lanterns, &c. - - - - -	1,981	8	4
Martin Lowe and Arthur Irvine, Artificers - - - - -	168	13	-
John Huggens, for bricks - - - - -	65	18	9
Messrs. Davy & Pegg, coals - - - - -	18	8	9
J. Burge, lanterns, &c. - - - - -	30	16	6
Joseph Hewetson, Civil Engineer - - - - -	74	-	-
Captain Wulff, R. N., for superintending - - - - -	27	-	-
TOTAL - - - - - £.	5,436	16	8