

about five miles below Father Point, to indicate the Point, and has painted on it in white letters the words "Cock Point."

Three extra black buoys have been placed this season at Matane River—two spar buoys to indicate the channel in the river, and one can buoy on the edge of the bank outside the river, in five fathoms of water—Matane Church bearing south, and the lighthouse south-west, and "Matane Buoy" painted in white on the head.

There are also three other buoys at New Richmond Bay, Baie des Chaleur, viz.: One black buoy to westward of ballast grounds, one red buoy eastward of the harbour, and one white buoy at the entrance to the harbour.

Eleven new can buoys were sent last spring to Chicoutimi to replace the old barrel buoys. I personally visited these buoys in charge of Mr. Montgomery, and found them all in good order.

The buoys and lights near Chicoutimi are attended to this season by Mr. Wm. Warren, of Chicoutimi.

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### BEACONS.

This Agency has 54 beacons under its supervision. Those on the River St. Lawrence act as bearings to station buoys, and as marks to vessels loading up and down the channel.

Owing to the general unevenness of the coast upon the Island of Anticosti, and also between Cape Chatte and Cape Rosier, the beacons upon these localities are intended to enable vessels to recognize their position. The two on the Labrador shore also distinguishing points on the coast, and mark the entrance to Bonne Esperance and Coacoahoo Bay, both excellent harbours of refuge. The beacon upon Lark Islet has been removed, the lighthouse answering its purpose.

They are reported in good order, and distributed as follows, viz. :—

- 1 at St. Vallier,
  - 11 at Crane Island,
  - 2 at Goose Island,
  - 1 at Wood Pillar,
  - 1 at St. John's Point,
  - 4 at St. Rochs,
  - 2 at Grand Island, Kamouraska.
  - 2 at Hare Island,
  - 1 at Cacouna,
  - 2 at Green Island,
  - 2 at Red Island,
  - 3 in the Saguenay,
  - 3 at Bic Island,
  - 2 at St. Fabien,
  - 4 at Anticosti, south side,
  - 3 at Anticosti, north side,
  - 2 at Labrador Coast,
  - 5 between Cape Chatte and Cape Rosier,
  - 2 at St. François, Island of Orleans,
  - 1 at Cape Rouge, Montée du Lac.
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