

SINGULAR PHENOMENON.—About midnight on the 19th ult., a singular phenomenon was witnessed on board the Stornoway royal mail packet, in the Minch, by Capt. Macaulay and his crew and passengers. The weather was serene in the extreme, and the water smooth and shining, when in a moment the ship was surrounded by lights burning as brilliantly as torches. The flame possessed a bluish tinge, and illuminated the sky to such a degree that one could have seen to pick a pin off the ship's deck. One of the lights passed close by the packet, and appeared exactly like the flame arising from ignited whisky or spirits of wine.