

## Military Reconnaissance of Killiney Bay

### General

Chapter 1 Killiney Bay is enclosed on the one side by the headland of Dalkey and on the other by the high head of Bray, near which stands the village of Bray and the little river Dargle which washes its walls. The direction of the bay runs North-West and South-East, and over a distance of (about ( ) ) in a straight line.

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### The Coast

Chapter 2 Along the greater part of its length, the coastline is bordered by cliffs, varying from an average height of 30 to 70 feet above sea level. However these cliffs occasionally fall away completely, as can be seen on the map,

1. between the foot of the obelisk mountain and the lime-kiln, over a space of 300 yards.
2. at the mouth of the stream which runs across the brow of the camp over a space of 400 yards
3. at the mouth of the little Dargle river which runs into the sea near Bray village, over a space of 600 yards and from there to the mountain of Bray Head.

At high water, the sea washes the foot of these cliffs, but at low water it exposes a fairly big stretch of shore composed of fine sand. The width of this stretch varies with the depth (of the sea bed) and the height of the tides.

Where there are cliffs, these are often broken by ramps erected for their convenience by local residents, or by cuttings caused by the continual flow of little streams or rivulets which flow into the sea.

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