the handle, until the primer was eventually unscrewed and taken out of the depth-charge, thus rendering it safe. This operation was of the most dangerous nature, as at any moment the stern of the ship might have dropped off before the depthcharge was removed and would have carried down both the officer and the man, who would have inevitably lost their lives. The explosion would also have destroyed the remaining portion of the ship, with loss of life to those of the crew who were on board.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL SALVAGE MONEY.

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Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W. 1, 21st February 1919.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of the undermentioned Awards of salvage money will commence on Saturday, the 22nd instant, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W. 1.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not now serving, should be addressed "On Prize Business :- to the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W. 1." Such applications (except in the case of Com-missioned Officers) should be accompanied by Certificates of Service.

Salvage of S.S. "Teesdale" by H.M. Ship "Boyne," H.M. Torpedo Boat "104," H.M. Trawlers "Stanley Weyman" and "Buffalo II," H.M. Tugs "Fortitude," "Woonda," "Aetna," "Wapiti," "Trusty," "Rover," and Mooring Vessel "D.W. No. 13," on 15th and 16th June 1917.

Salvage of barque "La Epoca" by H.M. Tug "Warrior" on 23rd February 1917.

Salvage of schooner "Diana" by H.M. Tug "Warrior" between 1st and 4th May 1917.

Salvage of S.S. "Messina" by H.M. Tugs "Warrior," "Stormcock," and "Hellespont," between 20th and 22nd February 1917.

War Office, 17th February 1919.

NOTICE.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council hereby give notice that the Leather (Shipment to or from Ireland) Order, 1918, and the Leather (Shipment to or from Ireland) Amendment Order, 1918, are cancelled as from 1st March 1919.

By Order of the Army Council,

R. H. BRADE.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 363 of the year 1919.

SCOTLAND, WEST COAST.

FIRTH OF CLYDE-SPECIAL REGULATIONS NO LONGER IN FORCE.

Former Notice.-No. 241 of 1919; hereby cancelled.

Notice is hereby given that the Regulations for the Firth of Clyde, published in the former Notice under the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, are no longer in force.

(Notice No. 363 of 1919.)

Charts which were temporarily affected.

No. 2131, Arran island to Gare loch ; No. 2159, Firth of Clyde and Loch Fyne ;

No. 1577, Western approaches to Firth of Clyde ;

No. 1825a, Irish channel, northern sheet; No. 1824a, East coast of Ireland, with Irish channel

No. 2635, Scotland, west coast.

Authority.-The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. (H. 1374/19.)

By Command of their Lordships,

J. F. PARRY,

Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 21st February 1919.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 373 of the year 1919.

BRITISH PORTS.

EXAMINATION SERVICE SUSPENDED EXCEPT AT CERTAIN PORTS.

Notice is hereby given that the Examination Service has been suspended at all ports of the British Empire with the exception of the following ports in the United Kingdom :- Firth of Forth, Cromarty, and Scapa Flow.

Full information with regard to Examination Service is given in Admiralty Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 1919.

(Notice No. 373 of 1919.)

Authority .--- The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. (H.1454/19.)

By Command of their Lordships,

J. F. PARRY, Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 21st February 1919.