ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 1516 of the year 1919.

SCOTLAND, EAST COAST.

FIRTH OF FORTH-PROHIBITED AREA WITH REGARD TO ANCHORING AND TRAWLING.

Position.—Hawkcraig point, lat. 56° 03' N., long. 3° 17′ W.

Details.—The anchoring of boats for the use of fishing nets and trawls is prohibited within the following area:

Limits:

- (a) On the West.—By a line drawn from the pier on the northern side of Hawkcraig point in a 207° (S. 44° W. Mag.) direction for a distance of 6 cables.
- (b) On the South.—By a line drawn from the southern extremity of limit (a) in a 93° (S. 70° E. Mag.) direction for a distance of 6 cables.
- (c) On the East.—By a line drawn from the eastern extremity of limit (b) in a 10° (N. 27° E. Mag.) direction for a distance of 6 cables.

Remarks.—The above area is to be surrounded on the chart by pecked lines and a note, "Pro-hibited Area for Anchoring and Fishing," inserted within it.

Variation.-17° W.

(Notice No. 1516 of 1919.)

Chart affected.—No. 114b, Firth of Forth, Fisherrow to Port Edgar.

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Authority.—King's Harbour Master, Rosyth. (H. 3240/19.)

By Command of their Lordships,

F. C. LEARMONTH, Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 8th September 1919.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 1519 of the year 1919.

ENGLAND, SOUTH-EAST COAST.

DOVER STRAIT—TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Former Notice.—No. 1275 of 1919; hereby cancelled.

1. Shipping is to proceed in accordance with the instructions laid down in the Mine Warnings to Mariners.

2. Vessels proceeding through the Straits of Dover are no longer boarded for the purpose of issuing to them route instructions unless they require it.

Vessels proceeding into the North sea which wish to obtain the latest Mine Warnings to Mariners or other information regarding routes in order to check, correct, or amplify the instructions already in their possession, must pass through the Downs, and should:

(a) By day, fly Y flag International Code.

- (b) By night, make the flashing signal "Y" by Morse code, until attended to, to indicate that they wish to be boarded for this purpose. They should approach the boarding vessel, which will exhibit:
 - (a) By day, 3 black balls horizontally.(b) By night, 3 red lights horizontally.
- 3. On and after 1st October 1919 the Boarding Service in the Downs will be discontinued, and the arrangements notified in paragraph 2 above will then cease.

Vessels requiring the latest Mine Warnings to Mariners must then obtain them through the same sources by which they obtain Admiralty Notices to Mariners under normal peace arrangements.

4. British Merchant vessels approaching the Straits of Dover are to hoist their number in the International Code.

Note.—This Notice is a revision of the former Notice quoted above.

(Notice No. 1519 of 1919.)

Authority.—The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. (H. 6696/19.)

By Command of their Lordships,

F. C. LEARMONTH, Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 8th September 1919.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 1520 of the year 1919.

CAUTION WHEN APPROACHING BRITISH PORTS.

> PART I. CLOSING OF PORTS.

Former Notice.—No. 1 of 1919; hereby cancelled.

(1) My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, having taken into consideration the fact that it may be necessary to forbid all entrance to certain ports of the Empire, this is to give Notice that on approaching the shores of the United Kingdom, or any of the ports or localities of the British Empire, referred to in Part III. of this Notice, a sharp look-out should be kept for the signals described in the following paragraph, and for the vessels mentioned in paragraph (5), Part II., of this Notice, and the distinguishing and other signals made by them. In the event of such signals being displayed, the port or locality should be approached with great caution, as it may be apprehended that obstructions may exist.

(2) If entrance to a port is prohibited, three red vertical lights by night, or three red vertical balls by day, will be exhibited in some conspicuous position, in or near to its approach, which signals will also be shown by the vessels indicated in paragraph (5), Part II., of this Notice.

If these signals are displayed, vessels must approach the port with the greatest caution and implicitly obey all orders or signals given them by the Examination vessel or signal station.

(3) At all the ports or localities at home or