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*Foreign-Office, September 22, 1853.*

**T**HE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. George N. Saunders as Consul in London for the United States of America.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall, September 22, 1853.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received a despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Rotterdam, inclosing translations of various notices to Mariners issued by the Minister of the Netherlands Marine Department, relative to changes in Sea Marks, copies of which are subjoined.

By order,  
T. H. Farrer.

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## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE Minister of Marine hereby gives notice that on account of the change which has taken place in the Friesche Sea Gat, the outside buoy and the outer buoys, have been placed more eastward, and the number diminished by a black and a white buoy, so that at present the white flag buoy is the fourth white buoy on entering; that likewise the painted buoy, indicating the Sea Gat, has been substituted by a red anchor-shaped buoy with a basket top.

This red anchor-shaped buoy is placed in 100 palms depth, in the following bearings:

The large lighthouse at Schiermonnikoog, S.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E.

The large lighthouse at the Englishman's Bank, S.W.  $\frac{3}{4}$  S.

The bearings in which this buoy, coming from sea can be recognized, are: the steeple of Wieram in three, with the lighthouses on the Englishman's Bank, (namely Wieram, to the west of the small lighthouse).

The outside 1st black buoy lies in 42 palms depth, and in these bearings:

The large lighthouse at Schiermonnikoog, S. to E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E.

The large lighthouse at the Englishman's Bank, S.W. to W.

The outside 1st white buoy lies in 45 palms depth, bearing:

The large lighthouse at Schiermonnikoog, S. to E.

The large lighthouse at the Englishman's Bank,

S.W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S. and on the mark, the steeple of Wieram, in the small lighthouse on the Englishman's Bank.

The course to be followed is S.W. to W., from the red buoy to the 4th buoy, as near as possible in the middle of the channel.

The shallowest sounding at the entrance of the Channel is from 33 to 35 palms, it is shallowest along the white buoys.

No change has taken place in the buoys farther inland. It must be borne in mind that with northerly winds and ebb tide, the navigation between the outer buoys is generally very difficult and the sea very rough. It is very difficult to enter with south-westerly winds at flood tide. The bearings are taken by unadjusted compass, and the soundings at ordinary low water.

Ere long buoys will likewise be placed in the Middle Gat, of which further notice will be given. *The Hague, the 18th of August, 1853.*

The Minister aforementioned.

(Signed) T. ENSLIE.

(Copy.)

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE Minister of Marine hereby gives notice, in connexion with sundry former notices, that, for better observation at sea, large anchor-shaped beacon buoys have been placed as outer buoys in most of the mouths of rivers in the kingdom, furnished with a crown or top basket, and more especially—

Outside the North-east Friesche Sea Gat.

- „ „ North-east Sea Gat of Terschelling.
- „ „ Thomas Smith Gat.
- „ „ Stortemelksche Sea Gat (the Flie).
- „ „ Westgat } of Texel.
- „ „ Schulpengat }
- „ „ Brouwershaven Sea Gat.
- „ „ Roompot Sea Gat (East Schelde).
- „ „ East Gat } Western Schelde
- „ „ Wielingen }

The above-mentioned buoys, lying outside the Friesche Sea Gat, those of Terschelling and the Flie, as also those outside the East Gat of the Western Schelde, are painted red, the others are black.

For the same purpose an iron pyramidal sea buoy has for some time been placed outside the Slijkgat of Goedereede.

*The Hague, the 23rd of August, 1853.*

The Minister aforementioned.

(Signed) T. ENSLIE.