

the following half year, to 11th March, 1882, will be at the rate of two and a half per centum per annum.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall,  
September 1, 1881.

**Civil Service Commission, September 2, 1881.**

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that at an Open Competitive Examination for two situations as Indexing and Abridging Clerk in the Patent Office (one in the Chemical and one in the Mechanical Branch), held under the Regulations dated the 14th December, 1880, notice of which examination was given in the London Gazette of 8th July, 1881, the under-mentioned Candidates obtained the first three places :—

| Number in Order of Merit. | Name.  |
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| 1                         | Mather, Thomas (qualified for either Branch)                       |
| 2                         | Needham, Joseph Edward (qualified for the Mechanical Branch only)  |
| 3                         | Sexton, Frederick Maurice (qualified for the Chemical Branch only) |

**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**

(No. 154.)—SOUTH AMERICA—BRITISH GUIANA.  
*Demerara River Entrance—Alteration in position of Light-Vessel.*

INFORMATION has been received from Captain R. G. Kinahan, H.M.S. "Orontes," that in July, 1881, the light-vessel at Demerara River entrance was lying in 14 feet at low water, about four miles inshore of the position assigned her.

Position approximate, lat. 6° 56' 10" N., long. 58° 7' 40" W.

By command of their Lordships,  
*Fredk. J. Evans*, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
20th August, 1881.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—Georgetown and Mouths of Essequibo and Demerara Rivers, No. 533; approaches to Demerara and Essequibo Rivers, No. 527. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in South America, 1881, No. 4; List of Lights in the West India Islands and adjacent Coasts, 1881, No. 90; and West India Pilot, Vol. I, 1872, pages 50, 52, and 53.

**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**

(No. 155.)—AFRICA—EAST COAST.  
*Inhambane River Bar.*

THE following information has been received from Mr. J. Smith, commanding the British India Steam Navigation Company's steam vessel "Abyssinia," relative to change in the Bar of Inhambane River :—

The bar, nearly four miles from the shore, appears to have shifted southward of its former position.

On bringing the entrance to bear W.S.W., a white mark, locally known as the Pedestal, and resembling the front of a chapel, will be seen on the beach on Inalinga Peninsula, and beyond it on the summit of the hill are two isolated trees (the southern being the most remarkable) with a small white pillar between them, which shows clearly in the morning.

The Pedestal just open southward of the southernmost tree leads to the bar in the deepest water—on shoaling the water on the bar, bring the Pedestal about two points on the port bow, keeping it so until well open of the southern isolated tree, and nearly in line with a small double tree; then steer towards the Pedestal, with the marks in that position, which lead clear of the shoals on the south side of the Channel.

Vessels should keep well outside the bar until the leading marks are brought on, as the water shoals quickly; and should on no account proceed above the anchorage off the Pedestal without a pilot, on account of the numerous sand banks between it and the town of Inhambane.

NOTE.—The above supersedes par. 3, page 173, of Africa Pilot, Part III, commencing "The Bar."

[The bearing is magnetic. Variation 21½° Westerly in 1881.]

By command of their Lordships,  
*Fredk. J. Evans*, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
24th August, 1881.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—Delagoa Bay to Masanzani Bay with plan of Inhambane River, No. 648. Also, Africa Pilot, Part III, 1878, page 173.

**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**

(No. 156.)—MEDITERRANEAN.

(1.) *Gibraltar New Mole—Sector of White Light.*

INFORMATION has been received from the Senior Naval Officer at Gibraltar, that a sector of white light is now shown from the light-house near the extremity of a New Mole at that place. It is visible inshore through an arc of 90° or between the bearings of S.W. and N.W.

SPAIN.—SOUTH-EAST COAST.

(2.) *Red Light at Port Aguilas.*

The Spanish Government has given notice, that on 1st July, 1881, a light was exhibited from a lantern on a wooden post, 33 feet within the outer extremity of the breakwater in course of construction at Port Aguilas :—

The light is a fixed red light of the sixth order, elevated 26 feet above the sea, and visible seaward through an arc of 270° or between the bearings of S. 61½° W. and S. 28½° E.

NOTE.—The breakwater now measures 115 yards, 104 yards from inner end to the light, and 11 yards outside the light.

[The bearings are magnetic. Variation, Gibraltar 17½°, Aguilas 16½°, Westerly in 1881.]

By command of their Lordships,  
*Fredk. J. Evans*, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
26th August, 1881.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—

(1.) Gibraltar to Alicante, No. 2717; Cape St. Vincent to Gibraltar Strait, No. 92; Gibraltar Strait, No. 142; Gibraltar Bay, No. 1448; Gibraltar, No. 144; Gibraltar New Mole, No. 524. Also, Admiralty of Lights in the Mediterranean, 1881, No. 12; List of Lights on the North and West Coasts of France, &c., 1881, No. 351; Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1873, page 42; and Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1881, page 319.

(2.) Gibraltar to Alicante with Plan of Port Aguilas, No. 2717. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in the Mediterranean, 1881, No. 32; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1873, page 88.