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UNDER CLAUSE VII OF THE ORDER IN COUNCIL OF 4TH JUNE, 1870.

Local Government Board, Ireland: Clerk, Lower Division, Joseph Flynn.

Public Works Office, Ireland: Clerk, Lower Division, George Frederick Long.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 141 of the year 1888.)

MEDITERRANEAN.—EGYPT.

Time Signals at Alexandria.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 51 (3) of 1st April, 1885, on time signals having been established at the Observatory, Fort Napoleon, Alexandria:—

The following information, relating to the above time signals, has been received from the Controller-General of Lighthouses and Outports, Egypt:—

The signal is a ball, which is dropped twice daily from the Signal Station, Fort Napoleon or Caffarelli (Kom-el Nadoura), as follows:—

(1.) The ball is dropped firstly, at noon mean time at the Great Pyramid of Gizeh—equivalent to 21h. 55m. 29.5s. Greenwich mean time.

(2.) The ball is dropped secondly, at noon, Alexandria mean time—equivalent to 22h. 0m. 27s. Greenwich mean time.

Position of time signals, lat. $31^{\circ} 11' 39''$ N., long. $29^{\circ} 53' 15''$ E.

NOTE.—Should the apparatus fail, the ball will be again hoisted, and dropped at 1h. 0m. 0s. Alexandria mean time—equivalent to 23h. 0m. 26s. Greenwich mean time.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
24th May, 1888.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Port of Alexandria, No. 243. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II., 1885, page 267; and List of Time Signals, 1880, page 28.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 142 of the year 1888.)

WEST INDIES—VENEZUELA.—CARIACO GULF.

(1.) Fixed Red Light at Cumana.

INFORMATION has been received that a light is exhibited from a structure on the roof of the new custom-house, Cumana, southern shore of Cariaco Gulf:—

The light is a fixed red light, and should be visible in clear weather from a distance of about five miles.

Position, approximate lat. $10^{\circ} 28'$ N., long. $64^{\circ} 13'$ W.

UNITED STATES.—GULF OF MEXICO.

(2.) Brazos Santiago—Discontinuance of Light on Isabel Point.

The United States Government has given notice, that on or about 15th May, 1888, the fixed and flashing light hitherto shown from Isabel Point, Brazos Santiago, Texas, would be discontinued.

Position, lat. $26^{\circ} 5'$ N., long. $97^{\circ} 12'$ W.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
24th May, 1888.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Island of Trinidad to Los Roques, with

Plan of Cumana, No. 394 (1); Margarita Island and Cariaco Gulf, No. 230 (1); Gulf of Mexico, No. 392 (2); Louisiana and Texas Coasts, &c., No. 1639 (2). Also, Admiralty List of Lights on the Eastern Coasts of North America, &c., 1888, page 148, No. 979; and West India Pilot, Vol. I, 1883, pages 129, 428.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 143 of the year 1888.)

CHINA—EAST COAST.

Wusung River.—Alterations in Light at Entrance.

THE Chinese Government has given notice, dated 9th April, 1888, that in consequence of changes having taken place in the channel across Wusung Outer Bar, the following alterations have been made in Wusung Light southward of Fort A, western side of entrance to Wusung River:—

The light shows white from the bank of the Yang-tse-Kiang, north-westward of the lighthouse, to the bearing S. $14\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ W.; green, between the bearings S. $14\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ W. and S. $57\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ W.; white, between S. $57\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ W. and S. 71° W.; and red between S. 71° W. and the left (western) bank of Wusung River.

Position, lat. $31^{\circ} 23' 20''$ N., long. $121^{\circ} 30' 10''$ E.

[The bearings are magnetic, and are given from seaward. Variation $2\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ Westerly in 1888.]

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W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
24th May, 1888.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Entrance to the Yang-tse-Kiang, No. 1602; Wusung or Wongpu River, with plan of entrance, No. 1601. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in South Africa, East Indies, China, &c., 1888, No. 438; and China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1884, page 436.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 144 of the year 1888.)

PERSIAN GULF.—BASIDUH APPROACH.

(1.) Shoal Ground South-Eastward of Ras Kharzieh.

INFORMATION has been received from Commander Johnson, H.M.S. "Ranger," of the existence of shoal ground off Ras Kharzieh, western approach to Basiduh, Persian Gulf:—

This shoal ground was found, from an examination made by the "Ranger," to have depths of 9 to 13 feet over it, and to extend $4\frac{1}{4}$ cables south-eastward from Ras Kharzieh; its southern edge is very steep, the water shoaling rapidly from 12 and 10 fathoms to 13 feet.

Position, south-east extreme of shoal ground, lat. $26^{\circ} 30' 30''$ N., long. $54^{\circ} 51' 45''$ E.

HINDUSTAN.—WEST COAST.—CALICUT.

Landing Signals.

Information has been received that the following signals are shown from the flag-staff at Calicut, west coast of Hindustan:—

(1.) A red and white chequered flag, hoisted at the flag-staff, indicates that the height of the surf makes landing dangerous.

(2.) A red and white chequered flag, above a pendant, hoisted at the flag-staff, indicates that the height of the surf makes landing impracticable.

Position, approximate, latitude $11^{\circ} 15'$ N., longitude $75^{\circ} 46'$ E.

NOTE.—The signal for a boat at night, is three lights, placed horizontally, near each other.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
24th May, 1888.