found of 3½ fathoms being confined to a small coral patch in lat. 12° 8′ S., long. 41° 21¾ E.

Beyond the depth of 100 fathoms the soundings

Beyond the depth of 100 fathoms the soundings increase rapidly; at six miles north-east of the shoalest part, 1,080 fathoms were found, and at 14 and 25 miles eastward of the shoal part 1,308 and 1,131 fathoms were obtained.

A regular tide was observed when at anchor on the bank, the flood setting E.S.E. about four hours, and the ebb W.N.W. about seven hours, with about half an hour slack water; the strength at springs was two knots; the rise and fall approximately 12 feet. It is probable that at a little distance from the bank, and when out of the influence of the tidal streams that exist upon it, the currents vary in direction and velocity at different times of the year.

Fish in abundance were caught on the bank.

Having regard to the nature of this examination as detailed by Commander Pullen, it is considered that the several shoal soundings hitherto reported on or near St. Lazarus Bank, fall within the area assigned to it by H.M.S." Stork."

[The bearings are magnetic. Variation 12°

Westerly in 1889.]

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 29th May, 1889.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Indian Ocean, No. 748a, b; Delagoa Bay to Cape Guardafui, No. 597; Comoro Islands, No. 2762; Mozambique Harbour to Ras Pekawi, No. 1809. Also, Africa Pilot, Part III, 1884, pages 412-414.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. (No. 179 of the year 1889.) ENGLAND—EAST COAST.—RIVER THAMES ENTRANCE

Position of Long Sand Light-Vessel. FROM information received, there seems every reason to believe that Long Sand Light-vessel now lies in lat. 51° 48′ 20″ N., long. 1° 42′ 15″ E., or 1½ miles east of her present position on the Admiralty Charts.

An early opportunity will be taken of ascertaining her exact position.

[The bearing is magnetic. Variation 16½° Westerly in 1889.]

By command of their Lordships,
W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
29th May, 1889.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Sea, Nos. 2339, 2182*a*; English Channel, No. 1598; Dover and Calais to Orfordness, No. 1406; North Foreland to Orfordness, No. 1610; Kentish Knock to West Swin, No. 1975; Harwich, approaches, No. 2052. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in the British Islands, 1889, No. 147; and North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1882, page 197.

INCOME TAX.

WHEREAS it has become necessary to renew the list of persons to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners appointed to act in the division of New Sarum, in the county of Wilts, as Commissioners for the general purposes of the Acts of Parliament for granting to Her Majesty duties on profits arising from property, professions, trades, and offices: Now we, two of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in pursuance of the powers vested in us in that behalf,

do hereby convene a meeting of the Land Tax Commissioners for the city of New Sarum, the close of the same, and Clarendon Park, being respectively qualified to act as such Commissioners, to be holden at the Municipal Offices, Endless-street, Salisbury, on Wednesday, the 19th day of June, 1889, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of choosing fit and proper persons to be Commissioners to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners for the general purposes of the Income Tax Acts for the division of New Sarum aforesaid.

F. Lacy Robinson. Sidney F. Osborne.

Inland Revenue, Somerset House, London, June 5, 1889.

INCOME TAX.

WHEREAS it has become necessary to renew the list of persons to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners appointed to act in the division of Peterborough, in the county of Northampton, as Commissioners for the general purposes of the Acts of Parliament for granting to Her Majesty duties on profits arising from property, professions, trades, and offices: Now we, two of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in pursuance of the powers vested in us in that behalf, do hereby convene a meeting of the Land Tax Commissioners for the county aforesaid, being respectively qualified to act as such Commissioners, to be holden at the Board Room, Market-street, Peterborough, on Saturday, the 6th day of July, 1889, at half-past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of choosing fit and proper persons to be Commissioners to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners for the general purposes of the Income Tax Acts for the division of Peterborough aforesaid.

F. Lacy Robinson. Sidney F. Osborne.

Inland Revenue, Somerset House, London, June 5, 1889.

In Parliament.—Session 1889

South-Eastern Railway.

(Alteration of Railway during progress of Bill through Parliament; Compulsory Purchase of

Lands; Deposit of Amended Plans, &c.) OTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the Standing Orders of the House of Lords that the South-Eastern Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Company"), who, with certain other Companies, are promoting a Bill bearing the above name or short title, and which is now pending in Parliament, for (amongst other things) authorizing the construction of a deviation railway and works situate wholly in the county of Kent, and in the parishes of Maidstone, East Farleigh, and Loose, or some or one of them, intend to seek the sanction of Parliament to an theration of the lines and levels of a portion of the said intended railway and works as shown upon the plans and sections deposited in the month of November last with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Kent in the manner and to the extent shown upon the amended plan and section hereinafter referred to, and that the said intended alteration will be situate partly in the parish of Maidstone, and partly in the parish of Loose, in the said county.

The Bill will empower the Company to purchase and take by compulsion and agreement for the purposes of the said intended railway and works as proposed to be altered, all or some of the lands, howers, and hereditaments shown upon