

*Sorters, Dublin, John Joseph Gaynor, Joseph Patrick Woodcock.*

*Postmen, Charlie Robinson (Otley), Herbert Tomlin (Oundle), John Wood (Stockport).*

October 3, 1890.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

*Customs: Boatman, Ernest Alfred Tooke.*

*Census Office (Ireland): Clerk, Matthew Hynes.*

*Post Office: Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners, William Henry Gould (Wednesbury), George Ernest Stuart (Manchester), Raymond Vincent Thomas Swingle (Shrewsbury).*

*Postmen, Percy Atkins (Lewes), Edward San Josef Bleackley (Bournemouth), Thomas Bowen (Pontypridd), William James Cogan (Bristol), William Darkin (Leeds), John Ennion (Birkenhead), Frederick Alexander George Horton (Bristol), Arthur Henry Imber (Bournemouth), Horace William Jenner (Edenbridge).*

October 4, 1890.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

*Admiralty, Pensioner Messenger, John Edward Holtum.*

*Prisons Department, England: Assistant Matron, Alice Keogh.*

*Post Office: Sorter, London, Henry Thomas Woodward.*

*Postmen, London, Thomas John Bond, Ernest Charles Carter, Albert Edward Cooper, William Thomas Hoy Stearn.*

*Porters, London, Arthur Clark, George Tubb. Skilled Telegraphist, Edinburgh, Elizabeth Mary Kydd.*

*Sorting Clerk and Telegraph Learner, Pontypridd, John Jones.*

*Postmen, George Tilley Allan (Ladybank), Alfred John Rolfe (Tunbridge), Michael Walsh (Burnley), William Watson, otherwise William Watson Hoodless (Alford).*

#### NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 518 to 537 of the year 1890.)

[The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.]

#### No. 518.—SOUTH-EAST AMERICA STATION.

SOUTH AMERICA—BRAZIL.—RIVER PARÁ.

*Chapeo Virado Light—Alteration in Colour.*

The Brazilian Government has given notice, that on 7th September, 1890, the following alteration would be made in the colour of Chapeo Virado Light, Eastern shore of River Pará:—

Chapeo Virado Light is a fixed red light.

Approximate position, lat.  $1^{\circ} 8' S.$ , long.  $48^{\circ} 28' W.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cabo do Norte to Maranham, No. 1803; River Pará, No. 2186. Also, Admiralty List of Lights in South America, 1890, No. 17; and South America Pilot, Part I, 1885, page 413.

#### No. 519.—CHINA STATION.

BORNEO.—NORTH-EAST COAST.

*Shoal Eastward of Marchesa Bay.*

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 408 (3) of 1890, on the existence of a bank lying eastward of Marchesa Bay, with depths of  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ , and 8 fathoms on it in approximately lat.  $6^{\circ} 43\frac{1}{2}'$  to lat.  $6^{\circ} 42' N.$ , long.  $118^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{2}' E.$ :—

Information has been received from Commander G. A. Giffard, Her Majesty's ship "Wanderer" of the existence of an extensive shoal, consisting of several patches with deep water between, lying

south-eastward of the above-mentioned bank. The least depth found was 12 feet at low water spring tides, in approximately lat.  $6^{\circ} 42\frac{1}{2}' N.$ , long.  $118^{\circ} 6' E.$

NOTE.—As less water may exist on this shoal, Mariners should use caution when navigating in the vicinity.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, Nos. 1263, 2660b; Paláwan Island, No. 967; Sulu Archipelago, &c., No. 2576; Gaya Bay to Sandakan Harbour, &c., No. 267.

#### No. 520.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND ALL FOREIGN STATIONS.

NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN.—CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

*Automatic Signal Buoy South-west of Leton Rock.*

INFORMATION has been received from Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at St. Vincent, dated 29th August, 1890, that a buoy, fitted with an automatic whistle, has been placed one-third of a mile W.S.W. from Leton Rock:—

Leton Rock Buoy, conical in shape, and painted red and white in vertical stripes, with the letters C.V. in black on the white stripes, is moored in  $6\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms water, coarse sandy bottom.

Approximate position on Admiralty Chart, No. 366, lat.  $15^{\circ} 47\frac{1}{2}' N.$ , long.  $23^{\circ} 9\frac{1}{2}' W.$  But the exact position of the rock has been questioned.

NOTE.—It is stated that, with an ordinary sea, the whistle of this buoy may be heard from a distance of two to four miles.

[Variation  $20^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1890.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Strait of Gibraltar to River Gambia, No. 1226; Cape Verde Islands, No. 366. Also, Africa Pilot, Part I, 1885, page 148.

#### No. 521.—AUSTRALIA STATION.

NEW ZEALAND.—MIDDLE ISLAND.—SOUTH COAST.

*Bluff or Awarua Harbour—Rocky Patch near Fairway of Entrance.*

THE Government of New Zealand has given notice, dated 7th August, 1890, of the existence of a rocky patch, about ten yards long in a north-west and south-east direction, with a depth of  $19\frac{1}{2}$  feet on it at low water spring tides, lying near the fairway of Bluff or Awarua Harbour Entrance. From it the south extreme of Tewaewae Rock bears E. by N.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N., and the eastern extreme of Starling Point S. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E., distant  $5\frac{1}{2}$  cables.

NOTE.—The above position places the danger only 40 yards south-westward of the line of the leading mark into the harbour:—Middle Bank Beacons in line.

[Variation  $16^{\circ}$  Easterly in 1890.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Plan:—Bluff or Awarua Harbour, with plan of entrance, No. 2540. Also, New Zealand Pilot, 1883, pages 280–283; and Revised Supplement, 1887, relating to New Zealand Pilot, page 14.

#### No. 522.—EAST INDIES, AUSTRALIA, AND PACIFIC STATIONS.

AUSTRALIA.—SOUTH COAST.—BASS STRAIT.

(1.) *Cape Otway Light—Intended Alteration in Character.*

THE Government of Victoria has given notice, that about the month of August, 1891, it is intended to make the following alteration in the character of Cape Otway Light:—

Cape Otway Light will be a group flashing white light, showing three flashes every minute. The illuminating apparatus will be dioptric, or by lenses, of the first order.