

iron-hooped barrels, thickly covered with coal tar. The clothes are in 2 similar barrels. The matches are in a box, similar to the beef boxes, painted with minium (red lead) and with a label of the contents on it.

In the event of the cairn being destroyed, the following directions should be followed to find the depôt. Land on the north side of the inlet opposite Gazelle Basin, in a small creek, sheltered by a rocky point, where boats may go alongside under any circumstances of wind or tide. Proceed directly inland about half a mile as far as the shore of the lake, then turn to the westward and follow the lake to its western end, where the chasm in which the depôt is situated will be seen on the left hand.

2. St. Paul Island.—The depôt is in a hut of rough stones with a thatched roof, situated on the northern side of the crater, near the jetty and about 50 yards from the flagstaff:—

Approximate position, lat. $38^{\circ} 42' 45''$ S., long. $77^{\circ} 34' 40''$ E.

This depôt contains:—

- 1,350 lbs. of preserved beef in boxes of 9 lbs.
- 1,125 lbs. of biscuits.
- 10 woollen shirts.
- 10 blankets.

One soldered metal box containing 4 packets of matches.

The provisions and clothes are in 13 iron-hooped barrels, coated with tar and sand, and placed under a tarpaulin. On the door of the hut is the inscription, "France, Vivres et Vêtements pour naufragés, Eure, Janvier 1893"; and a similar inscription is on a board within the hut.

3. Amsterdam Island.—The depôt is in a large cavern, in the side of a hill, about W. by S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. (S. 73° W.) 800 yards from Hosken Point, the north-east extreme of the island; and bears W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. (N. 85° W.), distant about 600 yards, from the first flagstaff southward of that point.

At the entrance to the cavern is a board, fixed to two upright tarred posts, with the inscription, "France, Vivres, Vêtements pour naufragés, Eure, Janvier 1893," on it.

This depôt contains:—

- 1,350 lbs. of preserved beef.
- 1,125 lbs. of biscuit.
- 10 woollen shirts.
- 10 pairs cotton drawers.
- 10 blankets.

One soldered metal red box containing 4 packets of matches.

Approximate position, lat. $37^{\circ} 48' 50''$ S., long. $77^{\circ} 32' 30''$ E.

The landing place used by the "Euré" is about 400 yards southward of Hosken Point, and under the flagstaff mentioned above.

Directions for finding the depôt on Amsterdam:—Having landed, go to either of the flagstaffs, from whence a cross will be seen; from the cross follow the direction of its arms, leading past two ruins of rough stones, and then directly to the cavern, the entrance to which faces seaward. In the cavern, besides the provisions and clothing, there are cots, a cooking pot, and dry wood, left by the fishermen who sometimes live there. Cabbage and celery will be found near, and fish and lobsters (crawfish) abound near the landing place.

[Variation $(3)^{\circ} 21'$ Westerly in 1894.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Kerguelen Island, No. 2398 (1); St. Paul Island, No. 1921 (2); Amsterdam Island, &c., No. 1945 (2, 3). Also, Sailing Directions for Islands in the Southern Indian Ocean, 1891, pages 406, 416, 426-430.

No. 80.—EAST INDIES STATION.

BAY OF BENGAL.—ORISSA COAST.

Kalingapatam—Indefinite Postponement of Intended Alteration in Light.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 637 of 1893:—

The Government of India has given further notice, dated 18th January, 1894, that the intended alteration in the light shown from Sandy Point, Kalingapatam, has been indefinitely postponed.

Approximate position, lat. $18^{\circ} 19'$ N., long. $84^{\circ} 7' 30''$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bimlipatam to Gopalpur, No. 1424; Kalingapatam, on sheet No. 239. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1893, No. 191; and Bay of Bengal Pilot, 1892, page 155.

No. 81 — CHINA STATION.

SEA OF OKHOTSK.—SAGHALIN ISLAND—EAST COAST.

Sunken Rocks westward of Cape Patience.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 19 of 1894:—

Additional information has been received from the Commander-in-Chief, China Station, that there are other rocks to westward of Cape Patience, the exact positions of which have not yet been ascertained.

Mariners are therefore cautioned not to approach the land in the vicinity without due care.

Approximate position, Cape Patience, on Chart 2405, lat. $48^{\circ} 51'$ N., long. $144^{\circ} 47'$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Kuril Islands, No. 2405. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. IV, 1884, page 614.

No. 82.—NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION.

WEST INDIES.—ST. LUCIA.

Port Castries—Sunken Wreck North-westward of Point Vigie.

INFORMATION has been received from Her Majesty's ship "Mohawk," dated 25th January, 1894, that the wreck of the iron ship "Volga," 300 feet in length, lies sunk in a north-east and south-west direction, with the centre of the hull bearing N.W. (N. 45° W.), distant 300 feet from Point Vigie, northern side of entrance to Port Castries:—

The vessel is lying over on her port side, with the iron masts to seaward, thus causing an obstruction to navigation for a distance of nearly a cable from Point Vigie. The fore-topsail yard-arm was the only part of the wreck showing above water on the date given.

Approximate position, lat. $14^{\circ} 1' 40''$ N., long. $61^{\circ} 0' 55''$ W.

[Variation 1° Westerly in 1894.]

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—St. Lucia, No. 1273; Mari-got Harbour to Pointe du Cap, No. 197; Port Castries, No. 499. Also, West India Pilot, Vol. II, 1887, page 44; and Supplement, 1891, relating to West India Pilot, Vol. II, pages 16, 17.

No. 83.—WEST AFRICA AND CAPE STATIONS.

AFRICA.—WEST COAST.—TABLE BAY APPROACH.

Dassen Island—Colour of Lighthouse.

INFORMATION has been received from the Agent-General of Cape Colony that the lighthouse on Dassen Island is coloured red and white in eight horizontal bands.--