

or end of October two vessels will be moored head and stern, on the south side of Saltpanreach in the River Medway, between Stangate Spit and Sharpness Shelf in the undermentioned positions:—

No. 1.—Outer or northern vessel with Salt Fleet Outer Beacon bearing N. $32\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E., distant $4\frac{1}{10}$ cables, and Deadman Island Beacon S. $53\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E.

No. 2.—Inner or southern vessel with Salt Fleet Outer Beacon bearing N. $30\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E., distant $5\frac{1}{10}$ cables, and Deadman Island Beacon S. 58° E.

Between these two vessels, obstructions will be occasionally placed for the purpose of experiment, and Mariners are warned not to pass between these vessels, or between the inner vessel and the shore when the obstruction is in position.

The following day and night signals will be exhibited.

When the passage is obstructed, the northern of the two vessels will show the distinguishing marks exhibited by wreck-marking vessels, both by day and night, and Mariners are warned to pass on the north side where two vertical lights or two vertical globes are shown.

When the passage between the southern vessel and the shore is obstructed, but the passage between the two vessels clear, the southern vessel will exhibit the distinguishing marks exhibited by wreck-marking vessels, whilst the northern vessel will show an ordinary white light at the bow and at the stern.

When there is no obstruction the vessels will exhibit an ordinary white light at the bow and at the stern.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—River Medway, Sheet I, No. 1833.

No. 527.—CHINA STATION.
CHINA—KOREA.

PRINCE IMPERIAL ARCHIPELAGO.

Nine-Foot Patch Southward of Munkap Tau.

INFORMATION has been received from Commander J. E. Bearcott, Her Majesty's ship "Linnet," that the 3-fathom patch situated southward of Munkap Tau, has now only 9 feet over it.

Approximate position, lat. $37^{\circ} 9' 40''$ N., long. $126^{\circ} 5' 40''$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Approach to Seoul, No. 1258. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. IV, 1894, page 56.

No. 528.—EAST INDIES STATION.
INDIA—BAY OF BENGAL.—GULF OF MARTABAN.
Krishna Light-vessel to be withdrawn for Repairs, and temporarily replaced by another Light-vessel.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 265 of 1894:—

The Government of India has given notice, that about the first week in November, 1894, Krishna Shoal Light-vessel will be withdrawn for repairs, and temporarily replaced by another light-vessel (showing a light of different character) until about the first week in December, 1894:—

Krishna Shoal Temporary Light will be a flashing light, showing a red and white flash of five seconds duration alternately, every forty-five seconds, and visible in clear weather from a distance of about ten miles.

The light-vessel will be painted red, with the name Krishna on the sides.

Approximate position, lat. $15^{\circ} 36' N.$, long. $95^{\circ} 34' 30'' E.$

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bassein River to Pulo Penang, No. 830; Koronge Island to White Point, No. 823. Also, List of Lights, 1894, Part V, page 48, No. 211; and Bay of Bengal Pilot, 1892, page 321.

No. 529.—CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AUSTRALIA, AND PACIFIC STATIONS.

CHINA SEA—SINGAPORE STRAIT.

SALAT SINKI.

Intended Light on Sultan Shoal.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 481 of 1893, the Government of the Straits Settlements has given notice that:—

The construction of a lighthouse on Sultan Shoal, in Salat Sinki, or western approach to new harbour, Singapore Strait, is about to commence.

The beacon now on the shoal will be removed as the work progresses.

A hulk painted yellow, having one mast, will be moored alongside the shoal during the construction.

Further notice will be given as may be necessary

Approximate position, lat. $1^{\circ} 14' 30'' N.$, long. $103^{\circ} 59' 25'' E.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Malacca Strait, No. 1355; Singapore Strait, No. 2403; Singapore Main Strait, No. 2404. Also, List of Lights, 1894, Part V, page 58, and China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1886, page 101; Supplement to China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1890, page 137.

No. 530.—CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AUSTRALIA, AND PACIFIC STATIONS.
CHINA.

(1.) *Hongkong—Shoal in Stonecutter's Anchorage.*

THE undermentioned information has been published in the Hongkong Government Gazette, dated 18th August, 1894:—

The British steamship "Trocas" grounded on a patch of rock having 3 fathoms over it, situated 3 cables N. by E. (N. 11° E.) from the eastern extreme of Stonecutter's Island, Hongkong harbour.

A conical white buoy has been temporarily moored in $4\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms close southward of the patch.

Approximate position, lat. $22^{\circ} 19' 40'' N.$, long. $114^{\circ} 8' 55'' E.$

(2.) *Pescadores Islands—Caution when Approaching.*

Also, that all vessels, whether ships of war or otherwise, approaching the Pescadores Islands, should fly their national flags during the day, or sound the whistle and exhibit lights at night. Signals made from the shore must be answered in order to prevent errors.

(3.) *Yung River Approaches—Temporary Discontinuance of Lights, Beacons, and Buoys.*

Also, that the lights respectively on Tse Ie (Square Island) and Tiger Island have been temporarily discontinued.

The beacons on Blonde Rock, and Tiger's Tail, also the buoys on Nemesis Rock, Siau yu Spit, and Sesostris Rock have been temporarily removed.

Torpedoes have been laid down at the entrance to Yung River, and vessels should not enter without a torpedo pilot, nor anchor inside Tiger Island. It is dangerous to approach Chinkai Forts at night.

(4.) *Approaches to Liaw Ho and Newchwang.*

Also, that vessels should not enter Newchwang