

No. 177 (1); Sardinia Island, No. 161a (2); Cagliari Bay, with Plan of Cagliari Harbour, No. 1130 (2). Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1894, Nos. 390, 245*; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1894, pages 426, 480.

No. 73.—CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AUSTRALIA, PACIFIC, AND SOUTH-EAST AMERICA STATIONS.

SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN.

Iceberg Eastward of Cape Horn.

THE Master of the Shaw, Savill, and Albion Company's steamship "Gothic" report shaving passed at 10.30 A.M., 27th December, 1894, in lat. 55° 48' S., long. 60° 22' W., an iceberg.

A berg in this position is uncommon, and indicates a continuance of the unusual amount of floating ice in the Southern Seas, reported during the last two years.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Ice Chart of the Southern Hemisphere, No. 1241.

No. 74.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATIONS.

UNITED STATES—FLORIDA.

Intended Alteration in Position of Buoy Marking Ohio Shoal.

THE United States Government has given notice, that on or about 31st January, 1895, the Red Whistle Buoy, with its red, third class, Nun Watch Buoy, will be moved about 2½ miles north-westward, and will then be known as Hetzel Shoal Whistle Buoy; which will be moored in a depth of ten fathoms, north-eastward of the north end of Hetzel Shoal, in a position with Cape Canaveral Lighthouse, bearing S.S.W. 7/8 W., distant about 13½ miles; or approximately in lat. 28° 38' 50" N., long. 80° 23' 45" W.

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1895.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Gulf of Mexico, No. 392; Sapelo Sound to Little Bahama Bank, No. 269. Also, Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 202.

No. 75.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

NORTH SEA.

West Schelde—Light on Extremity of Blankenberghe Pier.

THE Belgian Government has given notice, that a light is exhibited from the extremity of the pier recently constructed at Blankenberghe.

Blankenberghe Pier light is a fixed red light, elevated 26 feet above high water, and visible from E.N.E. (N. 67° E.), through east, south and west, to W.N.W. (N. 67° W.), a distance of three miles in clear weather.

The pier is constructed from the eastern end of the sea wall, at about 10½ cables eastward of the principal lighthouse, and extends seaward in the direction N. 9° E., for a distance of a quarter of a mile.

Approximate position, light, lat. 51° 19' 35" N., long. 3° 8' 15" E.

[Variation 15° Westerly in 1895.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Calais to the River Schelde, No. 1872; River Schelde, No. 120. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1894, page 12; and North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, page 88.

No. 76.—NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION.

UNITED STATES—DELAWARE.

Delaware River—Intended Alteration in Port Penn Front Leading Light.

THE United States Government has given notice that, on 5th February, 1895, Port Penn front leading light will be altered from a fixed light to a white occulting light with a period of three seconds thus:—light, two seconds; eclipse, one second. In other respects this light will be unchanged.

Approximate position, lat. 39° 29' 30" N., long. 75° 35' 45" W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Delaware River, No. 2564. Also, List of Lights, Part VII, 1894, No. 740; and Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 146.

No. 77.—CHINA STATION.

SUMATRA—WEST COAST.

Shoals northward of Banjak Islands and near Pulo Simalu (Babi).

THE Government of Batavia has given notice, dated 22nd November, 1894, of the existence of the undermentioned shoals:—

1. A breaker was seen from H.N.M.S. "Benkoelen" in about lat. 2° 36' N., long. 97° 17' E., northward of Banjak Islands.

2. A bank, with a depth of 10 fathoms on it, hard bottom, lies in approximately lat. 2° 34' N., long. 96° 45' E.; depths of 17 to 20 fathoms were obtained about half a mile westward of this bank.

3. Vessels should not approach the south-east coast of Pulo Simalu within four miles, as foul ground and discoloured water extend nearly that distance offshore between Tanjong Lentang and Tanjong Kakat.

4. A shoal, with a depth of 5 fathoms on it, though there may possibly be less water, lies on the west side of Pulo Simalu, in a position with Tanjong Lambaja bearing N. by W. ½ W. (N. 17° W.), distant four miles, or approximately in lat. 2° 29½' N., long. 96° 3' E.

5. A shoal, on which the sea breaks, lies about four miles S.W. ¼ S. (S. 42° W.) from the west extreme of Little Simalu, or approximately in lat. 2° 29' N., long. 95° 54' E.

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1895.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Acheh Head to Tyingkok Bay, No. 2760. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1886, page 173, 207.

No. 78.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

ENGLAND—EAST COAST.

Yarmouth Northern Approach—Destruction of Eccles Church Tower.

INFORMATION has been received that, on 23rd January, 1895, the ruined octagonal tower of Eccles church, previously a conspicuous landmark on the coast south-eastward of Haisborough, was undermined by the sea and fell down, the remains now standing about 9 feet only above the beach.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 48' 10" N., long. 1° 34' 50" E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Orford ness to Blakeney, No. 1680. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1889, page 205.