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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 245 to 261 of the year 1895.)

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

No. 246.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND ALL FOREIGN STATIONS.

IRELAND—WEST COAST.

Shannon River—Alteration in Sod Island Light.

THE Limerick Harbour Board has given notice that, on 22nd April, 1895, the light with red and white sectors, shown from Sod Island, was altered to a fixed white light, visible from W. by N. $\frac{1}{4}$ N. (N. 76° W.), through north and east, to E. by S. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. (S. 76° E.).

Approximate position, lat. $52^{\circ} 40' 45''$ N., long. $8^{\circ} 50' 45''$ W.

[Variation 23° Westerly in 1895.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—The Shannon, Sheet VI, No. 1539. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1895, No. 851; and Coast of Ireland Pilot, 1893, page 326.

No. 247.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

SHETLAND ISLES.

Fair Isle—Temporary Signal Station at Scaddon Lighthouse.

INFORMATION has been received from Lloyd's that early in May, 1895, a temporary signal station will be established at Scaddon Lighthouse, south-west point of Fair Isle:—

The signals to passing vessels will be made and acknowledged from the flagstaff of the lighthouse.

Further notice will be given if the station is to be permanently established.

Approximate position, lat. $59^{\circ} 30' 45''$ N., long. $1^{\circ} 39' 0''$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Scotland, North and East Coasts, &c., No. 2397b; Fair Isle, No. 2622. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1895, No. 403a; and North Sea Pilot, Part I, 1894, page 15.

No. 248.—NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION.

BAY OF FUNDY—EAST SHORE.

Bury Placed Southward of Old Woman Rock.

THE Government of the Dominion of Canada has given notice that, in May, 1895, a red can buoy would be moored in a depth of $3\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, about 2 cables southward of Old Woman Rock.

Approximate position, lat. $43^{\circ} 37' 50''$ N., long. $65^{\circ} 58' 50''$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bay of Fundy, Sheet I, No. 352; Pubnico to Yarmouth, No. 2537. Also Sailing Directions for S.E. Coast of Nova Scotia, &c., 1894, page 228.

No. 249.—CHINA, AUSTRALIA, AND PACIFIC STATIONS.

SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.—TONGA OR FRIENDLY ISLANDS.

Falcon Island Increased in Height and Area.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 418 of 1894 and previous Notice:—

Information has been received from Her

Britannic Majesty's Vice-Consuls at Tonga that, on 21st December, 1894, volcanic action was found to have quite recently taken place at Falcon Island, by which a new crater had been formed, with the result that the island was then 50 feet high, three miles long, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles broad, the surface being still quite hot.

Approximate position, lat. $20^{\circ} 19' S.$, long. $175^{\circ} 25' W.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Pacific, south-west Sheet, No. 780; Tonga or Friendly Islands, No. 2421; Plan of Falcon Island on No. 1385. Also, Sailing Directions for the Pacific Islands, Vol. II, 1891, page 41.

No. 250.—MEDITERRANEAN, CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AND AUSTRALIA STATIONS.

FRANCE—SOUTH COAST.

Alteration in Cape Bénat (Blanche Point) Light.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 399 of 1894:—

The French Government has given further notice that, on 5th May, 1895, Cape Bénat (Blanche Point) Light would be altered from a fixed to a flashing light:—

Blanche Point Light is a flashing red light every five seconds (illuminating power 1,370 candles or 140 bees Carcel), elevated 198 feet above the sea, and visible from S. 72° E., through east and north, to S. 52° W., a distance of 20 miles in clear weather.

The lighthouse, 41 feet high, is a tower, constructed of masonry, and situated near the old lighthouse.

Approximate position, lat. $43^{\circ} 5' 15'' N.$, long. $6^{\circ} 21' 45'' E.$

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1895.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Mediterranean Sea, No. 449; western part, No. 2158a; Gulfs of Lyons and Genoa, No. 1780; Marseille to Agay Road, No. 2607; Approaches to Toulon, No. 2608. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1895, No. 182; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1885, page 61.

No. 251.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND ALL FOREIGN STATIONS.

AFRICA—WEST COAST.

Cape Verde—Intended Alteration in Almadi Point Light.

THE French Government has given notice that, on 1st June, 1895, the light shown from Almadi Point will be altered from a fixed red light to a flashing light with a period of system of one minute; showing alternately a red and a white flash every thirty seconds.

Further notice will be given of other particulars of this light, of which the height will be unchanged.

Approximate position, lat. $14^{\circ} 44\frac{1}{4}' N.$, long. $17^{\circ} 33' W.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Atlantic Ocean, Eastern Portion, No. 2060a; Strait of Gibraltar to River Gambia, No. 1226; Cape Blanco to Cape Verde, No. 1231; River Gambia to Cape Lopez, No. 594; Cape Verde to Cape Roxo, No. 599. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1895, No. 559; and Africa Pilot, Part I, 1890, page 159.

No. 252.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

NORTH SEA.

Jade River—Light Buoy Placed at Entrance.

THE German Government has given notice,