This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts :- Gulf of Kutch to Viziadrug, No. 2736; Dwarka Point to Diu Head, No. 1420. Also, West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 1891, page 282.

No. 224.-MEDITERRANEAN-CORSICA. Sunken Rocks in Gulf of Ajaccio.

THE French Government has given notice, dated 18th April, 1896, of the existence of the undermentioned rocks in the Gulf of Ajaccio, west coast of Corsica :

1. A rock, with a depth of about 5 feet on it, is situated south-eastward of Tabernacle Rock, in a reported position with Parata Point Tower bearing N. $\frac{3}{8}$ W. (N. 4° W.), distant $2\frac{1}{10}$ miles; and Guardiola Tower E. by N. $\frac{4}{8}$ N. (N. 72° E.). Approximate position, lat. 41° 51' 35" N., long. 8° 37' 20" E.

2. Two rocks, each with a depth of $4\frac{1}{4}$ fathoms on it, are situated with Guardiola Tower bearing N. 32° E., distant $1\frac{9}{10}$ cables, and N. 41° E., distant 3 cables respectively.

A third rock lies midway between these two last rocks.

Further notice concerning these rocks will be given if necessary. [Variation 12° Westerly in 1876.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :- Island of Corsica, No. 1131; Cape Feno to Lava Bay, No. 429; Lava Bay to Cape Morsetta, No. 430; Plan of Bay and Port of Ajaccio, on Sheet No. 1126 (2). Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, pages 199, 197.

No. 225.—IRELAND—NORTH COAST. Lough and River Foyle—Alterations in Colours

of Buoys and Beacons.

THE Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners have given notice, dated 22nd April, 1896, that the undermentioned alteration is being carried out in the colours of the buoys and beacons, marking the navigable channel in Lough and River Foyle, from the sea to Londonderry :-

All buoys, beacons, and perches, on the starboard hand, entering from seaward, are being painted red.

All buoys, beacons, and perches, on the port hand, entering from seaward, are being painted black.

Approximate position, outer buoy, lat. 55° 131 N., long. 6° 53³/₄ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :- Larne to Bloody Foreland, No. 46; Lough Foyle, with River Foyle, No. 2499. Also, Coast of Ireland Pilot, 1893, pages 238-246.

No. 226.-STRAIT OF MAKASSAR. Coral Reef South-Westward of Balabalagan or Little Paternoster Islands.

Netherlands Government has given THE notice, dated 23rd April, 1896, of the existence of a coral reef, about $5\frac{1}{2}$ cables in length northnorth-west and south-south-east, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ cables broad, with a least depth of 4 feet on it, and 17 to 26 fathoms around, situated south-westward of the Balabalagan or Little Paternoster Islands in approximately, on Chart No. 2637, lat. 2° 494' S., long. 117° 43' E.

There were no breakers on this reef with strong and continuous northerly winds; with a favourable light its position is marked by discoloured water; and in clear weather the highest peak of the Sebatung Mountains northern end of Pulo Laut, is just visible from the reef, bearing about S. 60° W.

No. 26737.

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1896.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:-Eastern Archipelago, western portion, No. 941; South part of Strait of Makassar, No. 2637. Also, Sailing Directions for the Eastern Archipelago, Part II, 1893, page 323.

No. 227.-UNITED STATES-MAINE. Cape Elizabeth — Alteration in Time Details of Fog Signal.

THE United States Government has given notice that, on or about 30th April, 1896, the fog signal (siren) at Cape Elizabeth, south-west shore of Casco Bay, would be altered in time details so as to give two blasts every minute, thus :---Blast, three seconds; silence, nine seconds; blast, three seconds ; silence, forty-five seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 43° 33' 55" N., long. 70° 11′ 55″ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :- Pemaquid Point to Fletcher's Neck, No. 2490. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1896, No. 548; and Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 27.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer. Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 4th to 7th May, 1896.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction of four hundred pounds sterling, which has been paid to us in favour of the vicarage of Saint Peter, Accrington, in the county of Lancaster, and in the diocese of Manchester, and in respect of which we have agreed to pay to the Incumbent of the same vicarage, and to his successors, a yearly sum of twelve pounds, do hereby, in pursuance of the Act of the twenty ninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and eleven, section five, grant out of our common fund to the said vicarage of Saint Peter, Accrington, to meet such benefaction, one other capital sum of four hundred pounds, in respect of which, so long as the same capital sum, or any part thereof, shall remain in our hands, there shall be paid by us to the Incumbent for the time being of the said vicarage one other yearly sum of twelve pounds, or such part thereof as shall be proportionate to any balance of the same capital sum which shall so remain in our hands, such lastly-mentioned yearly payment to commence as from the date of the publication of these presents in the London Gazette, and to be receivable in equal half-yearly portions, on the first day of May and the first day of November in each and every year.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our common seal, this thirtieth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

(L.S.)

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction of seven hundred pounds sterling which has been paid to us in favour of the district and benefice (hereinafter called the benefice) of Saint Alban the Martyr, Bordesley, in the county of Warwick, and in the diocese of Worcester, and in respect of which we have agreed to pay to the minister or incumbent of the same benefice, and to his successors, a yearly sum of twenty-one pounds, do hereby, in pursuance of the Act of the twentyninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter