

The leading mark into Syracuse Harbour namely St. Joseph's Bridge in line with Mount Grosso, bearing W. by N.  $\frac{3}{4}$  N., is no longer available.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Syracuse Harbour, No. 182. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1894, page 387.

#### No. 353.—SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

*Reported Reef Southward of the Tonga Islands.*

THE United States Government has given notice, that Mr. J. Taylor, commanding the British ship "Cardiganshire," reports have passed on 20th June, 1896, a sunken reef, which appeared to be about 200 yards in length.

Approximate position, lat.  $23^{\circ} 42'$  S., long.  $175^{\circ} 35'$  W.

NOTE.—No soundings were taken, and the existence of a reef in the above-mentioned position requires confirmation.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Atlantic and Indian Oceans, No. 2483; Pacific Ocean, No. 2683 and 780. Also, Pacific Islands, Vol. II, 1891, page 28.

#### No. 354.—CHINA SEA—BORNEO, NORTH-WEST COAST.

LABUAN.

*Sunken Rock in Channel between Kiamson Point and Ktiraman Island.*

INFORMATION has been received from the Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's ships in China, dated 27th May, 1896, of the existence of a sunken rock in the channel between Kiamson Point and Kuraman Island, Labuan:—

This rock is reported to be a very small pinnacle, lying nearly in mid-channel where 7 fathoms are charted, with Kiamson Point bearing N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E., and the south-east extreme of Kuraman Island, S.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E.

The estimated depth on the rock is about 16 feet at low water.

NOTE.—Attention is especially drawn to the notification in Supplement, 1893, page 22, to China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1889:—"Mariners are, however, warned that the channel between these islands should not be used, pending a thorough survey of the locality."

Approximate position, lat.  $5^{\circ} 14' 25''$  N., long.  $115^{\circ} 8' 35''$  E.

[Variation  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  Easterly in 1896.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Barram Point to Nosong Point, No. 2109; Labuan Island, No. 1844. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol II, 1889, page 161, and Supplement to that work, 1893, page 22.

#### No. 355.—NORTH SEA.

ENGLAND—EAST COAST.

*Intended Alteration in Fog Signal at Flamborough Head.*

THE Trinity House, London, has given notice that on and after the 1st October, 1896:—

The fog signal rocket now fired once every ten minutes in thick and foggy weather, will, on and after the above given date, be fired once every five minutes.

Approximate position, lat.  $54^{\circ} 7' 0''$  N., long.  $0^{\circ} 4' 50''$  W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Sea, No. 2182a; Blakeney to Flamborough Head, No. 1190; Flamborough Head to Hartlepool, No. 1191; Bridlington Bay, No. 1882. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1896, No. 217, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1889, page 122.

#### No. 356.—SOUTH AMERICA—MAGELLAN STRAIT.

ENGLISH REACH.

*Rock South-Eastward of Passage Point.*

THE Austrian Government has given notice, dated 13th June, 1896, of the existence of a rock south-eastward of Passage Point, English Reach.

This rock, with a depth of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms over it, lies with Passage Point bearing N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W., distant about 4 cables, at the tail of the kelp as charted.

At slack water the kelp attached to this rock is visible.

Approximate position, lat.  $53^{\circ} 38' 20''$  S., long.  $72^{\circ} 11' 35''$  W.

[Variation  $22^{\circ}$  Easterly in 1896.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Magellan Strait, No. 554; Second Narrows to Cape Pillar, No. 21; English Reach, &c., No. 887. Also, South America Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 128.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,  
6th to 8th July, 1896.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Act of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and eleven, sections five and eleven, do hereby grant and appropriate out of our common fund to the vicarage of Saint Peter with Saint Mary, Ampney, in the county of Gloucester, and in the diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, one capital sum of one hundred pounds sterling, to be applicable towards defraying the cost of providing a parsonage or house of residence for the said vicarage, according to plans and a specification approved or to be approved by us, such capital sum, or the balance thereof unapplied to such purpose, to remain in the meantime in our hands at interest after the rate of two pounds and ten shillings per centum per annum.

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

(L.S.)

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction, consisting of a piece or parcel of land, comprising one rood and thirty-four perches, or thereabouts, which has been permanently secured as a site for a parsonage or house of residence for the vicarage of Saint Laurence, Catford, in the county of Kent, and in the diocese of Rochester, and in consideration also of a further benefaction of two hundred and forty pounds sterling, which has been paid to us in favour of the same vicarage, do hereby, in pursuance of the Act of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and eleven, sections five and eleven, grant and appropriate out of our common fund to the said vicarage of Saint Laurence, Catford, to meet the aforesaid benefactions, one capital sum of seven hundred pounds sterling, to be applicable towards defraying the cost of providing a parsonage or house of residence for the said vicarage, according to plans and a specification approved or to be approved by us, such capital sum, or the balance thereof unapplied to such purpose, to remain in the meantime in our hands at interest after the rate of two pounds and ten shillings per centum per annum, and such interest to be paid to the Incumbent for the time being of the said vicarage of Saint Laurence, Catford.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set