By day, three red flags in the same positions as the lights.

The Northern Wharf :-

At night, two red lights, at the extremity of the scaffolding forming the front of the wharf.

By day, two red flags in the same positions as the lights.

Approximate position, Boulevard Charner, on Chart No. 1269, lat. 10° 46′ 20″ N., long. 106° 42′ 5″ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart: - Saigon or Don Nai River, with Plan of Saigon Road, No. 1269. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1897, page 96; and China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1889, page 426.

No. 165.-WEST INDIES. St. Thomas Island-Sunken Rock South-

Westward of Red Point.
INFORMATION has been received that the Captain of Fort St. Thomas reports the existence of a rock, with a depth of 24 feet on it, situated in a position with Red Point, South-West Road, bearing N. 69° E., distant  $4\frac{7}{10}$  cables; or approximately in lat. 18° 19' 45" N., long. 64° 59' 5" W.

Variation 1° Westerly in 1897.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Anguilla to Puerto Rico, No. 130; Tortola Island to Culebra. No. 2452. Also, West India Pilot, Vol. II, 1887, page 170.

No. 166.—AUSTRALIA—EAST COAST. Port Curtis Entrance—Decreased Depth in North Channel.

THE Government of Queensland has given notice, dated 20th January, 1897, that the depth in North Channel, entrance to Port Curtis, between Gatcombe Head and Junction Buoy, has decreased to about 8 feet at low water springs.

Approximate position, Gatcombe Head, lat.

28° 53' S., long. 151° 23\frac{3}{4}' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Plan :- Port Curtis, No. 1900. Also, Australia Directory, Vol. II, 1889, page 170.

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer. Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 23rd to 24th March, 1897.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction consisting of one hundred pounds sterling which has been paid to us in favour of the vicarage of Saint Simon, Bristol, in the diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, 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 Simon, Bristol, to meet such benefaction 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, and such interest to be paid to the Incumbent for the time being of the said vicarage.

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

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction of two hundred pounds sterling, which has been paid to us in favour of the vicarage of Saint Peter, Everton, in the county of Lancaster, and in the diocese of Liverpool, 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 six 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, Everton, to meet such benefaction, one other capital sum of two 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 six 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 eighteenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in consideration of a benefaction of one thousand pounds sterling which has been paid to us in favour of the district chapelry and benefice (hereinafter called the said benefice) of Christ Church High Wycombe in the county of Buckingham and in the diocese of Oxford and in respect of which we have agreed to pay to the Incumbent of the same benefice and to his successors, a yearly sum of thirty 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 to the Incumbent of the said benefice of Christ Church High Wycombe and to his successors, to meet such benefaction, one other yearly sum or stipend of thirty pounds. such yearly sum or stipend to be payable out of the common fund under our control, and to be calculated as from the fifth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninetyseven, and to be receivable in equal half-yearly portions, on the first day of May and on the first day of November in each and every year: Provided always, that if at any time lands, tithes, or other hereditaments sufficient, in our opinion, to produce the yearly sum or stipend so payable out of our common fund, as lastly herein-mentioned. or any part thereof, shall be annexed by us to the said benefice, in substitution for such yearly sum or stipend, or for such part thereof, our liability for the payment of such yearly sum or stipend, or of such part thereof, as the case may be, shall thereupon and thereafter cease and determine.

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

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 Holy Trinity, Waltham Cross, in the county of Hertford, and in the diocese of Saint Albans, and