Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this thirteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.



Henry Chaplin,

President.

Hugh Owen, Secretary.

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 15TH APRIL 1897.)

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 and 1896, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

The Order of the Board dated the eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninetyseven prohibiting the holding of markets and fairs and of public and other sales or exhibitions of swine, fat or store, within the parishes of St. Clears and Llanfihangel-Aber-Cowin in the county of Carmarthen, shall be read and have effect as if the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven were substituted for the tenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven in Article 3 of that Order, as the date upon which that Order shall come into operation.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their Official Seal this fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

L. S.

J. T. Tennant, Authorized by the President.

Copies of the above Order can be obtained on application to the Secretary, Board of Agriculture, 4, Whitehall Place, London, S.W.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 201 to 213 of the year 1897.) [The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward. No. 201.—ICE IN SOUTHERN INDIAN OCEAN.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 722 of 1896:

Mariners are again warned that icebergs are still being reported in unusual numbers in comparatively low latitudes in the Southern Indian Ocean between the meridians of 40° E. and 84° E., thus :-

1. On 10th January, 1897, the Dutch barque "Concordia" passed icebergs between lats. 42° S. and 43° S., and longs. 46° E. and 48° E.

2. The steam-vessel "Kaikoura," from 10th to 16th January, 1897, between lats. 45° S. to 48° S., longs. 42° E. to 80° E., passed many icebergs, especially in about lat. 48° S., longs. 59° E. to 65° E.

3. The steam-vessel "Port Chalmers," from 18th to about 18th January, 1897, between lats. 44° S. and 46° S., and longs. 45° E. and 75° E., passed many bergs, much broken up in appearance.

4. The steam-vessel "Hubbuck," from 17th to | notice that, on or about 3rd April, 1897, the

22nd January, 1897, between lats 45° S. to 47° S., longs 40° E. to 74° E., passed icebergs, one in the last-mentioned longitude about 5 miles long.

5. The steam-vessel, "Gulf of Lions," from 12th to 18th January, 1897, between lats. 44° S. to 47° S., longs. 41° E. to 80° E., passed many

icebergs, some said to be 400 feet in height.
6. The steam-vessel "Cornwall," on 28th January, 1897, passed icebergs in lat. 41° S., longs. 52° to 53° E.

7. The steam-vessel "Nairnshire," from 8th to about 18th February, 1897, between lats. 43° S. and 47° S., longs. 45° E. to 84° E., passed many icebergs; and during a fog on the 8th February was in collision with a low berg.

As: it is not likely that ice in such unusual quantities will quickly disappear, the seaman is cautioned that the route recommended in the Admiralty Book of Ocean Passages, 1896, pages 138, 139, should be followed; and particular attention is directed to the reason on page 139 for not recommending a higher parallel than 40° S.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Atlantic and Indian Oceans, No. 2483; Indian Ocean, No. 748a. Also, Ocean Passages for the World, 1896, pages 138, 139.

No. 202.—MEXICO. Vera Cruz-Santa Guilla Lighthouse not Constructing.

WITH reference to Notices to Mariners No. 526 (1) of 1896, on the exhibition of a fixed and group flashing white light on Santa Guilla Reef, approach to Vera Cruz, given on the authority of the Mexican Diario Officiale for June, 1896, and No. 674 of 1896, that the light had not been exhibited:

Information has been received from Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Vera Cruz, dated 18th March, 1897, that Santa Guilla Lighthouse is not yet in course of construction, but is only under consideration.

Approximate position on Chart No. 523, lat. 19° 8′ 10" N., long. 95° 48′ 45" W.

Further notice will be given as necessary

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:-North Atlantic, Western Portion, No. 2060b; Gulf of Mexico, No. 392; Approaches to Vera Cruz, No. 2854; Port of Vera Cruz, No. 523. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1897, No. 1002||; West India Pilot, Vol. I, 1893, page 478.

No. 203.—UNITED STATES—NEW YORK. Fishers Island-Race Rock Fog Signal when Siren is Disabled.

THE United States Government has given notice, that if the siren at Race Rock Fog Signal Station, eastern entrance to Long Island Sound, is out of order, the fog signal will consist of a bell, struck by machinery twice every twenty seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 41° 14′ 35" N., long. 72° 2' 50" W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Long Island Sound, Sheet I, No. 2754; Fishers Island, No. 468. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1897, No. 658; and Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 96.

No. 204.—UNITED STATES—MAINE. Petit Manan Island-Alteration in Fog Signal. THE United States Government has given