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### NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 535 to 545 of the year 1897.)

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

#### No. 535.—COCHIN CHINA.

*Rock in Binkang Bay.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 21st August, 1897, that:—

A vessel entering Binkang Bay touched on a rock, with a depth of 8 feet over it, between Sèche Point and Sèche Island, where the depths charted show from 7 to 9 fathoms, but the precise position of the danger was not ascertained.

Approximate position, to be considered doubtful, lat.  $12^{\circ} 20' 40''$  N., long.  $109^{\circ} 17' 30''$  E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, Nos. 2660a, 2661a; Fan-rang Bay to Tongking Gulf, No. 1342; Kamranh Bay to Vung Ro Bay, No. 1008. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1889, page 447.

#### No. 536.—SOUTH INDIAN OCEAN—MADAGASCAR.

*Makambi River—Chart Cancelled.*

MARINERS are hereby informed that the Admiralty Chart of Makambi River, No. 700, north-west coast of Madagascar, is cancelled by Chart 378, issued with large corrections in August, 1897.

Approximate position, lat.  $15^{\circ} 46' 24''$  S., long.  $46^{\circ} 1' 1''$  E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Makambi River, No. 700. Also, Sailing Directions, Islands in the South Indian Ocean, &c., 1891, pages 212, 213, 214; Hydrographic Notice, No. 9 of 1895, page 14.

#### No. 537.—BLACK SEA.

*Pyrgos (Burghaz) Bay—Buoyage.*

INFORMATION has been received through the Board of Trade, dated 23rd August, that the undermentioned buoys have been moored to mark the harbour works at Pyrgos (Burghaz):—

A conical red buoy, showing at night a red light, is moored in a position near the intended extremity of the eastern mole about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  cables from the shore, and marks the eastern limit of the port.

Two conical buoys, one black the other white, mark the entrance to the port, they lie east and west of each other, four cables off shore.

Vessels entering must pass southward of the red buoy, and steer between the black buoy

(leaving it to the westward) and the white buoy (leaving it to the eastward).

The port is impracticable at night.

Approximate position, lat.  $42^{\circ} 30'$  N., long.  $27^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{2}'$  E.

Further information will be published giving the exact positions of these buoys directly it is ascertained.

[Variation  $4^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1897.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Pyrgos or Burghaz Bay, No. 445. Also, Sailing Directions for Dardanelles, Sea of Marmara, Bosphorus, and Black Sea, 1893, page 183.

#### No. 538.—ENGLAND—EAST COAST.

APPROACHES TO YARMOUTH ROADS.

*Middle Cross Sand Shoal.*

THE Trinity House, London, has given notice dated 28th August, 1897, that:—

The eastern edge of Middle Cross Sand N.N.W. of the East Cross Sand Buoy having shoaled to 18 feet at low water springs (or perhaps less in places), mariners are cautioned against passing over the shoal, between the East and North-East Cross Sand Buoys.

Attention is called to the note under the title of Chart No. 1543, as follows:—As continued changes are in progress, this chart must be used with great caution, and no passage should be used except such as are buoyed, the system of buoyage being duly considered.

Approximate position lat.  $52^{\circ} 41' 30''$  N., long.  $1^{\circ} 52' 45''$  E.

[Variation  $15\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1897.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Orfordness to Blakeney, No. 1630; Yarmouth and Lowestoft Roads, No. 1543. Also, North Sea, Part III, 1889, page 226; and Supplement to that work, 1894, pages 19 and 20.

#### No. 539.—BLACK SEA.

*Kertch Strait—Non-Existence of Reported Shoal S. S. W. of Cape St. Paul.*

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 50 of 1897:—

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 2nd August, 1897, that search has been made for a shoal of 17 feet, reported by the steam-vessel "Heathfield," in a position with Povolovski Lighthouse bearing N.W., distant  $1\frac{3}{10}$  miles; and Kamish Lighthouse W. by S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.

No shoal could be found in or near that position, and it has now been expunged from the charts.

Approximate position, lat.  $45^{\circ} 17' 35''$  N., long.  $36^{\circ} 28' 20''$  E.

[Variation nil in 1897.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Kertch Strait, No. 2005. Also, Sailing Directions for Dardanelles, Sea of Marmara, &c., 1893, page 262.

#### No. 540.—WEST INDIES—TRINIDAD ISLANDS.

*Intended Lights on Galera Point and Chacachacare Island.*

INFORMATION has been received through the Colonial Office that, on or about the 1st November, 1897, the undermentioned lights will be exhibited on the Trinidad Islands:—

1. Galera Point Light, on the north-east extreme of Trinidad Island, will be a flashing white light of the 2nd order elevated 155 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 18 miles.

Approximate position, lat.  $10^{\circ} 50' 0''$  N., long.  $60^{\circ} 54' 10''$  W.