

Approximate position, lat.  $48^{\circ} 45' 10''$  N., long.  $64^{\circ} 9' 30''$  W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Entrance to River St. Lawrence, No. 1621; Gaspé and Mal Bays, No. 1163. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1898, No. 277; and St. Lawrence Pilot, Vol. I, 1894, page 75.

No. 302.—SCOTLAND—FIRTH OF FORTH.

*Bimar Rock—Alteration in Character of Light.*

THE Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses have given notice that, on or about 1st June, 1898, the light on Bimar Rock would be altered from a fixed light to a group flashing white light, showing two flashes in quick succession every 14 seconds.

Approximate position, lat.  $56^{\circ} 0' 20''$  N., long.  $3^{\circ} 24' 40''$  W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Firth of Forth, Nos. 114*b*, *c*; Scotland, North and East Coasts, No. 2397*a*. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1898, No. 404; and North Sea Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 271.

No. 303.—UNITED STATES—MASSACHUSETTS.

*Gloucester Harbour—Light Buoy placed off Eastern Point Breakwater.*

THE United States Government has given notice that, on or about 25th May, 1898, a gas buoy, painted red, and showing a fixed white light, would be moored in about 5 fathoms water, off the extremity of the breakwater now extending to the westward from Eastern Point, Gloucester Harbour.

This buoy has been placed on the Admiralty Charts with Tenpound Island Lighthouse bearing N.N.E., and Eastern Point Lighthouse bearing S.E. by E., distant 3 cables, or approximately in lat.  $42^{\circ} 34' 55''$  N., long.  $70^{\circ} 40' 15''$  W.

[Variation  $13^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1898.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Gloucester Harbour, No. 2882. Also, Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 40; and Hydrographic Notice No. 7 of 1888, relating to that work, page 10.

No. 304.—UNITED STATES—CONNECTICUT.

*New Haven Harbour, South-West Ledge—Temporary Discontinuance of Fog Trumpet.*

THE United States Government has given notice, dated 20th May, 1898, that the fog trumpet at the South-West Ledge Lighthouse, New Haven Harbour, has been temporarily replaced by a bell, which, during thick or foggy weather, will be struck by machinery a single blow every 15 seconds.

Further notice will be given when the trumpet is again in operation.

Approximate position, lat.  $41^{\circ} 14' 0''$  N., long.  $72^{\circ} 54' 30''$  W.

This Notice temporarily affects the Admiralty List of Lights, Part VIII, 1898, No. 825; and the Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports of the East Coast of the United States, 1882, page 106.

No. 305.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

*Cape Grisnez—Intended Alteration in Light.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 17th May, 1898, that during the present year the light on Cape Grisnez will be altered from a group flashing red and white light to a dioptric flashing electric light every five seconds with an illuminating power of 1,500,000 to

3,000,000 becs Carcel (15,000,000 to 30,000,000 candle power). The elevation of the new light will be the same as the present light.

During the alterations, which will be commenced in the summer, the new light may be exhibited experimentally.

Further notice will be given as necessary.

Approximate position, lat.  $50^{\circ} 52' N.$ , long.  $1^{\circ} 35' E.$

This Notice affects the Admiralty List of Lights, Part II, 1898, No. 1; Part IV, 1898, No. 17. Also, Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 570, and North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, page 51.

No. 306.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

*Wreck North-Westward of Dunkerque.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 18th May, 1898, that a four-masted ship lies sunk to the north-westward of Dunkerque, in approximately lat.  $51^{\circ} 8' 5'' N.$ , long.  $2^{\circ} 12' 35'' E.$

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Dover and Calais to Orfordness and Scheveningen, No. 1406; Calais to the River Schelde Entrance, No. 1872. Also, Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 608; and North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, page 66.

By command of their Lordships,

*W. J. L. Wharton*, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

4th to 7th June, 1898.

INCOME TAX.

WHEREAS it has become necessary to renew the list of persons to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners appointed to act in the division of Havering in the county of Essex as Commissioners for the general purposes of the Acts of Parliament for granting to Her Majesty duties on profits arising from property, professions, trades, and offices: Now we, two of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in pursuance of the powers vested in us in that behalf, do hereby convene a meeting of the Land Tax Commissioners for the county aforesaid being respectively qualified to act as such Commissioners, to be holden at the Court-house, Romford, on Thursday, the 16th day of June, 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of choosing fit and proper persons to be Commissioners to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners for the general purposes of the Income Tax for the division of Havering aforesaid.

*F. L. Robinson.*

*Edmond H. Wodehouse.*

Inland Revenue, Somerset House,

London, June 8, 1898.

Registration of Births and Deaths.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of the provisions of the twenty-first section of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intitled "The Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1874," I, Sir Brydges Powell Henniker, Bart., Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England, have, with the sanction of the Local Government Board, ordered and declared that on and after the 1st day of July next, in order that, for public convenience, Longtown and Twynywaun may be included within Upper Merthyr Tydfil Sub-District, all that portion of Merthyr Tydfil Civil Parish which forms part of Dowlais Ecclesiastical Parish, as constituted by an Order in Council published in the London Gazette of the 1st of March, 1887, and is now