Post Office: Postman, London, Robert William | Caton.

Learners, George Joseph Cale (Worcester), Marion Porteous Storie (Kirkcaldy).

Postmen, Vivian Berwick (Northampton), David Carr (Alnwick), Walter Cock (Lancaster), William Edmund Elderton (Northampton), George Garrod (Woodbridge), John Peoples (Belfast), Walter Wood (Manchester).

FOR REGISTRATION AS TEMPORARY BOY

COPYISTS (NEW CLASS).

Henry Charles Bonner, Michael Considine,
Donald Douglas Kennedy, Terence Joseph Patrick McDonogh, William, Henry Moors, Frederick John Phillips, John Scott, Walter Evelyn Butt Thompson, Christopher Gerard Bampton Young.

FOR REGISTRATION AS TEMPORARY BOY MESSENGER.

Alfred James Norris.

October 14, 1899.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Colonial Office: Eastern Cadets, William Thomas Chapman, Charles Walter Hamilton Cochrane, James Conroy, Richard Arthur Grindall Festing, James Lornie, Stewart Buckle Carne Ross, John Roskruge Wood.

Post Office: Female Learner, London, Edith Susannah Nicholson.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

Post Office: Male Learners, David Paterson Comrie (Aberdeen), Harry Hill Donnelly (Glasgow), James Arthur Hill (Hull), William Young McNeil (Glasgow), David Spencer (Portsmouth), Joseph James Sutton (Manchester), Reuben Walker (Manchester).

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Assistant Attendant, George Bush.

Customs: Bratman, John Murchie.

Prisons Department, England: Subordinate Officers, Division I, William Kelly, William Maw.

Post Office: Postman, London, Walter Sydney Blackman.

Forter, London, Charles Frederick Leicester. Postmen, Charles Alexander Evans (Pontypridd), Patrick Hennessy (Kingstown), Denis McCormick (Belfast), Duncan Mackintosh (Kingussie), David Grieve Morris (Arbroath), Martin O'Malley (Claremorris), Arthur Thomas Rowland (Bristol), Thomas Sarsfield (Claremorris).

FOR REGISTRATION AS TEMPORARY BOY COPYISTS (NEW CLASS).

Robert George Earl, Alfred Stanley Francis, Sydney Thomas Newman, Patrick O'Neill, Clifford Albert Edward Seddon, Richard Shorten.

## NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 637 to 644 of the year 1899.)

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

No. 637.—JAPAN.—NIPON—NORTHEAST COAST.

Rocks Found-Wreck being Removed.

THE Japanese Government has given notice, dated 29th July, 1899, that during the examination of a rock on which the steamer "Nagoyamaru" had struck, the following reefs were found :-

1. A reef, with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms over it, situated No. 27127.

with Hajikami Dake bearing S. 59° W., distan  $5\frac{s}{10}$  miles, and Same Point N. 38° W.

2. A reef, with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  fathons over it, situated with Hajikami Dake bearing S. 69° W., distant  $6\frac{1}{10}$  miles, and Same Point N. 38° W.

3. Wreck Rock, which breaks at low water when the sea is smooth, but the native fishermen state that it never uncovers, lies with Hajikami Dake bearing S. 74° W., distant 62 miles, and Same Point N. 38° W.

Depths of from 4 to 7 fathoms, rocky bottom, are found between Wreck Rock and the abovementioned 21 fathoms reef.

The steamer which lies sunk on Wreck Rock is in course of removal.

Approximate position, Hajikani Dake, latitude 40° 25′ N., longitude 141° 34′ E.

[Variation 5° Westerly in 1899.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Nipon Island, &c., No. 2347. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. IV, 1894, page 337.

No. 638.—JAPAN.—YEZO—NORTH-EAST COAST.

Sunken Rock off Yesashi (Yessasi) Anchorage. THE Japanese Government has given notice, dated 29th July, 1899, that a rock with depths of 24 to 23 fathoms on it exists north-eastward of Sangyūshi, which is a prominent point situated about 3 miles S.S.E. of Yesashi (Yessasi) Anchorage.

Approximate position on Chart No. 452, lat. 44° 55′ 35″ N., long. 142° 38′ 50″ E.

Note. - The native fishermen state the bottom is rocky and uneven in the vicinity of this rock.

[Variation 6° Westerly in 1899.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Kuril Islands, No. 2405; Yezo Island, No. 452. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. IV, 1894, page 606.

## No. 639.—ENGLAND—EAST COAST.— RIVER HUMBER.

Hull Middle Sand Extending and Shoaling.

THE Trinity House, Hull, has given notice, dated 5th October, 1839, that Hull Middle Sand has lately extended and shoaled in a north-easterly direction near the position of buoy No. 10 (black and white vertical stripes), and in that vicinity there is now only about a depth of 6 feet at low water ordinary spring tides.

The navigable channel at this part of the river is at all times narrow, and in consequence of the above extension special care is now required.

Approximate position, lat. 53° 44′ 5″ N., long. 0° 17 35" W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—River Humber, No. 109. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1897, page 157.

No. 640.—UNITED STATES—VIRGINIA.-ENTRANCE TO HAMPTON ROADS. Willoughby Bank—Bell Buoy Established.

THE United States Government has given notice, that on or about 1st October, 1899, a bell buoy, painted black and numbered 1, will be moored in 37 feet water off the north end of Willoughby Bank, about 9 cables south-westerly from Thimble Shoal Lighthouse, entrance to Hampton Roads, in place of Willoughby Bank Buoy No. 1, black can, marked "Willoughby Spit." Approximate position, lat. 37° 0′ 10″ N., long.

76° 14′ 50′′ W. This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: - Chesapeake Bay, Nos. 355a, 2843a; Hampton Roads and Elizabeth River, No. 2818. Also, Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports