

proper position; it is situated with Acheron Head bearing N. 31° E., distant 3 cables, and north extreme of Deborah Bay N. 61° W.

5. A powder magazine, which is conspicuous, stands on piles erected on "Sand, mud, and shells" bank, with Rocky Point bearing S. 87° W., distant 4½ cables, and Bowen Pier S. 32° W.

6. A black beacon marks the eastern side of the channel off Port Chalmers, situated with Bowen Pier Head bearing S. 71° W., distant 2½ cables, and Rocky Point N. 32° W.

7. The two beacons situated 11 and 12 cables respectively S. 26° E. of Rocky Point no longer exist.

[Variation 16° Easterly in 1900.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Otago Harbour, No. 2411. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1900, Nos. 1484, 1486; New Zealand Pilot, 1891, page 306; and Hydrographic Notice No. 2 of 1895 relating to that work, page 11.

No. 299.—ENGLAND—SPITHEAD.

Horse Elbow—Shoal, Buoy.

INFORMATION, dated 10th May, 1900, has been received from Staff Commander F. Haslewood, of the Admiralty Survey, of the existence at Spithead of a shoal patch with a depth over it of 17 feet, low-water springs, situated with Horse Fort bearing N. 9° W., distant 7 cables, and Nomans Land Fort N. 71° W.

Approximate position, lat. 50° 44' 25" N., long. 1° 3' 35" W.

The Horse Elbow Buoy (black conical) is now moored 1 cable S.W. of this patch.

[Variation 16° Westerly in 1900.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Owers to Christchurch, No. 2045; Approaches to Spithead, No. 2050; Spithead, No. 394. Also, Channel Pilot, Part I, 1900, page 254.

No. 301.—BALTIC—GULF OF FINLAND.

Nekmangrund Light-Vessel—No Alteration in Position.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 109 of 1900:—

The Russian Government has given further notice, dated 5th April, 1900, that the intention on the opening of navigation this year to remove the Nekmangrund Light-vessel to a position on the north-western extreme of Glotova Bank has been abandoned; the position (approximately lat. 59° 5' 45" N., long. 22° 13' 45" E.) of that vessel consequently remains unaltered.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Baltic Sea, No. 28426; Gulf of Finland, Nos. 2191, 2241. Also, List of Lights, Part III, 1900, No. 611a; and Baltic Pilot, Part II, 1896, page 253.

No. 302.—JAPAN—YEZO.

Yesasaki Light—Character Altered.

THE Japanese Government has given notice, that on and after 10th April, 1900, the colour of the red flash shown from Yesasaki Lighthouse would be altered to white, but that in other respects the light would remain unchanged. The character of the light will, therefore, now be white flashing every fifteen seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 41° 49' N., long. 141° 11' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North-West Pacific Ocean, No. 2459; Kuril Islands, No. 2405; Nipon Island, No. 2347; Yezo Island, No. 452; Tsugaru Strait, No. 2441. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1900, No. 934; and China Sea Directory, Vol. IV, 1894, page 573.

No. 303.—SUMATRA—WEST COAST.

Banjak Islands—Buoyage Altered.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 44 of 1900:—

The Netherlands Government has given further notice, dated 17th May, 1900, that the black nun buoy surmounted by a ball, which was moored on the south-western side of Arumpanjang Reef, has been moved to a position off the extremity of the spit extending south-westward from Singkel Point, and moored in a depth of 12 fathoms, with southern extreme of Singkel Point bearing N. 77° E., distant 5 miles, and Tanjong Palikala N. 12° W.

Approximate position on Chart No. 855, lat. 2° 14' 30" N., long. 97° 40' 45" E.

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1900.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Acheh Head to Tyingkok Bay, No. 2760; Banjak Islands on Sheet No. 855. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1896, page 282.

No. 304.—IRELAND—EAST COAST.

Donaghadee Light—Re-exhibited.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 279 of 1900:—

Further telegraphic information, dated 22nd May, 1900, has been received from the Irish Lights Commissioners that a 5th order white and red fixed light, having the same characteristics as the light which was destroyed, is exhibited on the head of the South-east Pier, Donaghadee.

Approximate position, lat. 54° 39' N., long. 5° 32' W.

This notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Donaghadee Harbour, No. 2549. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1900, No. 1092; and Coast of Ireland Pilot, 1893, page 204.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
26th to 29th May, 1900.

LIST of persons appointed to act as Nautical Assessors in the City of London Court, under the County Courts Admiralty Jurisdiction Act, 1868:—

Absalom Anderson, Cambridge House, Oxford-street, Whitstable.

Edward Brooks, 50, Comerford-road, Brockley.

John S. Castle, Stapleton, Sidecup, Kent.

Andrew Cuninghame, The Limes, Belmont Park, Lee, S.E.

Commander S. P. Graves, R.N., 1, Cushion-court, Old Broad-street, and 7, Kent-terrace, Regent's Park.

Captain James Kiddle, R.N., 117, Gipsy-hill, Upper Norwood.

Vice-Admiral Richard G. Kinahan, R.N., 44, South-street, Park-lane, W.

William Parfitt, 25, Athol-mansions, South Lambeth-road.

John Lilly Pattison, Lloyd's, E.C., and 78, Ham Park-road, Forest Gate, E.

Samuel Ridge, 112, Christchurch-road, Tulse Hill, S.W.

Arthur Ronaldson, Norfolk Villa, Overcliff, Gravesend. *J. Austey Wild*, Registrar.

City of London Court,
Guildhall-buildings, E.C.,
May, 1900.