

Sheerness, that a temporary beacon, painted white, shaped like a diamond, and elevated 4 feet above high water, has been erected on the site of the south-east measured mile beacon on the Maplin Sands, which has fallen down.

Approximate position, lat. $51^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{4}'$ N., long. $0^{\circ} 54\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—North Foreland to the Nore, No. 1607. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1897, page 316; and Channel Pilot, Part I, 1900, page 381.

No. 312.—PACIFIC—SANDWICH ISLANDS.

Honolulu Harbour—Sewage Pier Constructing.

INFORMATION, dated 27th March, 1901, has been received from Captain C. R. Keppel, C.B., His Majesty's ship "Warspite," that a wooden pier for carrying the sewage of the town to the sea is being constructed on the eastern side of the entrance to Honolulu Harbour.

From the inner end of this pier Battery flag-staff bears N. 25° W., distant $1\frac{2}{5}$ cables; from this position it extends seawards on a S. 13° W., bearing about 1,000 yards.

A chimney, which is rather conspicuous, has been built about 20 yards N. 55° W. from the inner end of the pier.

Approximate position, lat. $21^{\circ} 17\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $157^{\circ} 51\frac{1}{2}'$ W.

[Variation 10° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Plan of Honolulu on Sheet No. 1510; Honolulu Harbour, No. 1378. Also, Pacific Islands, Vol. III, 1900, page 229.

No. 343.—ICELAND—NORTH-WEST COAST.

Skutils Fiord—Light Exhibited.

THE Danish Government has given notice, dated 1st May, 1901, that a fixed light, elevated 20 feet above high water, and visible from a distance of 4 miles, has been established on Nordur Tangin, Skutils Fiord, which exhibits the following sectors:—green from the bearing of S. 67° W., through west, to N. 53° W.; red from N. 53° W., through north, to N. 7° E.; green from N. 7° E. to N. 67° E., and obscured in other directions.

It is shown from a lighthouse erected about 600 yards S. 13° E. from Isafjord Church.

Approximate position, lat. $66^{\circ} 5'$ N., long. $23^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{2}'$ W.

It will be exhibited annually from 1st August to 15th May.

[Variation 37° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Plan of Skutils Fiord, on Sheet No. 2997. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1901, page 194; and Icelandic Pilot, 1897.

No. 344.—PACIFIC—JUAN FERNANDEZ.

Cumberland Bay—Light Temporarily Discontinued.

THE Chilean Government has given notice, dated 18th March, 1901, that the light shown at the pier head, Cumberland Bay, has been temporarily discontinued and that it will be some time before it can be re-exhibited.

Approximate position, lat. $33^{\circ} 37'$ S., long. $78^{\circ} 50'$ W.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Cumberland Bay, No. 1344. Also, List of Lights, Part VII, 1901, No. 181; South America Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 441; and Supplement, 1898, page 24.

No. 345.—CHINA—UPPER YANG TSE KIANG.

Sha Sze Reach—Rock Reported.

THE Japanese Government has given notice, dated 9th March, 1901, that a detached rock, with a depth of 5 feet over it, and 10 to 16 feet around it, is reported to exist in Sha sze reach, situated with the white house on the western bank bearing N. 46° W., distant $24\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and Kwan yin shi joss house S. 24° W.

Approximate position, lat. $30^{\circ} 14'$ N., long. $112^{\circ} 19'$ E.

[Variation nil in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Yo chau fu to Kwei chau fu, No. 1115. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1894, page 502.

No. 346.—CHINA—EAST COAST.

Nimrod Sound—Rock Reported.

THE Japanese Government has given notice, dated 9th March, 1901, that a rock with a depth of 9 feet over it is reported to exist in Nimrod Sound, situated with north-west point of Fern Island bearing S. 15° W., distant 6 cables, and Hewett Point N. 78° W.

Approximate position, lat. $29^{\circ} 30\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $121^{\circ} 30'$ E.

[Variation 2° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Kue Shan Islands to Yang tse Kiang, No. 1199; Nimrod Sound, No. 1583. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1894, page 331.

No. 347.—SWEDEN—WEST COAST.

Sälö Fiord—New Shoal.

THE Swedish Government has given notice, dated 1st May, 1901, of the existence of a shoal with a depth of 2 fathoms over it in Sälö Fiord on the track recommended to the east of Sälö Island; it is situated with Sälö Lighthouse bearing N. 23° W., distant 3 cables, and is marked by a chequered buoy.

Approximate position, lat. $57^{\circ} 49'$ N., long. $11^{\circ} 38'$ E.

The track marked on the Chart to the eastward of Sälö has in consequence been erased.

[Variation 11° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Hönö to Paternosters, No. 129. Also, Baltic Pilot, Part I, 1895, page 52.

No. 348.—CHINA SEA—PESCADORES ISLANDS.

Reef Islands—Shoals off, Position of.

THE Japanese Government has given notice, dated 9th March, 1901, that the following rocks exist in the vicinity of the Reef Islands, Rover group:—

1. A rock with a least depth of $2\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms over it, and 9 fathoms around, situated with the north-east extreme of Steeple Island bearing N. 40° W., distant $23\frac{3}{5}$ cables.

Approximate position, lat. $23^{\circ} 15\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $119^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

2. A rock with a least depth of 3 feet over it, is situated with Flat Rock bearing N. 55° E., distant $4\frac{1}{2}$ cables.

3. A rock with a depth of $4\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms over it, is situated with Flat Rock bearing N. 70° W., distant 6 cables.

4. A shoal with the least depth of $4\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms extends in the direction of S. 56° E. for a distance of about 1 mile from the outer rock off the south-eastern extreme of the Reef Islands.

5. The 3-fathome outour line of Iwasuki Rock extends about 1 cable in a south-easterly direction from the centre of the shoal.