

No. 524.—AUSTRALIA—NORTH COAST.

Torres Strait Western Approach—Reef Reported.

THE Government of the State of Queensland has given notice, dated 25th May, 1901, that the Master of the barquentine "Sketty Belle" reports that a reef, about 700 yards long by 200 yards broad, exists at a distance of about 8 miles north-westward from Cook Reef in the western approach to Torres Strait.

Approximate position, lat. 10° 15' S., long. 141° 30' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Torres Strait, No. 447; Australia, North Coast, No. 1042. Also Australia Directory, Vol. II, 1898, page 555; Supplement, 1900, page 35, and Australia Directory, Vol. III, 1895, page 48.

No. 525.—NORTH SEA—NETHERLANDS, RIVER MAAS.

Hellevoetsluis Light—Temporarily Altered.

THE Netherlands Government has given notice, dated 5th July, 1901, that during repairs the fixed light showing red and white sectors, exhibited from the west end of the harbour, Hellevoetsluis, has been temporarily replaced by a white fixed light placed on a pile near the lighthouse.

Approximate position, lat. 51° 49' N., long. 4° 8' E.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Mouths of the Maas, No. 122. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1901, No. 137; and North Sea, Part IV, 1892, page 128.

No. 526.—ITALY—TUSCAN ARCHIPELAGO.

Africa Rock Light—Temporarily Altered.

THE Italian Government has given notice, that from 7th July, 1901, until further notice, the occulting light exhibited on Africa Rock would during repairs show as a white fixed light.

Approximate position, lat. 42° 21½' N., long. 10° 4' E.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Cape Cavallo to Civita Vecchia, No. 158. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 381; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 222.

No. 527.—ITALY—TUSCAN ARCHIPELAGO.

Pianosa Island Light—Re-Exhibited.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 818 of 1900:—

The Italian Government has given further notice that, on 7th July, 1901, Pianosa Light, showing red and white flashes alternately every thirty seconds, would be re-exhibited and the temporary light discontinued.

Pianosa Light shows the characteristics given in the Admiralty List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 379.

Approximate position, lat. 42° 35' N., long. 10° 6' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cape Cavallo to Civita Vecchia, No. 158; Plan of Pianosa Island on Sheet No. 1719. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 379; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 220.

No. 528.—BAHAMA ISLANDS.

Clarence Harbour Point Light Re-Exhibited.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 678 of 1900:—

Further information, dated 11th July, 1901, has been received through the Board of Trade

that the light (white fixed), situated about a quarter of a cable within the extreme of Harbour Point, Clarence Harbour, has been re-exhibited.

Clarence Harbour Light shows the characteristics given in the Admiralty List of Lights, Part VIII, 1901, No. 1365a.

Approximate position, lat. 23° 6' N., long. 74° 59' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Great Bahama Bank, No. 2075; Plan of Clarence Harbour, No. 408. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1901, No. 1365a; and West India Pilot, Vol. II, 1899, page 560.

No. 529.—ENGLAND—EAST COAST.

Caution. Vessels Anchored between Flamborough Head and Whitby.

NOTICE is hereby given, that surveying operations being at present conducted by His Majesty's surveying-vessel "Triton" off the coast between Flamborough Head and Whitby, that vessel, and also a mark boat, will be frequently anchored in various positions at a distance of 10 to 15 miles from the coast.

Vessels navigating these waters in thick weather are warned to take every precaution to avoid collision with these craft, which will give the ordinary signal for vessels at anchor.

No. 530.—UNITED STATES, ATLANTIC COAST—MASSACHUSETTS.

Gloucester Harbour—Light Established.

THE United States Government has given notice, that on 1st July, 1901, a red fixed light, elevated 15 feet above high water, would be exhibited from a granite pile erected at the western extremity of the unfinished portion of Dog Bar Breakwater, Gloucester Harbour, and situated about 3 cables N. 56° W. from Eastern Point Light.

Approximate position, lat. 42° 35' N., long. 70° 40' W.

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Gloucester Harbour, No. 2382. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1901, page 108; and Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, page 261.

No. 531.—NORTH SEA.

North Hinder Light-Vessel—Alteration in Fog Signal.

THE Netherlands Government has given notice that, in the beginning of September, 1901, the present fog horn and bell on board the North Hinder Light-vessel will be replaced by siren, which will give during thick or foggy weather two blasts in succession every two minutes, the first being a low note, the second a high note, thus:—low blast, two and a half seconds; silent interval, four seconds; high blast, two and a half seconds; silent interval, one hundred and eleven seconds.

Should the siren be disabled, a bell will give two strokes in succession every two minutes, followed by continuous ringing for about five seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 51° 35' N., long. 2° 36' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Dover and Calais, &c., No. 1406. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1901, No. 38; and North Sea, Part IV, 1892, page 38.