

No. 604.—FRANCE, NORTH COAST—
CHERBOURG.

Commercial Port—East Pier Light Altered.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 293 of 1901:—

The French Government has given further notice that, on 15th August, 1901, the red fixed light shown on the east pier of the Commercial Port, Cherbourg, would be replaced by an unwatched red group flashing light, showing two red flashes in succession about every fifteen seconds, the duration of each flash will always be about one-tenth of a second, but the duration of the eclipse between the groups is not regular; it is elevated, as formerly, 33 feet above high water, but is visible in clear weather from a distance of 9 miles.

The light power is 170 candles.

Approximate position, lat. 49° 39' N., long. 1° 37' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cape Flamanville to St. Marcouf, No. 1106; Port de Cherbourg, No. 2602. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1901, No. 120; and Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 401; Supplement, 1900, page 44.

No. 605.—BORNEO—NORTH-WEST
COAST.

St. Pierre Island—Light Exhibited.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 174 of 1901:—

The Netherlands Government has given further notice that, during July, 1901, a white flashing light of the 4th order, showing one flash of short duration every five seconds, and visible from a distance of 27 miles, was exhibited on St. Pierre or Petrus Island, and the temporary white fixed light discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. 1° 53½' N., long. 108° 39' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, Nos. 1263, 2660a; South Natuna Islands, No. 2104. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1901, page 94; and China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1889, page 81.

No. 606.—SPAIN—NORTH COAST.

Port Pasages—Lights.

THE Spanish Government has given notice, dated 7th July, 1901, that the following alterations have been made in the lights at Port Pasages:—

a. In place of the red fixed light formerly exhibited on the point about 50 yards eastward of the Health Office, San Pedro, an ordinary white fixed electric light, called La Torre, is shown.

b. The green fixed light formerly exhibited on Bonanza Mole, about 100 yards south-eastward from Mirador Point, has been discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. 43° 19' N., long. 1° 55' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Port Pasages, No. 73. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1901, Nos. 466, 467; and Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1900, page 269.

No. 607.—SUMATRA, WEST COAST—
KONINGINNE BAY APPROACH.

Marlbro' Shoal Buoy—Replaced by Light-Buoy.

THE Netherlands Government has given notice, dated 10th August, 1901, that the black buoy surmounted by a ball, marking the Marlbro' Shoal, Koninginne Bay Approach, has been replaced by a light-buoy exhibiting a white occulting light every thirty seconds, thus:—light, twenty seconds; eclipse, ten seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 1° 2' S., long. 100° 20½' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Ujong Masang to Ujong Indrapura, No. 709; Koninginne Bay, No. 212. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1896, page 301; and Supplement, 1899, page 20.

No. 608.—ADRIATIC, ISTRIA—PORT
UMAGO.

Pegolotta Point Light—Exhibited.

THE Austrian Government has given notice, dated 2nd August, 1901, that an unwatched dioptric red fixed light of the 5th order is exhibited from an iron frame surmounting the beacon which marks the shoal extending about 2 cables westward from Pegolotta Point, Port Umago; it is elevated 35 feet above the sea, and visible from a distance of 5 miles between the bearings of S. 2° E., through east and north, to N. 39° W.

Approximate position, lat. 45° 26½' N., long. 13° 30' E.

[Variation 9° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Gulfs of Venice and Trieste, No. 201. Port Umago on Sheet 1559. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 657; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. III, 1899, page 133.

No. 609.—NEW ZEALAND, NORTH
ISLAND—EAST COAST.

Poverty Bay—Rock Reported.

INFORMATION, dated 15th August, 1901, has been received from Mr. J. Maxwell, Master of the steamship "Tokomaru," that his vessel, drawing 22 feet, whilst at anchor and pitching heavily to a south-east swell in Poverty Bay, struck on a danger situated approximately with Gisborne Breakwater Light bearing north, distant 12½ cables, and Tuamotu Island, S. 84° E.; it has been placed on the Chart in this position as a shoal with 24 feet over it and marked "P.D."

Approximate position, lat. 38° 41½' S., long. 178° 2' E.

[Variation 14° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Mayor Island to Poverty Bay, No. 2527; Poverty Bay to Cape Palliser, No. 2528; Poverty Bay, No. 1663. Also, New Zealand Pilot, 1901, page 150.

No. 610.—MEDITERRANEAN—EGYPT.

Port Said Light—Intended Alteration.

THE Egyptian Government has given notice, that about 1st January, 1902, the electric white flashing light exhibited at Port Said will be increased in power and altered to show one flash every ten seconds instead of every three seconds as at present.

Further notice will be given before this alteration is made.

Approximate position, lat. 31° 16' N., long. 32° 19' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Damietta to El Arish, No. 2573; Port Said, No. 234. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 1320; Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 371; and Red Sea, &c., Pilot, page 47.

No. 611.—WEST INDIES—GUADELOUPE.

Basse-Terre Roadstead—Buoy Sunk.

INFORMATION, dated 25th July, 1901, has been received from His Majesty's Vice-Consul, Pointe à Pitre, that the mooring buoy, situated at a distance of about 2 cables south-westward of the signal staff Basse-Terre, has sunk.