FOR REGISTRATION AS TEMPORARY BOY Messengers.

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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 641 to 660 of the year 1901.) The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward] No. 641.—EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO-

CELEBES, EAST COAST.

Nipa Nipa Point—Non-Existence of Shoal North-East of.

THE Netherlands Government has given notice, dated 21st August, 1901, that the shoal reported to be situated about $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles N. 43° E. from Nipa Nipa Point, has been unsuccessfully searched for.

Approximate position, lat. 3° 47′ S., long. 122° 47′ E.

This shoal, the existence of which has generally been considered doubtful, has therefore been erased from the Charts.

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: - Eastern Archipelago, No. 942a; Plan of Wowoni Strait on No. 2196. Also, Eastern Archipelago, Part II, 1893, page 360; and Supplement, 1899, page 57.

No. 642.—CHILE—QUINTERO BAY APPROACH.

Quintero Rocks-Shoal South-Westward of. THE Chilian Government has given notice, dated 8th July, 1901, of the existence of a shoal, named Chandler Rock, with a depth of 13 feet over it, in the approach to Quintero Bay, situated with Los Lobos, Quintero Rocks, bearing N. 24° E., distant $7\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and Horcon Point N. 72° E.

Approximate position, lat. 32° 42' S., long.

The sea breaks over this rock in rough weather. [Variation 15° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Lora Point to Maiteneillo, No. 1282; Horcon and Quintero Bays, on Sheet No. 1300. Also, South America Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 394; Supplement, 1898, page 16.

No. 643.—THE SOUND—COPENHAGEN. Trekroner-Breakwater Constructing Marked by Light-Buoy.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 474 of 1900 :-

The Danish Government has given notice that, on 24th August, 1901, a light-buoy, painted white, and exhibiting a red occulting light every six seconds (light five seconds, eclipse one second), would be moored in a depth of 26 feet at a distance of about 20 yards from the northern end of the breakwater in course of construction northward from Trekroner, Copenhagen, and 2½ cables N. 6° W. from Trekroner Lighthouse.

Vessels should pass to the northward of this

Also, that the green wreck buoy, situated about 1 cable N.N.W. from the Trekroner Lighthouse, has been withdrawn.

Approximate position, Trekroner Lighthouse, lat. 55° 42′ N., long. 12° 37′ E.

[Variation 10° Westerly in 1901.] This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—The Sound, No. 2115; Approaches to Copenhagen, No. 790; Copenhagen, No. 3194. Also, Baltic Pilot, Part I, 1895, page 238.

No. 644.—BALTIC—GREAT BELT APPROACH.

Lille Ground-Wreck North-Westward of. THE Danish Government has given notice, dated 21st August, 1901, that a wreck with one mast above water is reported to have sunk at a distance of 2 miles N. 22° W. from Lille Ground Light-buoy, in the approach to the Great Belt.

Approximate position, lat. 55° 41′ N., long.

10° 35′ E.

Variation 11° Westerly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—The Kattegat, No. 2114; Great and Little Belts, No. 2229. Also, Baltic Pilot, Part I, 1895, page 156.

No. 645.—CHINA SEA—CARIMATA STRAIT.

Dangers in South-East Part; Non-Existence of Stephan and Townsend Reefs.
THE Netherlands Government has given

notice, dated 20th August, 1901, of the existence of the following dangers and of an unsucce sful search for the Stephan and Townsend Reefs, in the south-east part of Carimata Strait:-

a A shoal of hard sand about 4 miles long south-east and north-west, and about half a mile wide, within the 5-fathom contour line, and with a least depth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms over it, about 1 mile from its south-eastern extremity, situated 21 miles S. by W. from Sambar Point.

Approximate position, south-eastern extremity,

lat. 3° 21' S., long. 110° 16' E.

This shoal is steep-to on its south-eastern and the middle of its north-eastern sides.

b. A shoal of hard sand about 21 miles long, N.N.W. and S.S.E., and half a mile wide, within the 5-fathom contour line, with a least depth of $2\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms about 1 mile from its south-eastern

Approximate position, south-eastern extremity, lat. 3° 24½' S., long. 110° 17¾' E.

This shoal is steep-to on its southern side.

Between the above two shoals (a) (b) there is a depth of from 6 to 9 fathoms.

c. A bank of hard sand about 5 miles long, east and west, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide, with depths over it of from 4 to 7 fathoms.

Approximate position, eastern extremity, lat. 3° 34′ S., long. 110° $17\frac{3}{4}$ ′ E.

This bank is steep-to on the south-western and southern sides.

d. A shoal of hard sand with a depth of $4\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms in lat. 3° $35\frac{1}{4}$ ′ S., long. 110° $17\frac{1}{4}$ ′ E.

This shoal was not examined.

The following shoals were unsuccessfully searched for :-

- 1. A shoal with a depth of $4\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms over it in lat. 3° $34\frac{1}{2}$ ′ S., long 110° 13′ E., a depth of 20 fathoms being obtained over the assigned position.
- 2. Stephan Reef, said to be situated in about lat. 3° 7' S., long. 109° 17' E., on which a German vessel of that name is reported to have struck in
- 3. Townsend Reef, which was placed on the Chart in lat. 3° 0½' S., long. 109° 5' E., on a report as having been seen by the Master of the British steamship "Galley of Lorne."

The above three reefs have been erased from the Charts, as their existence has always been considered doubtful, and the result of these and previous searches have proved alike futile.

Variation 2° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: - Eastern Archipelago, No. 941a; Carimata Strait, No. 2160. Also, Eastern Archi-