

1901, Nos. 912, 956, 957, 966; and Norway Pilot, Part II, 1894, pages 435, 452, 479.

No. 688.—RED SEA.

Lighthouses to be Constructed—Occasional Lights.

THE Ottoman Government has given notice that, during September, 1901, the construction of lighthouses at the undermentioned places in the Red Sea will be commenced:—

1. On the Island of Jebel Tier.
Approximate position, lat. 15° 32' N., long. 41° 49' E.
2. On Centre Peak Island, Zebayir Group.
Approximate position, lat. 15° 1' N., long. 42° 9' E.
3. On Quoin Island, Abu Ail Group.
Approximate position, lat. 14° 5' N., long. 42° 48' E.
4. At Mocha, near the South Fort.
Approximate position, lat. 13° 18' N., long. 43° 13' E.

To facilitate the construction of these lighthouses and to carry the material and working parties, &c., a steam-vessel named the "Afrique" will be constantly employed.

The "Afrique," which flies the French flag, will also show at the foremast head a white pennant with the word "Afrique" in red letters, above a square flag with red and blue corners having in the centre a red lighthouse on a white lozenge and the letters B.B.T. above the lighthouse.

Masters of vessels passing near the "Afrique" are requested to take letters from her for transmission to the Constructors on the usual signal (JY) being made by the International Code.

During construction powerful lights may be used at the lighthouse sites for facilitating the work by night, and also on board the steamer "Afrique," which will often lie at anchor in their vicinity.

One or two black flags hoisted at the lighthouse works will indicate that a serious accident has happened, or that there is urgent need for help.

In this case the Masters of vessels are requested to signal the accident to the "Afrique" should they afterwards encounter her, or to report it at the first telegraph station they pass, or, if possible, to afford assistance themselves.

The lights at these lighthouses may be experimentally shown before being permanently exhibited.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Red Sea, No. 2523; Red Sea, Sheets 4 and 5, Nos. 8d, 8e; Jebel Tier to Perim Island, No. 143; Jebel Zukur and Hanish Islands, &c., No. 453; Mokha Road, No. 1955. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1901, page 26; and Red Sea and Gulf of Aden Pilot, 1900, pages 72, 74, 78, 338.

No. 689.—MEDITERRANEAN—SICILY.

Porcelli Rocks—Lighthouse under Construction; Temporary Light.

THE Italian Government has given notice, dated 2nd September, 1901, that a lighthouse is being constructed on the Porcelli Rocks, situated off the north-west coast of Sicily.

During the laying of the foundations an acetylene gas light will be used for the purpose of carrying on the work by night.

Further notice will be given as necessary.

Approximate position, lat. 38° 2' 30" N., long. 12° 26' 20" E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cefalù to Mazzara, No. 170; Trapani to Marsala, No. 189. Also, List of Lights, Part

V, 1901, page 88; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1894, page 359.

No. 690.—ADRIATIC—EASTERN SHORE.

Port Tajer—Temporary Alteration in Light.

THE Austrian Government has given notice that, from the 1st September, 1901, the light (white fixed with white and red flashes) on Sestrice Island at the entrance to Port Tajer, will, on account of damage to the light apparatus, appear until further notice as a red fixed light, visible from a distance of 9 miles.

Approximate position, lat. 43° 51' N., long. 15° 12' E.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Adriatic, No. 1440; Grosse Island to Zirona Channel, with Plan of Port Tajer, No. 2774. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1901, No. 771; and Mediterranean, Vol. III, 1899, page 204.

No. 691.—SEA OF AZOV.

Berdiansk Road—Wreck.

THE Russian Government has given notice, dated 23rd August, 1901, that a vessel lies sunk in Berdiansk Road, with Upper Berdiansk Lighthouse bearing N. 34° E., distant 2 miles.

A buoy, painted black and white and surmounted by a ball, has been placed to mark its position.

Approximate position, lat. 46° 44' N., long. 36° 47' E.

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1901.]

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Berdiansk Road on Sheet No. 2209. Also, Sailing Directions for the Dardanelles, &c., 1900, page 275.

No. 692.—UNITED STATES, ATLANTIC COAST—MAINE.

Blue Hill Bay—Rock near Black Island.

THE United States Government has given notice, dated 24th August, 1901, that the steam yacht "Wacouta," when drawing 14 feet, struck on a rock to the south-eastward of Black Island, situated nearly in mid-channel between Grindstone Ledge and Drum Island, where a depth of 7 fathoms is now shown on the Chart.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 10' 0" N., long. 68° 20' 5" W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Gouldsborough Bay to Little Spoon Island, No. 903. Also, Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, page 103.

No. 693.—ALASKA, SOUTH-EAST COAST—LYNN CANAL.

Sherman Rock—Alteration in Buoy.

THE United States Government has given notice, dated 24th August, 1901, that the bell buoy marking the Sherman Rock has been replaced by a conical buoy, painted red, moored in the same position.

Approximate position, lat. 58° 51' N., long. 135° 9½' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Windham Bay to Icy Cape, No. 2462; Lynn Canal, No. 2288. Also, Sailing Directions for the Bering Sea and Alaska, 1898, page 146.

No. 694.—SOUTH PACIFIC—SAMOA ISLANDS, TUTUILA ISLAND.

Pango Pango Harbour—Leading Lights

Established.

THE United States Government has given notice, dated 24th August, 1901, that two red