NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 89 to 92 of the year 1902.)

The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.]

No. 89.—SOLOMON ISLANDS.

Bio Island - Shoal off North-West Point.

INFORMATION, dated 24th September, 1900, has been received from Lieutenant G. Stapleton, His Majesty's ship "Torch," of the reported existence of a shoal, with 2 fathoms of water over it, lying about 1 mile off the north-west point of Bio Island.

Also, that a bank, with about 10 fathoms of water over it, lies from 2 to 3 miles W.N.W. of

the north point of Bio Island.

Approximate position (2 fathoms), lat. 10° 9' S., ong. 161° 40′ E.

Variation 8° Easterly in 1902.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Solomon Islands, No. 214; San Cristoval Island, No. 1580. Also, Pacific Islands, Vol I, 1900, page 273.

No. 90.—PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—LUZON, WEST COAST.

San Fernando—Colour of Lights Altered. Leading Lights Established.

INFORMATION has ben published by the United States Government that, on or about 1st January, 1902, the colour of the San Fernando Light would be changed from red to white.

Also, that at the same time the light in the end of San Fernando Pier would be changed from

red to green.

Also, that at the same time two fixed red lights would be established, which, when in line S. 36° E., will lead into the anchorage of San Fernando.

The front light will be exhibited at an elevation of 19 feet above high water from a white pole, situated about 175 feet from the beach, near the south-western corner of a large bamboo ware-

The rear light will be exhibited at an elevation of 106 feet above high water from a white pole, situated about 500 yards S. 36° E. from the front

Approximate position of San Fernando Light,

lat. 16° 37' N., long. 120° 17½' E.

[Variation Nil in 1902.]
This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, Nos. 1263, 2661b; Luzon Island, No. 2454. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1902, No. 627; China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1899, page 323; Supplement, 1901, to that work, page 13; Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1890, page 43; and Supplement, 1898, to that work, page 4.

No. 91.—RIO DE LA PLATA.

Monte Video-Wreck in Roadstead Removed.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 223 of 1898 :-

Information has been received that the wreck of the Swedish barque "Sam," which was sunk in Monte Video Bay, with El Cerro Lighthouse bearing N. 45° W., distant about 3.40 miles, has been dispersed with dynamite, and that a depth of 20 feet of water now exists in that position.

The black buoy moored south of the wreck has been removed.

Approximate position, lat. 34° 56′ S., long. 56° 12′ W.

Variation 7° Easterly in 1902.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Approaches to Monte Video, No. 493; same.

Monte Video Bay, No. 2001. America Pilot, 1893, pages 287, 241. Also, South

No. 92.—FRANCE—SOUTH COAST. Cape Sépet-Intended New Light: Exhibition of

Temporary Light.
WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No.

741 of 1901:

The French Government has given notice, dated 24th January, 1902, that, on 24th February, 1902, the present light, white with red flashes, now shown from Cape Sépet, will be discontinued; and that during the progress of the work for installing the new group flashing light a fixed red light will be exhibited from the upper platform of the lighthouse tower, visible in clear weather from a distance of 4 miles.

Further notice will be given of the date on which the new permanent light will be exhibited.

Approximate position, lat. 43° 4' N., long.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Marseilles to Agay Road, No. 2607; Approaches to Toulon, No. 2608; Toulon Harbour, No. 151. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1902, No. 207; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 72.

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 10th to 12th February, 1902.

In Parliament.—Session 1902.

WHITECHAPEL AND BOW RAILWAY. Additional Capital Powers; Power to London, Tilbury, and Southend, and Metropolitan District Railway Companies to subscribe; Amendment of Whitechapel and Bow Railway Act, 1900.)

Petition for Additional Provision.

OTICE is hereby given, that application will be made to Parliament by the Whitechapel and Bow Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Company") by Petition for Additional Provision for leave to introduce into the Bill now pending in Parliament under the title of "Whitechapel and Bow Railway," promoted by the Company, provisions to authorize and empower the Company to raise further capital by the creation and issue of shares or stock with or without a preference or priority of dividend attached thereto, and by borrowing or by the creation of debenture stock, or by any one or more of those methods, and, so far as may be necessary for that purpose, to amend any of the local Acts now regulating the Company, to authorize and empower the London, Tilbury, and Southerd Railway Company and the Metropolitan District Railway Company, or either of them, to subscribe for and hold any debentures or debenture stock to be issued by the Company under the proposed powers and to advance money to the Company on mortgage; to empower the said two Companies or either of them to apply their existing funds for the purposes aforesaid, and to raise additional capital for the said purposes; to amend section 12 of the Whitechapel and Bow Railway Act, 1900, by providing that the powers of holding, selling, leasing, and mortgaging thereby conferred upon the Company shall extend to buildings and sites over or adjoining the Company's stations or railway, and to authorize the Company to erect or grant to others the right to erect buildings thereon, or to use the