No. 314.—BALTIC, FINLAND—WIDSKAR FIORD.

Torfskar (Tolvskar) Light-Alteration in Character.

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 8th March, 1902, that the character of Torfskür (Tolvskar) light has been altered from alternating red and white to a white fixed light, but that in other respects it remains as before.

Approximate position, lat. 59° 50³/₄ N., long. 21° 22' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:-Hango Head to South Quarken, No. Also, List of Lights, Part III, 1902, 2297.No. 731; and Baltic Pilot, Part II, 1896, page 163.

No. 315.-ITALY-WEST COAST.

Civita Vecchia-North Entrance Temporarily Closed, Alteration in Lights.

With reference to Notice to Mariners Nos. 544 of 1899, 739 and 834 of 1900 :-

The Italian Government has given further notice, dated 10th May, 1902, that the breakwater extending north-westward from Marzocco Fort, Civita Vecchia, and the white flashing light on its extremity have been partially destroyed by bad weather. The white fixed and flashing light formerly established on the south-eastern extremity of the antenurale breakwater will in consequence be again temporarily exhibited.

Caution is necessary in using the northern entrance, and local assistance is desirable for the present.

Approximate position, antemurale light, lat. 42° 5½' N., long. 11° 47' E. This Notice affects temporarily the following Admiralty Chart:—Civita Vecchia, No. 1093. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1902, No. 392, page 68; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, pages 233, 234.

No. 316.—CENTRAL AMERICA—NORTH COAST.

Colon Bay-Shoals. The United States Government has given notice, dated 5th April, 1902, of the existence of a shoal, with a depth of $3\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms over it, in Colon Bay, situated with Manzanilla Point bearing S. 14° E., distant 101 cables, and Toro Point lighthouse S. 73° W.

There is a depth of 7 fathoms around this shoal.

Also, that an unsuccessful search was made for the $4\frac{3}{4}$ fathom patch marked P.D. and shown on the Charts about $6\frac{1}{2}$ cables N. 11° E. from Manzanilla Point.

Approximate position, Manzanilla Point, lat. 9° 22' N., long. 79° 54³/₄' W. [Variation 4° Easterly in 1902.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:-Colon Bay, No. 3111. Also, West India Pilot, Vol. I, 1893, page 272.

No. 317.—ITALY—WEST COAST.

Gulf of San Eufemia—Tunny Fishery Established. The Italian Government has given notice, dated 6th May, 1902, that a tunny fishery has been established in the Gulf of San Eufemia; the shore end of the nets is situated about 6 cables to the southward of Mezzapraia Tower, the nets extend seaward from that point in a W. N. Westerly direction for a distance of 12 cables.

Approximate position, Mezzapraia Tower, lat. 38° 49' N., long. 16° $13\frac{1}{2}$ ' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :- Cape Bonefati to Strait of Messina, No. 1976: Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 284.

No. 318.-ENGLAND-WEST COAST. Bideford Lower Lighthouse-Intended Additional

Light. The Trinity House, London, has given notice, dated 7th May, 1902, that it is intended on and after 10th June next to exhibit a red fixed light at the lower lighthouse at Bideford, from half ebb to half flood, or when there is less than 15 feet of water over the bar. This light will be in addition to the white fixed light already shown.

Approximate position, lat. 51° 4' N., long. $12\frac{1}{2}'$ W

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:-Barnstaple and Bideford, No. 1160. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1902, No. 959; and, Sailing Directions for the West Coast of England, 1902, page 75.

No. 319.—SARDINIA—SOUTH-EAST POINT. Berni Rocks Light-Character of.

With reference to Notices to Mariners No. 514 of 1901:

The Italian Government has given notice, dated 21st April, 1902, that a red flashing light is now exhibited from the stone cylindrical beacon erected on Berni Rocks, Port Giunco.

Approximate position, lat. 39° $6\frac{3}{4}$ N., long.

9° 334' E. This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:-Tyrrhenian Sea, No. 676; Sardinia to Malta, No. 165; Sardinia Island, No. 161a. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1902, No. 291a; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1894, page 475.

No. 320.-ENGLAND-EAST COAST.

East Dudgeon Buoy-Intended Alteration. The Trinity House London has given notice that, on or about 3rd June, 1902, the black conical buoy surmounted by a staff and globe, marking Emerson Knoll, Dudgeon Shoal, will be replaced by a bell buoy, painted black, carrying a staff and globe as a topmark.

Approximate position, lat. 53° $18\frac{1}{4}$ N., long. 0° $59\frac{1}{2}$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :- Blakeney to Flamborough Head, No. 1190; Orfordness to Blakeney, No. 1630. Also, North Sca Pilot, Part III, 1897, page 208.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 24th to 27th May, 1902.

The Light Railways Act, 1896. Light Railway Commission.—May, 1902. GLOUCESTER AND DISTRICT LIGHT

RAILWAYS.

VOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made in the month of May, 1902, to the Light Railway Commissioners, by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the city of Gloucester, in the county of the city of Gloucester (hereinafter called "the Corporation"), for an Order under the Light Railways Act, 1896, authorizing the Corporation to construct and work the light railways in the parish and city of Gloucester and in the parishes of Wotton St. Mary (Without), Barnwood, Hucclecote, and Brockworth, in the county of Gloucester, hereinafter referred to, it being proposed that instead of granting the Order applied for in November, 1899, by the city of Gloucester Tramways Company Limited, authorizing the construction and working of light railways in the city of Gloucester and in the county of Gloucester, mentioned in the draft Order as provisionally settled, the

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