

No. 797.—NORWAY—WEST COAST.

Steinavær, Nordstrandskier, Melbø—Lights Altered

The Norwegian Government has given notice that, on 25th September, 1903, the undermentioned alterations will be made in lights on the West Coast of Norway, viz. :—

1. Steinavær occulting light will be altered to show the following sectors:—red from the bearing of N. 33° W. to N. 18° W.; white from N. 18° W. to N. 9° W.; green from N. 9° W., through north, to N. 8° E.; red from N. 8° E. to N. 56° E.; white from N. 56° E., through east, to S. 36° E.; red from S. 36° E., through south, to S. 5° W.; green from S. 5° W. to S. 49° W.; white from S. 49° W. to S. 54° W.; red from S. 54° W. to S. 79° W.; white from S. 79° W. to S. 88° W.; green from S. 88° W., through west, to N. 73° W.; red from N. 73° W. to N. 54° W., and obscured elsewhere.

Approximate position, lat. 69° 10' N., long. 16° 38' E.

[Variation 7° Westerly in 1903.]

2. Nordstrandskier occulting light would be altered to show white from the bearing of N. 26° E. to N. 34° E.; red from N. 34° E., through east, to S. 87° E.; green from S. 87° E., through south, to S. 11° W.; white from S. 11° W. to S. 37° W., and obscured elsewhere.

Approximate position, lat. 68° 29½' N., long. 16° 10' E.

[Variation 8° Westerly in 1903.]

3. Melbø alternating light would be altered to an occulting light, showing the following sectors, viz. :—white from the bearing of N. 79° W., through north, to N. 71° E.; red from N. 71° E. to N. 80° E.; white from N. 80° E. to N. 85° E., and obscured elsewhere.

Approximate position, lat. 68° 29½' N., long. 14° 49½' E.

[Variation 9° Westerly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Lofoten Islands to Andø, No. 2312. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1903, Nos. 1146, 1125, 1104; and Norway Pilot, Part II, 1894, pages 473, 441, 462.

No. 798.—NORWAY, WEST COAST—HAUGESUND.

Garpeskier—Light Established.

The Norwegian Government has given notice, dated 12th September, 1903, that two red fixed lights, placed vertically, have been established on an iron pole on Garpeskier, Haugesund, visible from the bearing of N. 56° E., through east, south, and west, to N. 79° W.

Approximate position, lat. 59° 24' 40" N., long. 5° 15' 40" E.

[Variation 14° Westerly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Urter to Hisken, No. 881. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1903, page 156; and Norway Pilot, Part II, 1894, page 128.

No. 799.—UNITED STATES—ATLANTIC COAST, NEW HAMPSHIRE, PORTSMOUTH HARBOUR.

Seavy Island—Leading Lights discontinued.

The United States Government has given notice that, on 15th September, 1903, the leading

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lights (white fixed and red fixed vertical) on the south-west point of Seavy Island, Portsmouth Harbour, would be permanently discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. 43° 4¼' N., long. 70° 44¼' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Portsmouth Harbour, No. 2487. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1903, Nos. 701, 702; and Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, page 241.

No. 800.—AUSTRALIA—TASMANIA, NORTH COAST.

Port Frederick—Name changed.

Information, dated 24th September, 1903, has been received through the Colonial Office, that Port Frederick, Tasmania, is now known locally and officially as Devonport. The name "Port Frederick" has accordingly been expunged from the Admiralty Charts and "Devonport" substituted for it.

Approximate position, lat. 41° 10' S., long. 146° 24' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Tasmania, No. 1079; Bass Strait, No. 1695a. Also, Australia Directory, Vol. I, 1897, pages 618 to 621.

No. 801.—PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, LEITE—SOUTH-WEST COAST.

*Carmen Shoal—Non-existence of.**Kanigao Island—Shoal to Southward.*

The United States Government has given notice, dated 7th August, 1903, that, as a result of an examination by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey Steamer "Pathfinder," the shoal reported to exist off the south-west coast of Leite Island, in approximately lat. 10° 10½' N., long. 124° 43' E., and on which the steamship "Nuestra Señora del Carmen" is said to have struck in 1891, has been proved not to exist, the least depth obtained in the neighbourhood being 9½ fathoms. It has accordingly been expunged from the Admiralty Charts, as the inhabitants of the village near Green Hill state that the "Carmen" struck on the rock off the south-west point of Leite.

Also, of the existence of a shoal, with a least depth of 4½ fathoms over it, situated with the left extreme of Kanigao Island bearing N. 1° W., distant 2 miles.

Approximate position, Kanigao Island, lat. 10° 14' N., long. 124° 44½' E.

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Eastern part of the Sulu or Mindoro Sea, No. 2578. Also, Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1902, pages 290, 291, 300.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

30th September to 2nd October, 1903.