

Formosa Island and Strait, No. 1968; Hong Kong to the Brothers, No. 1962. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1894, page 143.

No. 862.—IRELAND—NORTH-WEST COAST.

*Aran Island (Aranmore)—Intended alteration in Subsidiary Light.*

The Commissioners of Irish Lights have given notice that it is intended, on or about 1st March, 1904, to alter the colour of the subsidiary light on Aran Island, visible over the Stag Rocks, from red to white.

Approximate position, lat.  $55^{\circ} 0\frac{3}{4}'$  N., long.  $8^{\circ} 33\frac{3}{4}'$  W.

Further notice will be given when this alteration has been made.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bloody Foreland to Aran Island, No. 1883. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1903, No. 1135; and Irish Coast Pilot, 1902, page 480.

No. 863.—STRAIT OF BELLE ISLE.

*Belle Isle High Light—Amended Arc of Visibility.*

Information, dated 20th September, 1903, has been received from Staff Captain W. Tooker, His Majesty's hired surveying-vessel "Ellinor," that Belle Isle High Light (white fixed) is visible to the bearing of N.  $83^{\circ}$  W., and is not cut off at the bearing of N.  $69^{\circ}$  W., as stated in the various Admiralty publications.

Approximate position, lat.  $51^{\circ} 53'$  N., long.  $55^{\circ} 21\frac{1}{2}'$  W.

[Variation  $35^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Newfoundland, No. 232b; St. John Bay to Orange Bay, No. 282; Strait of Belle Isle, No. 779. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1903, No. 2; and Newfoundland and Labrador Pilot, 1897, page 564.

No. 864.—CANADA—NEW BRUNSWICK, ST. JOHN HARBOUR.

*Round Reef—Buoy Established.*

The Government of the Dominion of Canada has given notice, dated 22nd September, 1903, that a red can buoy, with Round reef in white letters on it, has been moored in a depth of 6 feet in the entrance to St. John Harbour, in a position from which Spit Beacon Light bears S.  $54^{\circ}$  W., distant one cable, and Sand Point Wharf, south-east corner, N.  $27^{\circ}$  W.

Approximate position, lat.  $45^{\circ} 15'$  N., long.  $66^{\circ} 3'$  W.

[Variation  $20^{\circ}$  Westerly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—St. John Harbour, No. 1551. Also, Sailing Directions for South-east Coast of Nova Scotia, &c., 1903, page 292,

No. 865.—IRELAND—EAST COAST.

*The Maidens—Intended Alteration in Subsidiary Light.*

The Commissioners of Irish Lights have given notice that it is intended, on or about 1st March, 1904, to alter the colour of the subsidiary light at the Maidens, visible over the Russel and Highland rocks, from red to white.

Approximate position, lat.  $54^{\circ} 55\frac{3}{4}'$  N., long.  $5^{\circ} 43\frac{3}{4}'$  W.

Further notice will be given when this alteration is made.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Larne to Bloody Foreland, No. 46. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1903, No. 1105; and Irish Coast Pilot, 1902, page 241.

No. 866.—CANADA—NEW BRUNSWICK, BAY OF FUNDY.

*Bliss Island—Light altered.*

The Government of the Dominion of Canada has given notice, dated 22nd September, 1903, that the character of Bliss Island Light has been altered from white fixed to white occulting every fifteen seconds, thus:—light, ten seconds; eclipse, five seconds.

The light, which is dioptric of the 5th order, is exhibited at an elevation of 55 feet above high water from a white square wooden tower with a red iron lantern, and should be visible in clear weather from a distance of 12 miles.

The height of the tower from base to vane is 40 feet.

Approximate position, lat.  $45^{\circ} 1\frac{1}{4}'$  N., long.  $66^{\circ} 51'$  W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Halifax to the Delaware, No. 2670; Nova Scotia, &c., No. 1651; Bay of Fundy to Block Island, No. 2492; Bay of Fundy, No. 352; Quoddy Head to Point Lepreau, No. 2013; Passamaquoddy Bay, No. 464; L'Etang Harbour, No. 1857. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1903, No. 613; and Sailing Directions for South-east Coast of Nova Scotia, &c., 1903, page 277.

ERRATUM.—In Notice to Mariners No. 855 of 1903, for "15 miles," read "25 miles."

No. 867.—CHINA SEA.

*Natuna Islands—Shoals Reported. Mieuille Reef. Information on.*

The Netherlands Government has given notice, dated 9th October, 1903, of the existence of a coral bank, with a depth of seven fathoms over it, situated with the north point of Cape Dato, Great Natuna Island, bearing S.  $85^{\circ}$  E., distant  $13\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and the west extreme of Seluan Island S.  $52^{\circ}$  W.

Approximate position, lat.  $4^{\circ} 17\frac{1}{2}'$  N., long.  $107^{\circ} 58'$  E.

Also of the existence of a rock, with a least depth of four feet over it, in a position from which Cape Senubing bears N.  $35^{\circ}$  W., distant about four miles and Kamodi Island S.  $5^{\circ}$  W.

This rock is about five cables in diameter, and has depths of 10 fathoms around it.