NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 35 to 41 of the year 1904.)

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

No. 35.—CANADA, BRITISH COLUMBIA— QUEEN CHARLOTTE SOUND.

Blunden Harbour-Rock.

Information, dated 27th November, 1903, has been received from Commander J. F. Parry, His Majesty surveying - vessel "Egeria," of the existence of a rock, with a depth of 8 feet over it at low-water ordinary springs in Blunden Harbour, situated with Bartlett Point bearing S. 53° W., distant 1½ cables, and the eastern extremity of Bonwick Islands N. 12° W.

Approximate position, lat. 50° $54\frac{1}{4}$ ′ N., long. 127° $18\frac{1}{4}$ ′ W.

[Variation 25° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Plan of Blunden Harbour on Chart No. 571. Also, British Columbia Pilot, 1898, page 293

No. 36.—AFRICA, WEST COAST—RIVER JEBA APPROACH.

Cayo Point-Position of Light.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 600 of 1903:—

Information, dated 21st December, 1903, has been received from Commander J. Hunter, of the cable ship "Duplex," that Cayo Point Light (white fixed) has not been established on Cayo Point as stated in the above Notice, but on the smallest and easternmost of the Cayo Islands, and is situated at a distance of 2 miles S. 30° E. from Cayo Point.

Approximate position, lat. 11° $49\frac{3}{4}$ ′ N., long. 16° $20\frac{3}{4}$ ′ W.

The Portuguese local authorities have endorsed this statement.

Also, that a quarantine station and pilot house, painted white, have been erected at a distance of about 2 cables eastward of the lighthouse; they form a good landmark, and can be seen at a greater distance than the lighthouse, in approaching the Cayo Channel.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cacheo River to Isles do Los, No. 600; Bijouga Islands, No. 1726; Cacheo River Entrance, No. 1722. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1903, page 128; and Africa Pilot, Part I, 1899, page 280.

No. 37.—RED SEA—SOUTHERN PART.

Jebel Ter, Zebayir, Abu Ail, and Mokha Lights— Established.

With reference to Notices to Mariners Nos. 556' 772, and 1028 of 1903:—

Further information has been received from the Administration des Phares de l'Empire Ottoman that, on 25th December, 1903, the undermentioned lights were established:—

1. Jebel Teir. A white flashing light every five seconds, the duration of each flash being under one-tenth of a second, elevated 551 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 30 miles.

Approximate position, lat. 15° $32\frac{1}{2}$ ′ N., long. 41° $49\frac{1}{2}$ ′ E.

2. Zebayir Islands, Centre Peak Island. A white group flashing light, showing groups of three flashes every ten seconds, the duration of each flash being under one-tenth of a second, elevated 633 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 30 miles.

Approximate position, lat. 15° $1\frac{1}{4}$ ′ N., long. 42° $9\frac{1}{4}$ ′ E.

3. Abu Ail, Quoin Island. A white group flashing light, showing groups of two flashes every ten seconds, the duration of each flash being under one-tenth of a second, elevated 384 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 25 miles.

Approximate position, lat. 14° $4\frac{1}{2}$ ′ N., long. 42° 49′ E.

4. Mokha, on the south fort. A white flashing light every five seconds, the duration of each flash being under one-tenth of a second, elevated 171 feet above the level of the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 19 miles.

Approximate position, lat. 13° $18\frac{1}{2}$ N., long. 43° $13\frac{1}{4}$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Red Sea, Nos. 2523, 8c, 8d; Jebel Teïr to Perim Island, No. 143; Islands in the Southern Portion of the Red Sea, No. 453; Mokha Road, No. 1955. Also, List of Lights, 1903, Part V, Nos. 1356, 1357, 1358, 1359; Part VI, Nos. 148, 149, 150, 151; and Red Sea, &c., Pilot, 1900, pages 72, 74, 79, 339.

No. 38.—ALASKA, CLARENCE STRAIT— BEILM CANAL ENTRANCE.

Guard Island-Temporary Light.

The United States Government has given notice that, on 1st December, 1903, a white fixed lantern light elevated 22 feet above high water, was temporarily exhibited on the northern point of the northernmost of the Guard Islands, northern entrance to Tougass Narrows.

Approximate position, lat. 55° 27′ N., long. 131° $52_4^{3'}$ W.

It is intended to replace the above light by a permanent light of which further notice will be given.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Port Simpson to Port McArthur, No. 2428; Plan of Tongass Narrows on Chart No. 1524. Also, List of Lights, Part VII, 1903, page 84; and Sailing Directions for Bering Sea, &c., 1898, page 62.

No. 39.—GREECE-GULF OF PATRAS.

Prasa Island—Shoals Northward of, Height of Island.

Information, dated 21st December, 1903, has been received from Captain G. E. Patey, M.V.O, His Majesty's ship "Venerable," of the existence of a shoal, with a depth of 5 fathoms over it, situated with Prasa Island bearing S. 27° W., distant $7\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and the northern extremity of Lambrino Island S. 56° E.

This shoal, which has been marked temporarily by a spar buoy, is connected with Prasa Island by a ledge on which there are depths of from 11 to 18 fathoms.