

approach to Coquimbo Bay in a position from which the summit of outer Pajaros Island bears N. 61° W., distant 3½ cables, and the north-western extremity of Pilcachos Rocks S. 28° W. Approximate position, lat. 29° 55½' S., long. 71° 21' W.

Also, that the "Liffey," hulk, has been moved 4½ cables S. 10° E. from her former position, and is now situated with the landing pier light bearing N. 62° W., distant 1½ cables.

[Variation 14° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Coquimbo Bay, No. 574. Also, South America Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, pages 412, 413.

No. 312.—CHILE—MAGELLAN STRAIT,
EASTERN ENTRANCE.

Cape Orange—Beacon Destroyed.

The Chilean Government has given notice, dated 8th February, 1904, that the Captain of the steamship "Texan" reports that the pyramidal white beacon surmounted by two red baskets, on Cape Orange, eastern entrance to the First Narrows, has been destroyed.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 28½' S., long. 69° 22½' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Magellan Strait, Nos. 554 and 1336. Also, South America Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 92; and Supplement, 1898, page 4.

No. 313.—AFRICA, WEST COAST—GULF OF
GUINEA.

Brass River—Bar Extended.

Information, dated 25th February, 1904, has been received from Commander F. C. Learmonth, His Majesty's surveying-vessel "Goldfinch," that a bar, with a depth over it of 12 feet at low water, now extends right across the entrance of the Brass River from Western Spit to Shore Spit.

Approximate position, lat. 4° 14' N., long. 6° 14' E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Brass River on Chart No. 146. Also, Africa Pilot, Part I, 1899, page 494; and Supplement, 1903, page 29.

No. 314.—SOUTH ATLANTIC—FALKLAND
ISLANDS.

Stanley Harbour—Shoal.

Information, dated 22nd March, 1904, has been received from Commander H. V. W. Elliott, His Majesty's ship "Beagle," of the existence of a small shoal, with a depth of 18 feet over it, in Stanley Harbour, situated in a position from which the United States Consulate flagstaff bears S. 30° W., distant 3½ cables, and the Rock painted white S. 70° E.

This patch is 10 feet in extent, consists of mud, and is marked by kelp.

Approximate position, lat. 51° 41½' S., long. 57° 50½' W.

[Variation 12° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Stanley Harbour, Nos. 1774 and 1614. Also, South America Pilot, Part I, 1902, page 407.

No. 315.—AFRICA—WEST COAST.

*Sierra Leone River—Non-Existence of Shoal
Water in Approach.*

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 563 of 1903:—

Information, dated 14th March, 1904, has been received from Commander H. J. S. Clarke,

His Majesty's ship "Blanche," that he had sounded over an area of upwards of 16 square miles in the vicinity of the shoal of 4½ fathoms reported by Mr. C. J. Williams, Master of the steamship "Boulama," to exist in the approach to Sierra Leone River in a position with Sierra Leone Lighthouse (in line with Leicester Peak) bearing S. 36° E., distance 11 miles, without discovering any indication of danger, the least depth obtained being 5½ fathoms.

An examination of this area made in December, 1903, by Commander F. C. Learmonth, His Majesty's surveying-vessel "Goldfinch," also failed to reveal any sign of danger in the locality.

The remark "shoaler water reported" has therefore been expunged from the Chart.

Approximate position, lat. 8° 36½' N., long. 13° 26½' W.

[Variation 19° Westerly in 1903.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cape Verde to Cape St. Ann, No. 1147; Isle do Los to Shérbro Island, No. 601. Also, Africa Pilot, Part I, page 322; and Supplement, 1903, page 20.

No. 316.—AFRICA—WEST COAST.

River Gambia Entrance—Position of Buoys.

Information, dated 31st March, 1904, has been received from Commodore F. Finnis, His Majesty's ship "Cambrian," that the correct positions of the undermentioned buoys in the entrance to the River Gambia are as follows:—

a. Middle Buoy (red conical) is 8 cables N. 3° W. from its position as shown on the Charts, and is now situated at a distance of 6 miles N. 3° W. from Cape St. Mary.

b. The inner buoy (white conical) is 2½ cables N. 6° E. from its position as shown on the Charts, and is now situated at a distance of 5½ miles S. 89° E. from Cape St. Mary.

Approximate position of Cape St. Mary, lat. 13° 29½' N., long. 16° 40' W.

[Variation 19° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—River Gambia Entrance, No. 608. Also, Africa Pilot, Part I, 1899, page 257; and Supplement, 1903, page 15.

No. 317.—BALTIC, SWEDEN—KALMAR
SOUND.

Dänman Shoal Light—Intended Alteration in.

The Swedish Government has given notice, dated 18th April, 1904, that it is intended to alter the character of Dänman Shoal Light from white flashing every forty seconds to a light showing the following sectors:—white group flashing (two flashes in each group) from the bearing of S. 12° E. to S. 2° E., white fixed from S. 2° E., through south and west, to N. 18° W.; green fixed from N. 18° W., through north, to N. 14° E., white fixed from N. 14° E. to N. 28° E., white flashing from N. 28° E. to N. 34° E., and obscured in other directions; it will be elevated 58 feet above the sea, and the white light will be visible in clear weather from a distance of 14 miles.

The limits of the above sectors are approximate.

The present fog-horn will be replaced by a mechanical trumpet, which will, during thick or foggy weather, give three blasts in quick succession every minute, the duration of each blast being six seconds.

Approximate position, lat. 57° 32' N., long. 16° 40½' E.

[Variation 7° Westerly in 1904.]