

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Eastern Archipelago, No. 942b; Plan of Selé Strait on Chart No. 1416. Also, Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1902, page 510.

No. 466.—PACIFIC—GILBERT ISLANDS.

Nonuti—Position of Beacon Altered, Leading Line Unavailable.

Information, dated 27th April, 1904, has been received from the Commander-in-Chief, Australia, that the Master of the steamship "Titus" reports that the stone beacon on Tipurao Sandbank, in the approach to Nonuti, having been washed away, another beacon has been erected on the southern point of the bank; this beacon in its new position must not be used as a leading mark, as in line with the conspicuous gap it would take a vessel amongst the shoal heads to the southward of the track recommended. The former leading line has, therefore, been expunged from the Chart.

Approximate position, lat. $0^{\circ} 41' S.$, long. $174^{\circ} 21' E.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Nonuti, No. 3338. Also, Pacific Islands, Vol. II, 1900, page 265; and Supplement, 1903, page 12.

No. 467.—FRANCE, WEST COAST—PERTUIS D'ANTIOCHE.

La Longe de Boyard—Buoyage Altered.

The French Government has given notice, dated 27th May, 1904, that the buoyage of La Longe de Boyard in Pertuis d'Antioche has been altered as follows:—

1. The conical buoy, painted red and white, situated at a distance of $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles N. $45^{\circ} W.$ from Fort Boyard, has been replaced by a spindle buoy, painted black and white in horizontal bands, surmounted by a diamond-shaped topmark.

2. The black conical buoy, situated at a distance of $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles S. $6^{\circ} E.$ from Fort Boyard, has been replaced by a conical buoy, painted white and red in horizontal bands, and surmounted by two cones, points together, as a topmark.

Approximate position, Fort Boyard, lat. $46^{\circ} 0' N.$, long. $1^{\circ} 12\frac{3}{4}' W.$

[Variation 15° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Pointe de la Coubre to Les Sables d'Olonne, No. 2648; Pertuis d'Antioche, &c., 2746. Also, Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, &c., 1900, page 196; and Supplement, 1903, page 18.

No. 468.—SEA OF AZOV.

Berdiansk Point—Buoyage Altered.

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 24th May, 1904, that two red spar buoys have been established off the south end of the shoal, extending from Berdiansk Point, in a position from which Lower Berdiansk Lighthouse bears N. $14^{\circ} W.$, distant $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles.

It is assumed that these buoys have upturned brooms as topmarks in accordance with the Russian uniform system of buoyage.

Approximate position, lat. $46^{\circ} 36\frac{1}{4}' N.$, long. $36^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{4}' E.$

The two red conical buoys formerly situated at a distance of one mile S. $26^{\circ} W.$ and S. $57^{\circ} W.$ respectively from the Lower Berdiansk Lighthouse have been withdrawn.

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Sea of Azov, No. 2234; Berdiansk Road on Chart No. 2209. Also, Sailing Directions for the Dardanelles, &c., 1900, page 274.

No. 459.—SEA OF AZOV.

Gulf of Taganrog—Buoyage Altered.

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 24th May, 1904, that the undermentioned alterations have been made in the buoyage of the Gulf of Taganrog:—

1. The red spar buoy, formerly situated at a distance of 4 miles S. $38^{\circ} W.$ of Byelosarai Lighthouse, has been moved $2\frac{9}{10}$ miles N. $65^{\circ} E.$, and is now moored on the southern side of the 18 feet patch, at a distance of 2 miles S. $1^{\circ} E.$ from the lighthouse.

Approximate position, lat. $46^{\circ} 51' N.$, long. $37^{\circ} 19\frac{3}{4}' E.$

2. Two red wooden buoys have been moored in a depth of 14 feet off Krivaya Spit at a distance of $2\frac{9}{10}$ miles S. $36^{\circ} W.$ from the spit beacon.

Approximate position, lat. $47^{\circ} 0\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $38^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{4}' E.$

3. The two red spar buoys, formerly situated at a distance of $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. $20^{\circ} W.$ from Taganrog Lighthouse, have been moved 2 miles N. $77^{\circ} E.$, and are now moored at the turning point for vessels approaching Taganrog in a position from which Taganrog Lighthouse bears N. $10^{\circ} E.$, distant $8\frac{7}{10}$ miles.

Approximate position, lat. $47^{\circ} 3\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $38^{\circ} 54' E.$

4. The two black spar buoys, formerly situated at a distance of $4\frac{1}{4}$ miles N. $35^{\circ} W.$ from Shabelskoe Church, have been moved one mile S. $79^{\circ} W.$, and are now moored off the edge of the shoal in a position from which Shabelskoe Church bears S. $47^{\circ} E.$, distant $4\frac{1}{10}$ miles.

Approximate position, lat. $46^{\circ} 54\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $38^{\circ} 23\frac{1}{2}' E.$

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Sea of Azov, No. 2234; Taganrog Gulf, No. 3389. Also, Sailing Directions for the Dardanelles, &c., 1900, pages 273, 268, 263, 270.

No. 470.—NORTH SEA, NETHERLANDS—
TEXEL.

Oonrust Refuge Beacon—Position Altered.

The Netherlands Government has given notice that on 6th June, 1904, the Refuge Beacon on Oonrust Sands, Texel, would be moved $4\frac{1}{4}$ cables N. $75^{\circ} E.$ from its former position; in its new position it will be situated at a distance of 19 cables N. $24^{\circ} E.$ from Kykduin Lighthouse.

Approximate position on Chart No. 124, lat. $52^{\circ} 59\frac{1}{4}' N.$, long. $4^{\circ} 44\frac{1}{4}' E.$

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1904.]