This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, Northern Portion, No. 2661b; Molucca Passage to Manila, No. 948; St. Bernardino and Mindoro Strain, No. 2577. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1904, page 105; and Fortern Archivel are Part I 1909, page 274. and Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1902, page 274.

No. 842.—SEA OF AZOV—GULF OF TAGANROG.

Taganrog-Amended Description of Wrecks in Approach.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 743 of 1904:-

The Russian Government has given further notice, dated 16th August, 1904, that the wrecks of the barge and sailing vessel referred to in the above Notice, No. 743 of 1904, lies in 19 feet of water N. 44° W. and S. 44° E., distant half a cable from each other, the mean position bearing S. 32° E. $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Veselo Voznesenski Church. The masts of both are broken off below water, but the jibboom of the sailing vessel is visible.

Each of the wrecks has been marked by a black and white chequered spar buoy, surmounted by a ball.

Approximate position, lat. 47° 0_4^{1} ′ N., long. $38^{\circ} 27_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}$ ′ E.

[Variation 2° 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, page 269.

No. 843.—CHINA—NORTH-EAST COAST, SHANTUNG PROMONTORY.

Staunton Island—Rocks Near.

Information, dated 21st and 27th July, 1904, has been received from Commander Ernest C. Hardy, His Majesty's surveying-vessel "Water-witch," of the existence of the undermentioned rocks in the neighbourhood of Staunton Island:

1. A rock, with a depth of 2 feet over it, in a position with the east point of Staunton Island bearing North, distant a quarter of a mile, and

South-east Promontory Lighthouse N. 56° E.

A rocky patch, with 4 fathoms of water over it, lies S. 47° W. 1½ cables from this rock.

Approximate position, lat. 36° 443′ N., long.

122° 163′ E.

2. A rock, with a depth of 5 feet over it, in a position with North Channel Rock bearing S. 19° W., distant 2½ cables, and Needle Peak N. 31° E.

Approximate position, lat. 36° 47½′ N., long. 122° 15¼′ E.

3. A rock, with a depth of 6 feet over it, in a position with South Channel Rock bearing S. 33° W., distant 3½ Summit S. 24° E. cables, and Staunton Island

Approximate position, lat. 36° $46\frac{3}{4}$ ′ N., long. 122° $15\frac{1}{2}$ ′ E.

4. A rock, which breaks heavily, in a position with North Channel Rock S. 89° W., distant 3¹/₁₀ miles, and Needle Peak N. 9° W.

Approximate position, lat. 36° $47\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. 122° 19' E.

Variation 4° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Shantung Promontory, No. 1255. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1904, page 546.

No. 844.—BLACK SEA.

Sevastopol—Time Signal Established.

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 11th August, 1904, that a time ball will be dropped daily from a mast below the Commanderin-Chief's house, Sevastopol, at noon, Pulkova local mean time, corresponding to 0h. 12m. 47.5s., Sevastopol mean time, and 21h. 58m. 41.4s., Greenwich mean time.

Approximate position, St. Nicholas Church, lat. 44° 37′ N., long. 33° 31′ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Sevastopol Harbour, No. 963. Also, Sailing Directions for Dardanelles, &c., 1900, page 228; and List of Time Signals, 1904, page 54.

No. 845.—BALTIC—SWEDEN.

Ido Sund-Rock Reported in Approach.

The Swedish Government has given notice, dated 5th September, 1904, of the existence of a rock, with 8 feet of water over it, situated in a position with Damman Beacon bearing N. 28° E., distant 4 cables, and Kungsgrund Damman Beacon bearing Beacon S. 66° E.

Approximate position, lat. 57° 41′ N., long. 16° 50½′ E.

[Variation 6° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Oland to Landsert, No. 2361. Baltic Pilot, Part II, 1904, page 127.

No. 846.—NORWAY—WEST COAST.

Stadthavet—Rocks Keported.

The Norwegian Government has given notice, dated 6th September, 1904, of the existence of the undermentioned rocks in and near Stadthavet:

1. A rock, with 7 feet of water over it situated in the channel between Kobbeholm and Buholms in lat. 62° 10′ 10″ N., long. 5° 5′ 30″ E.

This channel should therefore not be used.

2. A rock, with 8 feet of water over it, situated in Hov Sund in lat. 62° 3′ 5″ N., long.

5° 20′ 40″ E.

3. A rock, with a depth of 4 fathoms over it, is situated in lat. 62° 6′ 35″ N., long. 5° 6′ 20″ E. This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Stav Fiord to Romsdals Islands, No. 2305; Vaagso to Skorpen, No. 1145. Also, Norway Pilot, Part II, 1894, pages 247, 249.

No. 847.—ITALY—EAST COAST.

Barletta Harbour—Decreased Depth Reported.

The Italian Government has given notice, dated 10th September, 1904, that it has been reported that the depth of water in Barletta Harbour is generally less than that shown in the plan on Admiralty Chart No. 199; and that soundings of from 5 to 10 feet extend along the north side and head of the Harbour Office Quay.

Approximate position, lat. 41° 20′ N., long.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty an :---Barletta Harbour on No. 199. Also, Plan:—Barletta Harbour on No. 199. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. III, 1899, page 68; and Supplement, 1904, to that work, page 4.

By command of their Lordships,

A. Mostyn Field, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 17th to 20th September, 1904.