

Also that a flagstaff at Gilkicker Fort no longer exists.

[Variation 16° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Approaches to Spithead, No. 2050; Spithead, No. 394; Portsmouth Harbour, No. 2631. Also, Channel Pilot, Part I, page 256.

No. 906.—BALTIC—DENMARK.

*Giedser Harbour Approach—Intended Whistle Buoy.*

The Danish Government has given notice that it is intended, about the middle of November, 1904, to moor a whistle buoy, in a depth of 5 fathoms, in the approach to Giedser Harbour in a position from which Giedser Point Lighthouse bears N. 1° E., distant 2½ miles.

Approximate position, lat. 54° 31½' N., long. 11° 58¾' E.

[Variation 10° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Femern to Bornholm, No. 2150; Lubeck Bay and Femern Belt, No. 2364; Rostock to Arkona Light, No. 2365. Also, Baltic Pilot, Part I, 1895, page 474.

No. 907.—ARGENTINA.

*Port La Plata—Time Signal Discontinued, Standard Time.*

Information, dated 4th August, 1904, has been received from Captain E. R. Le Marchant, His Majesty's ship "Brilliant," that the time signal at Port La Plata has been discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. 34° 52¼' S., long. 57° 54½' W.

Also, that the standard time of the Argentine Republic is the meridian of Cordova, or 4 h. 16 m. 48.2 s. slow on Greenwich Mean Time, and not as stated in the List of Time Signals, 1904, page 4.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Rio de la Plata, No. 2544. Also, South America Pilot, Part I, 1902, pages 288, 21; and List of Time Signals, 1904, pages 74, 4.

No. 908.—NEWFOUNDLAND, SOUTH COAST.

*Burgeo Bank—Unsuccessful Search for 10-Fathom Patch.*

Information, dated 9th August, 1904, has been received from Staff Captain W. H. Tooker, His Majesty's hired surveying-vessel "Ellnor," that in June, 1904, he made a prolonged examination of the Burgeo Bank without obtaining any indications of the existence of the 10-fathom patch reported by the steamship "Lake Nepigon" in 1890, nor was the existence of such a patch known to the fishermen pursuing their industry in the locality. As the position of the "Lake Nepigon," when this sounding was obtained, was somewhat doubtful, and as Burgeo Islands were reported to have been seen at the time, it is probable that, if a 10-fathom patch exists, it must be much closer inshore. The 10-fathom patch now shown on the Burgeo Bank has accordingly been expunged from the Admiralty Charts.

Approximate position, lat. 47° 8¼' N., long. 57° 53¼' W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Atlantic Route Chart, No. 2058; North Atlantic, Western Portion, No. 2060b; St. John's to Halifax, No. 2666; Gulf of St. Lawrence, No. 2516; Newfoundland, Southern Portion, No. 232a. Also, Newfoundland and Labrador Pilot, 1897, page 191.

No. 909.—CHINA—LIAU TUNG GULF, LIAU RIVER APPROACH.

*Newchwang Light-Vessel—Temporary Alteration. Entrance Buoy—Moved.*

The Japanese Government has given notice that, on 21st August, 1904, Newchwang Light-vessel, showing a white flashing light, was temporarily replaced by a schooner carrying three white fixed lights, placed vertically, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 5 miles. The schooner has three masts and carries a red ball at the mainmast head.

Also, that the Liau River Entrance Buoy (black conical) has been moved S. 75° E. 2½ cables to a position from which Newchwang Light-vessel bears N. 79° W., distant 2⅞ miles, and East Spit Beacon N. 51° E.

Approximate position, Newchwang Light-vessel, lat. 40° 35' N., long. 121° 59¼' E.

Further notice will be given when the permanent light-vessel is replaced.

[Variation 4° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Hong Kong to the Gulf of Liau Tung, No. 1263; Gulfs of Pechili and Liau Tung, No. 1256; Liau River, No. 2894. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1904, No. 818; and China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1904, pages 644, 645.

No. 910.—CHINA, EAST COAST—YANG TSE KIANG.

*Drinkwater Point—Light and Bell Buoy Replaced by Light-Buoy.*

The Chinese Government has given notice, dated 20th July, 1904, that Drinkwater Point Light and bell buoy has been replaced by a light-buoy painted in red and black horizontal stripes and showing an occulting light as before, but without a bell.

Approximate position, lat. 31° 24' 10" N., long. 121° 59' 50" E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Kue Shan Islands to the Yang Tse Kiang, No. 1199; Approaches to the Yang Tse Kiang, No. 1602. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1904, page 402.

No. 911.—JAPAN—KURIL ISLANDS, YETORUP ISLAND.

*Naibo Harbour—Rock Reported.*

The Japanese Government has given notice of the existence of a rock, with a depth of 8 fathoms over it, and with depths of from 12 to 32 fathoms around it, situated in Naibo Harbour in a position from which the Observation Spot bears S. 67° E., distant 3.⅔ miles, and the south extreme of Lion Rock S. 69° W.

As the sea is reported to break heavily over the rock there is probably less water on it.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 42¾' N., long. 147° 10' E.

[Variation 5° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Kuril Islands, No. 2405; Yezo Island, No. 452; Plan of Naibo Harbour on No. 1268. Also, Sailing Directions for Japan, Korea, &c., 1904, page 758.

No. 912.—SWEDEN, WEST COAST—STROM STAD APPROACH.

*Käbblingarne Light—Sectors Altered.*

The Swedish Government has given notice, dated 21st September, 1904, that Käbblingarne Light (flashing) has been altered to show the following sectors:—white from the bearing of S. 31° W. to S. 85° W.; green from S. 85° W.,