

careful search has been made in the vicinity of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ -fathom shoal reported to exist 3 cables N. 12° W. from Baker Island Lights, Main Ship Channel, Salem Approach, and the area swept over to a depth of 30 feet without any shoal water being detected, the soundings taken corresponding with those on the Chart. The lighthouse-keepers and residents on Baker Island, also, have no knowledge of the existence of this rock.

In consequence of the above it is considered that this danger does not exist, it has therefore been expunged from the Chart.

Approximate position, lat. $42^{\circ} 32\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $70^{\circ} 47\frac{1}{4}'$ W.

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1905.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Salem, Marblehead, and Beverly Harbours, No. 2427. Also, Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, pages 269, 270.

No. 1376.—JAPAN—NIPON, NORTH-WEST COAST, WAKASA WAN.

Takahama Wan—Ro-k in.

The Japanese Government has given notice, dated October 1905, of the existence of a pinnacle rock, with a depth of 4 fathoms over it at low water, in Takahama Wan, situated in a position from which Mi sen summit (2,352 feet) bears N. 82° W., distant $2\frac{6}{10}$ miles, and the western entrance point of the bay N. 14° W.

This danger, which is named Fukuguri Rock, is 10 yards in extent, and has depths of from 7 to 8 fathoms around it.

Approximate position, lat. $35^{\circ} 30\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $135^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

[Variation 5° Westerly in 1905.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Amarube Zaki to Ando Zaki, No. 2174. Also, Sailing Directions for Japan, &c., 1904, page 649.

No. 1377.—IRELAND, EAST COAST—BELFAST LOUGH.

North Briggs Rocks—Buoy Replaced by Light-Buoy.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 1165 of 1904:—

The Commissioners of Irish Lights have given further notice, dated 16th December, 1905, that the red conical buoy marking the southern extreme of the North Briggs Rocks, Belfast Lough, has been replaced by a light-buoy of the same shape and colour, exhibiting a white occulting light every four seconds, thus:—light, two seconds; eclipse, two seconds.

Approximate position, lat. $54^{\circ} 44'$ N., long. $5^{\circ} 43'$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Irish Channel, Northern Sheet, No. 1825a; Lough Carlingford to Lough Larne, No. 45; Belfast Lough, No. 1753. Also, Irish Coast Pilot, 1902, page 230.

No. 1378.—SCOTLAND, WEST COAST—FIRTH OF CLYDE.

Irvine Harbour—North Perch Disappeared; Buoy Placed.

The Irvine Harbour Trust has given notice, dated 19th December, 1905, that the North Perch

at the entrance to Irvine Harbour has been carried away, and will not be replaced for some months.

A black buoy will in the meantime be moored at about one-third of a cable seaward of the site of this Perch; this buoy must be left on the port hand when entering the harbour.

Approximate position, lat. $55^{\circ} 36\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $4^{\circ} 42'$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Firth of Clyde, No. 2159. Also, Sailing Directions for the West Coast of Scotland, 1902, page 41.

No. 1379.—UNITED STATES, ATLANTIC COAST—GEORGIA, ST. SIMON SOUND.

Jekyl Island—Light on Jetty Discontinued.

The United States Government has given notice, dated November, 1905, that the red fixed beacon light formerly shown from the outer end of the jetty at the northern entrance to Jekyl Creek, St. Simon Sound, has been permanently discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. $31^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $81^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{4}'$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Sapelo Sound to St. Andrew Sound, No. 852. Also, List of Lights, Part VIII, 1905, No. 1275 (Remarks); Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, page 791; and Supplement, 1902, page 48.

No. 1380.—CHINA, NORTH COAST—KWANG TUNG PENINSULA.

Ta Lien Hwan—Wreck in Entrance.

The Japanese Government has given notice, dated October, 1905, that the wreck of a vessel, probably the "Yenisei," lies sunk in the entrance to Ta Lien Hwan, in a position from which the summit of N. Shan Shan Tau bears S. 16° E., distant $1\frac{6}{10}$ miles.

A buoy has been placed to mark the wreck. Approximate position, lat. $38^{\circ} 56'$ N., long. $121^{\circ} 50'$ E.

[Variation 4° Westerly in 1906.]

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Kwang Tung Peninsula, &c., No. 1798. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1904, page 586.

No. 1381.—PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—MINDAO, NORTH-WEST COAST.

Dapitan Bay—Light on Tubud Point Discontinued.

The United States Government has given notice, dated 9th December, 1905, that the red fixed light formerly shown from the lighthouse on Tubud Point, Dapitan Bay, has been discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. $8^{\circ} 42\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $123^{\circ} 24'$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Philippine Islands, No. 943; Sulir or Mindoro Sea, eastern part, No. 2578; Dapitan Bay on sheet No. 957. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1905, No. 586; and Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1902, page 326.