

of Berck Light on Point du Haut Banc is now a white flashing light every five seconds, as before, but the duration of each flash is seven-tenths of a second and each eclipse four and three-tenths seconds, the light power being 30,000 candles; it is elevated 117 feet above high water and visible in clear weather from a distance of 16 miles, the tower is 87 feet high.

The provisional white fixed light in the upper gallery of the lighthouse has been discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. $50^{\circ} 24' N.$, long. $1^{\circ} 33\frac{1}{2}' E.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Cayeux to Boulogne, No. 2148. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1906, No. 28; Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 552.

No. 496.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

Le Havre Approach, North-west Pass—Additional Wreck, Buoys Altered.

With reference to Notices to Mariners, Nos. 1340 of 1905 and 168 of 1906:—

The French Government has given further notice, dated 28th April, 1906, that the wreck of a steam lighter, Porteur No. 1, lies sunk at a distance of about one cable to the southward of the wreck of the steamship Niobe, which lies sunk at a distance of $4\frac{1}{8}$ cables N. $60^{\circ} W.$ from the outer extremity of the new north pier at Havre; the light-buoy, painted green, exhibiting a red fixed light about 50 yards south-westward of the Niobe, has in consequence been replaced by the following green buoys:—

1. A buoy exhibiting a red light, moored about 50 yards from the western end of the Porteur wreck.

2. A spherical buoy moored about 50 yards from the north-eastern end of the Niobe wreck.

3. Two conical buoys moored about 100 yards on either side of the centre of a line joining the above buoys.

Approximate position, lat. $49^{\circ} 29\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $0^{\circ} 4\frac{3}{4}' E.$

[Variation 15° Westerly in 1906.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Le Havre, No. 2990. Also, Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 492; and Supplement, 1900, page 54.

No. 497.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST, MORLAIX.

Tour de la Lande Light—Character Altered.

With reference to Notices to Mariners Nos. 1325 of 1905 and 336 of 1906:—

The French Government has given further notice, dated 25th April, 1906, that on 15th April the character of Tour de la Lande Light in the approach to Morlaix was altered to a white flashing light every five seconds, thus:—flash, seven-tenths of a second; eclipse, four and three-tenths seconds. It is visible in clear weather from a distance of 21 miles, having a light power of 30,000 candles; in other respects it remains as before.

On the same date the provisional white fixed light exhibited in the upper gallery of the lighthouse was discontinued.

Approximate position, lat. $48^{\circ} 38' N.$, long. $3^{\circ} 53' W.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—English Channel, Nos. 1598 and 2675b; Ile d'Ouessant to Roches Douvres, No. 2644; channels and road of Morlaix, No. 2744. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1906, No. 216; Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 42; and Supplement, 1900, page 17.

No. 498.—MEDITERRANEAN—CORSIKA, SOUTH COAST, BONIFACIO STRAIT.

Cape Pertusato Light—Character Altered.

With reference to Notices to Mariners Nos. 1054 of 1905 and 339 of 1906:—

The French Government has given further notice that, on 6th May, 1906, the character of the Cape Pertusato Light, south coast of Corsica, was permanently altered to a white group flashing light, with a light power of 150,000 candles, showing two flashes every ten seconds, thus:—flash, three-tenths of a second; eclipse, two and three-tenths seconds; flash, three-tenths of a second; eclipse, seven and one-tenth seconds.

On the same date the provisional white group flashing light, exhibited from the upper gallery of the lighthouse, was discontinued.

The height above the sea and the distance visible remain as at present shown in the Light List.

Approximate position, lat. $41^{\circ} 22' N.$, long. $9^{\circ} 11' E.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Mediterranean Sea, Western Sheet, No. 2158a; Tyrrhenian Sea, No. 676; Gulfs of Lyons and Genoa, No. 1780; Sardinia Island, No. 161b; Corsica, No. 1131; Bonifacio Strait, No. 1189. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1906, No. 260; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1905, page 180.

No. 499.—JAPAN—NAIKAI.

Osaka Light—Red Sector Discontinued.

The Japanese Government has given notice, dated 5th April, 1906, that, after May, 1906, the mouth of the Agikawa, being blocked in connection with the harbour works at Osaka, the red sector between the bearings of N. $73^{\circ} E.$ and N. $83^{\circ} E.$, shown from Fort Tempo Zan Light, would be discontinued, the light will then show white from the bearing of N. $62^{\circ} W.$, through north and east, to S. $4^{\circ} W.$

Approximate position, lat. $34^{\circ} 39\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $135^{\circ} 25\frac{1}{2}' E.$

[Variation 4° Westerly in 1906.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Naikai, No. 2875; Kobe and Osaka, No. 16. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1906, No. 1042; and Sailing Directions for Japan, &c., 1904, page 419.

By command of their Lordships,

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