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No. 457.—BALTIC ENTRANCE—GERMANY.

Kiel Fiord Entrance—Gunnery Practice, Regulations.

Subject.—From the 29th March to 29th May (inclusive), 1909, on certain days not yet fixed, gunnery practice will take place seawards from the forts at the entrance to Kiel Fiord. On these days traffic will be prohibited during certain hours, excepting for mail steamers, within the undermentioned area.

Position.—Bulk Point, lat. $54^{\circ} 27\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $10^{\circ} 12' E.$

Limits of area.—On the north:—A line drawn from Bulk Point Lighthouse to Bulk Light-vessel and thence to Stein village. On the south:—A line drawn from Friedrichsort Lighthouse to Korügen Pier.

Patrol vessels.—Police steam vessels will patrol the prohibited area. They will carry, by day, a yellow flag in the bow, and at night a red light above the usual white masthead light. The orders given from these vessels must be immediately obeyed.

Signals.—The following signals will be made on the days of practice:—

1. "Traffic is prohibited":

(a) A red double pennant and a cone, point upwards, from the fort firing.

(b) A red double pennant by day, and a red light by night from the undermentioned positions:—Bulk Point Signal Station; Bulk Light-vessel; Friedrichsort Lighthouse; and the Police vessels.

(c) A red double pennant from Düsternbrook Signal Station, Kiel.

2. "Practice temporarily suspended":

(a) A black flag under the red double pennant, and two balls instead of the cone from the fort firing.

(b) A black flag under or beside the red double pennant from the undermentioned positions:—Bulk Signal Station; Bulk Light-vessel; Friedrichsort Lighthouse; Düsternbrook Signal Station; and the Police vessels.

3. "Traffic can be resumed":

By day the signals will be hauled down.

By night, in addition:

(a) A rocket followed by a red and a green double star from the fort firing.

(b) A red and a green double star from the Police vessels.

4. "Traffic will not be suspended to-morrow":

Flag A of the International code, displayed from 3 P.M. until dusk from the undermentioned positions:—Friedrichsort Lighthouse; and Düsternbrook Signal Station.

Remarks.—The practices will take place by day between the hours of 6 A.M. and 11.30 A.M.; and by night, between 8 P.M. and midnight.

Caution.—Vessels passing through the above-mentioned area must avoid fouling floating tow-ropes and targets.

Charts temporarily affected.—No. 696, Kiel Harbour; No. 33, Eckernförder Bucht and Kiel Fiord.

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No. 458.—EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO—FLORES SEA.

Sabalana or Postillon Islands—Reefs.

Subject.—The undermentioned reefs, not hitherto shown on the charts, exist near the Sabalana or Postillon Islands.

(a) Position.—North extreme of Makaranagan Island bearing N. $74^{\circ} E.$, distant about 12 miles, and Sadulangan Island, S. $17^{\circ} E.$; lat. $6^{\circ} 46' S.$, long. $118^{\circ} 45' E.$

Description.—About $2\frac{1}{2}$ cables in extent.

Depth.—5 fathoms.

(b) Position.—Centre of reef, lat. $6^{\circ} 44\frac{1}{2}' S.$, long. $118^{\circ} 50' E.$

Description.—About 5 miles long, in an E. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. and W. by S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. direction, and 2 miles wide.

Depth.—From 4 to 8 fathoms.

Remarks.—The name "Makaranagan" should be altered to "Lajar" on the chart, and the island now named "Lajar" should be named "Makaranagan."

Variation.— $2^{\circ} E.$

Charts affected.—No. 1696, Lombok to Flores; No. 2637, Strait of Makassar, South Part; No. 941b, Eastern Archipelago, Western Portion; No. 2759a, Australia, Northern Portion; No. 1263, China Sea.

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No. 459.—BALTIC ENTRANCE—GERMANY.

Kiel Harbour—Alterations in Buoyage.

Subject.—Three buoys have been established in Mönkeberger Bay, Kiel Harbour, in connection with the adjustment of compasses; and the position of the light-buoy in the bay has been altered as undermentioned.

1. Buoys established:

	Position.	Description.
(a)	Lat. $54^{\circ} 21' 25'' N.$	Black conical buoy with red ball top mark, marked 8a.
	Long. $10^{\circ} 10' 39'' E.$	
(b)	Lat. $54^{\circ} 21' 19'' N.$	Black conical buoy with red ball top mark, marked 8b.
	Long. $10^{\circ} 10' 46'' E.$	
(c)	Lat. $54^{\circ} 21' 7'' N.$	Black conical buoy with red ball top mark, marked 8c.
	Long. $10^{\circ} 10' 43'' E.$	

2. Position of buoy altered:

Buoy.—Light-buoy "Kiel 9."

New position.—At a distance of 150 yards, N. $31^{\circ} E.$, from its former position; latitude $54^{\circ} 21' 1'' N.$, long $10^{\circ} 10' 33'' E.$

Variation.— $11^{\circ} W.$

Chart affected.—No. 696, Kiel Harbour.

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