

Vessel (Lat. 52° 31½' N., long. 1° 50' E.) and the South Scroby Buoy.

(c) THE SUNK LIGHT-VESSEL, where ships trading with Netherlands Ports, but *no others*, can obtain Pilots for the River Thames and the Downs.

The Sunk Pilot Steamer will be on her station between the hours of 5 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. only, G.M.T.

(d) Pilots can also be obtained at LONDON for the Downs and Great Yarmouth (including the River Thames and approaches).

Note.—The Pilots referred to in this Notice are the Pilots licensed by the London Trinity House and no others.

## II. RIVERS THAMES AND MEDWAY, &c.

1. All traffic into and out of the River Thames must pass through the Edinburgh Channels, or through the Black Deep south of the Knock John and Knob Light-Buoys, and through the Ooze Deep, until further notice.

No vessels are to remain under way in the above-mentioned Channels between a line drawn from London Stone to No. 3 Sea Reach Light-Buoy and thence to Canvey Point on the west, and the Sunk Head Buoy or a line joining the positions of the South Long Sand and East Shingles Buoys, on the east, from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise.

Vessels at anchor within these limits must not exhibit any lights from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise. No merchant or other private vessel is, however, to be at anchor in the Black Deep, and the Main Channel of the Thames, to the southward of a line joining a position in lat. 51° 38' N., long. 1° 21' E., D3 Buoy, East Knock John Buoy, Knob Light-Buoy, West Ooze Buoy, Nore Light-Vessel and Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sea Reach Buoys, from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise.

Anchorage for merchant or private vessels is also prohibited in the West Swin, and in the area enclosed on the east by a line joining North Knob and Knob Light-Buoys, on the west by a line joining South Shoebury Light-buoy and Nore Light-Vessel, and on the north by a line joining North Knob and South Shoebury Light-buoys.

All other Channels are closed to navigation.

The Nore Examination Anchorage is reserved for vessels under examination before entry into the Medway, and also for vessels on Government service which have left the Medway and are awaiting orders as to route, &c.

2. Coasting vessels are not to be under way nor exhibit any lights in the East Swin or Wallet between sunset and sunrise.

3. (a) The cruising of yachts and pleasure craft in the Thames Estuary and River Medway will be permitted under the following restrictions.

(b) No yachts or pleasure boats under sail or steam, or otherwise mechanically driven, are allowed:—

(i.) In the Estuary of the Thames east of a line drawn between the Grain Spit and West Shoebury Buoys.

(ii.) In the area enclosed by a line drawn north and south through the Ovens Buoy to a line joining Holehaven Point and the Blyth Middle Buoy.

(iii.) In the Medway east of Rochester Bridge.

(e) The Estuary of the Thames mentioned above in paragraph (b) (i.) is to be considered to include the north coast of Kent from North Foreland to Sheerness, and the coast of Essex from Shoeburyness to the Naze.

(d) All pleasure craft of any description are prohibited from being under weigh between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. G.M.T.

(e) Pleasure craft using the waters to the west of the line mentioned in paragraph (b) (i.), in which cruising is permitted, must obtain a licence from the local Police.

(f) If more than one craft is used, a separate licence is required for each.

(g) The name must be marked legibly on every yacht. All open, half-decked and other craft must have the number and distinguishing letter of the licence clearly painted on each side of the bow.

(h) The licence must be carried in the craft, and is to be available for inspection.

(i) Boats licensed for hire may be taken out by British subjects other than those in whose names the licences are made out, provided that they be returned to the licensees by 8 p.m. G.M.T. on the day of hire. The licence for the boat must be carried by the person hiring it.

(j) Pulling boats are allowed within the area prohibited by paragraph (b) (i.), provided:—

(i.) A licence is obtained in accordance with paragraphs (e) and (f).

(ii.) A separate licence is obtained for each boat.

(iii.) Paragraphs (d), (h) and (i) are complied with.

(iv.) No such boats proceed further than one mile from the shore, and in the area between Margate Coast Guard Station and the North Foreland they must keep within half a mile from the shore.

(k) Pulling boats are forbidden to go alongside or communicate with any vessel lying off the shore.

(l) No pleasure pulling boats are allowed in the Medway to the eastward of Rochester Bridge, nor are they allowed in the area mentioned in paragraph (b) (ii.).

(m) Fishing vessels are governed by the terms of the Notices issued by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

4. (a) The cruising of yachts and other pleasure craft under sail, steam, or otherwise mechanically driven, and under oars, in the Colne, Blackwater, Crouch and Roach rivers will be permitted under the following restrictions:—

(b) All pleasure craft of any description are prohibited from being under weigh between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. G.M.T.

(c) Pleasure craft using the areas mentioned in paragraphs (j) and (k), in which cruising is permitted, must obtain a licence from the local Police.

(d) If more than one craft is used, a separate licence is required for each.

(e) The name must be marked legibly on every yacht. All open, half-decked and other craft must have the number and distinguishing letter of the licence clearly painted on each side of the bow.

(f) The licence must be carried in the craft, and is to be available for inspection.

(g) Boats licensed for hire may be taken out by British subjects other than those in whose