

Divisional Officer of Coastguard at Whitstable, dated 15th March, 1892, that the two tall coke oven chimneys eastward of that harbour have been removed.

Approximate position of site, lat.  $51^{\circ} 21\frac{3}{4}'$  N., long.  $1^{\circ} 1\frac{3}{4}'$  E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Foreland to Orfordness, No. 1510; Dungeness to the Thames, No. 1895; North Foreland to the Nore, No. 1607. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1889, page 326.

#### No. 135.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND ALL FOREIGN STATIONS.

FRANCE—WEST COAST.—BELLE ÎLE.

*Intended Fog Signal near Goulfar Lighthouse.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 11th March, 1892, that a fog siren, worked by compressed air, will shortly be sounded experimentally from a small structure of masonry, erected on the west coast of Belle Île, near Goulfar Lighthouse. This siren will give, about every two minutes, two consecutive blasts, of equal power and of about three seconds duration each, separated by silence of three seconds.

Approximate position, lat.  $47^{\circ} 18\frac{3}{4}'$  N., long.  $3^{\circ} 13\frac{3}{4}'$  W.

Further notice will give the date of establishment of the siren.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bay of Biscay, No. 1104; Bourgneuf to I. de Groix, No. 2646. Also, List of Lights, Part III, 1892, No. 239; and Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1891, page 75.

#### No. 136.—CHINA STATION.

CHINA—EAST COAST.

*Yangtse Kiang—South Channel.*

NOTICE is given, that Admiralty Chart, entrance to the Yangtse Kiang, No. 1602, has been corrected from a recent survey by Mr. Bisbee, Coast Inspector; but that charts of the Yangtse Kiang, Nos. 1480, 1199, will not be altered, the changes being so rapid.

This Notice affects China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1884, page 421; and Revised Supplement, 1891, relating to China Sea Directory, Vol. III, pages 86, 87.

#### No. 137.—CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AND AUSTRALIA STATIONS.

HINDUSTAN—WEST COAST.

*Bombay Harbour—Alterations in Buoyage, &c.*

THE following information, dated 1st March, 1892, relative to alterations in buoyage, &c., in Bombay Harbour, has been received from Lieutenant and Commander H. Freedy, Her Majesty's ship "Redbreast":—

1. The depth over Raleigh Rock has been reported to be increased by blasting to 26 feet, and the buoy previously marking this danger has therefore been withdrawn.

2. A buoy, named Third Troopship Buoy, has been moored with South Beacon bearing W.  $\frac{1}{8}$  S., and Dolphin Lighthouse N. by W.  $\frac{3}{4}$  W., distant three cables.

3. Flagstaff Shoal Buoy has been moved about three-quarters of a cable eastward of its previous position, and now lies in about 23 feet water.

4. North Patch Buoy will be withdrawn on 1st May, 1892, as the least depth for about two cables inside it is now ten feet.

NOTE.—Quarantine anchorage in Bombay Harbour is now defined as follows:—By an imaginary line drawn from Prongs Lighthouse through Sunk Rock Lighthouse, and at the distance of  $1\frac{1}{4}$  to 2

miles from the last-named lighthouse, in depths of 32 to 36 feet, with Dolphin Lighthouse bearing from N.W. to W.N.W.

The depths given are at low water spring tides. [Variation  $1^{\circ}$  Easterly in 1892.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Plans:—Bombay Harbour, No. 2621; Port of Bombay, No. 655. Also, West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 1891, pages 219, 222, 223.

#### No. 138.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, MEDITERRANEAN, CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AND AUSTRALIA STATIONS.

MEDITERRANEAN.—LINOSA.

*Point Vergogna Light—Temporary Alteration in Character.*

THE Italian Government has given notice, dated 15th March, 1892, that in consequence of damage to the rotatory apparatus, the light on Point Vergogna temporarily appears as a fixed white light.

Approximate position, latitude  $35^{\circ} 52\frac{1}{2}'$  N., longitude  $12^{\circ} 53'$  E.

This notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Sardinia to Malta, No. 165; Linosa Island, on sheet, No. 193. Also List of Lights, Part IV, 1892, No. 450a; Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1885, page 297; and Revised Supplement, 1891, relating to Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, page 19.

#### No. 139.—CHINA, AUSTRALIA, AND PACIFIC STATIONS.

UNITED STATES—CALIFORNIA.

SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL.

*Hueneme Point Light—Alteration in Character.*

THE United States Government has given notice, that on or about 15th April, 1892, the following alteration will be made in the character of Hueneme Point Light, north side of eastern entrance to Santa Barbara Channel:—

Hueneme Point Light will be an occulting white light, with intervals of five seconds between the eclipses.

The order of the light will not be altered.

Approximate position, lat.  $34^{\circ} 9'$  N., long.  $119^{\circ} 12\frac{1}{2}'$  W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Cape Corrientes to Kadiak Island, No. 787; San Diego Bay to Cape Mendocino, No. 2530; San Diego Bay to Conception Point, No. 899. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1892, No. 165.

#### No. 140.—NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION.

UNITED STATES—NEW YORK.—NEW YORK APPROACH.

*Gedney Channel—Alterations in Buoyage.*

THE United States Government has given notice, that on or about 31st March, 1892, the following alterations will be made in the buoyage of Gedney Channel, approach to New York from the southward:—

1. A conical buoy, painted red and lettered "G" in white, will be placed about 100 yards eastward of the electric lighted spar buoy No. G 2, in about 28 feet at low water, with Sandy Hook North Beacon bearing W. by S.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S., distant  $2\frac{2}{10}$  miles, and Centennial Tower N.  $\frac{1}{8}$  W.

Approximate position, lat.  $40^{\circ} 29' 25''$  N., long.  $73^{\circ} 56' 50''$  W.

2. A can buoy, painted black and lettered "G" in white, will be placed about 100 yards eastward of the electric lighted spar buoy No. G 1, in about 24 feet at low water, with Sandy Hook North Beacon bearing W. by S., distant  $2\frac{1}{10}$  miles, and Centennial Tower N.  $\frac{3}{8}$  W.