2. York River York Spit extending southward.

Also, that York Spit has extended in a southeasterly direction. The southern part of the shoal having less than 18 feet water over it, lies a little more than 11 miles S. by E. 12 E. (S. 17° E.) from York Spit Lighthouse.

Approximate position, lat. 37° 11′ 20" N., long.

76° 14′ 20″ W.

Variation 4° Westerly in 1894.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Chesapeake Bay, Nos. 355a and 2843a. Also, Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, page 167

No. 296.—NORTH AMERICA AND WEST INDIES STATION.

United States.—Long Island Sound. Gas-Light Buoy at North Extreme of Gardiner Island.

THE United States Government has given

notice, dated 22nd May, 1894, that:-

A gas-light buoy, painted black, and showing a fixed white light, is moored in 12 fathoms, about a quarter of a mile N. by E. (N. !1° E.) from the north extremity of Gardiner Island. From it Gardiner Island Lighthouse bears S. by W. (S. 11° W.) distant 3 cables and Long Beach Bar Lighthouse W. $\frac{3}{4}$ S. (S. 81° W.)

Approximate position, lat. 41° 8′ 50" N., long. 72° 8′ 45" W.

Variation 10° Westerly in 1894.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Block Island to Great Egg Harbour, No. 2480; Long Island Sound, No. 2754. Also, Sailing Directions for the Principal Ports on the East Coast of the United States, page 100; Hydrographic Notice, No. 7 of 1888, page 15.

No. 297.—CHANNEL AND WESTERN, AND ALL FOREIGN STATIONS.

IRELAND—East Coast.—Waterford Harbour-Additional Lights exhibited.

THE Commissioners of Irish Lights have communicated the following particulars relating to certain lights recently exhibited in Waterford Harbour:

1. Cheek Point Light is fixed white and red, showing white in the channel, and red over Carter's Patch and Seedes Bank.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 16′ 5″ N., long. 6° 59′ 20″ W.

2. Snowhill Light and Glass-house Light are fixed white leading lights, and when in line lead over Cheek Point Bar.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 16′ 25″ N., long. 7° 0′ 50″ W.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 16′ 15″ N., long. 7° 1′ 30″ W.

3. Faithleg Light is fixed white, and when in line with Queen's Channel Eastern Light indicates the fairway through Queen's Channel.

Approximate position of Faithleg Light, lat 52° 15′ 10″ N., long. 7° 1′ 50″ W.

4. A fixed white light is shown on the point opposite to Cove Light.

Approximate position, lat. 52° 15′ 10″ N., long. 7° 5′ 10″ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: -Kinsale to Wexford, No. 2049; Waterford Harbour, No. 2046. Also, List of Lights, Part I, Nos. 753a, 753b, 753c, 753d, and Irish Coast Pilot, 1893, page 91.

No. 298.—CAPE, EAST INDIES, CHINA, AUSTRALIA, PACIFIC, AND SOUTH-EAST AMERICA STATIONS. SOUTH INDIAN OCEAN.

Ice.

TELEGRAPHIC information has been received by the Shaw Savill and Albion Company Limited, from the Commander of the steamship "Tainui," that in the month of May, 1894, was encountered in the under-mentioned position:-

Latitude, 44° 0' S., long. 42° 0' E.

Although this position is within the line shown on the Antarctic Ice Chart, where ice may be fallen in with, icebergs do not appear to have been hitherto reported in the exact locality, and Mariners are cautioned accordingly.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:-Ice Chart of the Southern Hemisphere, No. 1241. Also, Australia Directory, Vol. I,

p. 1884, pages 2 and 648.

No. 299.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

NORTH SEA-APPROACH TO THE SKAGERRAK. Sunken Wrech westward of Hanstholm.

INFORMATION has been published in the Shipping Gazette, dated 31st May, 1894, that-

A sunken wreck, with mast about 6 feet above water lies in about 14 fathoms water, at 40 miles west of Hanstholm Lighthouse.

Approximate position, lat. 56° 57' N., long.

7° 23' E.

Variation 14° Westerly in 1894.7

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Sea, No. 2182b; Baltic Sea, 2842a. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, pages 33 and 252.

No. 300.—BALTIC STATION. BALTIC-GULF OF FINLAND. Amended Position of Sunken Wreck.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 214, dated 30th April, 1894, the Russian Government has given notice of the following amended position of the wreck of the steamer "Royal Minstrel":-

The wreck lies in 17 fathoms water, one mile N.W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. (N. 54° W.) from Odensholm Lighthouse, with the mainmast showing 2 feet above the sea; a white spar buoy with a black broom point downwards marks the northern side of the wreck, and a red spar buoy with a red broom. point upwards on the southern side.

Approximate position, lat. 59° 18′ 50" N., long. 23° 21′ 20" E.

[Variation 3\frac{3}{4}\circ Westerly in 1894.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :- Baltic Sea, No. 2842b; Gulf of Finland, No. 2191; Entrance to Gulf of Finland, No. 2241. Also, Baltic Pilot, 1888, page 223.

No. 301.—NORTH SEA AND BALTIC STATIONS.

ENGLAND-EAST COAST.-SCARBOROUGH HARBOUR.

Intended Alteration in Character of Vincent Pier Light.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 233 of 1894, the Harbour Commissioners of Scarborough have given notice that on or about 1st July, 1894, the following alteration will be made in the character of the Tidal Light shown from Vincent Pier, Scarborough Harbour:

Vincent Pier Tidal Light will be a flashing light every eight seconds thus, a flash of four seconds duration, followed by an eclipse of four