.. No. 332.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST. Seine River Entrance-Alterations in Depths. WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 292

It appears from a recent survey made by the French authorities that the channels into the River Seine have entirely altered, and consequently Admiralty Chart and Plan of River Seine, Nos. 2680, 2613, 2695c, can no longer be considered as a guide: they will be corrected and cancelled as soon as practicable.

Approximate position (Cape de la Hève high light), lat. 49° 30′ 45″ N., long. 0° 4′ 20″ E.

## · No. 333.—FRANCE—WEST COAST. Gironde River.

Experimental Lighting and Buoyage of Médoc Channel.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 290

The French Government has given notices, dated 29th May and 1st June, 1897, that the undermentioned alterations have experimentally been made in the lighting and buoyage of Médoc Channel, Gironde River :

1. By light-vessel (fixed white) has been withdrawn.

Approximate position, lat. 45° 23' 45" N., long. 0° 49' 0" W.

' 2. The light-buoy, painted red and showing a white light, situated southward of Mapon, has been withdrawn.

Approximate position, lat.  $45^{\circ} 16' 55''$  N., long.  $0^{\circ} 45' 20''$  W.

3. The spherical red buoy with conical topmark moored southward of Platin de Richard, has been replaced by a light-buoy, painted red and showing a white light.

Approximate position, lat. 45° 24' 35" N., long.

0° 51' 30" W.

4. A light-buoy, painted black and showing a red light, is moored in approximately latitude 45° 24′ 30′′ N., longitude 0° 50′ 25″ W.

5. The light-buoy at By, showing a white light, is now moored in approximately lat. 45° 23′ 40″ N., long. 0° 50′ 20″ W.

[Variation 15½° Westerly in 1897.]
This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:-Pte. D'Arcachon to Pte. de la Coubre, No. 2664. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1897, No. 352; Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1891, page 123.

## No. 334.—CHINA SEA—FORMOSA ISLAND.

Light exhibited on Foki Kaku (Topien Point). THE Japanese Government has given notice, that on 20th April, 1897, the undermentioned light was established on Foki Kaku (Tapien or Faki Point), the north extreme of Formosa Island:

Foki Kaku Light is a fixed white light of the 2nd order, elevated 161 feet above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 19 miles, between the bearings N. 70° E., through east and south, and N. 87° W.

The lighthouse, 100 feet high, is iron, octagonal in shape, and painted in black and white horizontal bands.

Approximate position, lat. 25° 18′ 30″ N., long. 121° 31′ 30″ E.

[Variation 1° Westerly in 1897.]
This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: Hongkong to Gulf of Liau Tung, No. 1262; China Sea, 1263; Amoy to Nagasaki, No. 2412; Formosa Island and Strait, No. 1968; Ockseu Islands to Tung Yung, No. 1761. Also,

List of Lights, Part VI, 1897, No. 493; China Sea Directory, Part III, 1894, page 267.

No. 335.—ENGLAND—SOUTH COAST. ISLE OF WIGHT.

Intended Alteration in Character of Nodes Beacon. THE Trinity House, London, has given notice, dated 4th June, 1897, that:-

Nodes Beacon on High Down is about to be replaced by a cross, to be erected to the memory

of the late Lord Tennyson.

The present beacon is now in course of demolition, and the cross, which will be built on the same site, will be completed in about six weeks from the present date, during which time no temporary beacon will be exhibited.

Approximate position, lat. 50° 40′ N., long. 1° 32′ 25″ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: English Channel, No. 26756; Portland Harbour to Owers, No. 2450; Owers to Christchurch, No. 2045; the Solent, No. Needles Channel, No. 2219. Also, C Also, Channel Pilot, Part I, 1893, pages 211, 215.

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer. Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 14th to 16th June, 1897.

## NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, June 14, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of prize money awarded for the following captures by Her Majesty's ship "Philomel":—dhow, name unknown, and 22 slaves, captured 8th June, 1896; dhow, name unknown, and three slaves, captured 5th and 6th July, 1896; dhow, name unknown, and four slaves, captured 14th July, 1896; dhow "Dege," captured 23rd July, 1896.

Agents or other persons having any just and legal demand, unliquidated, against the award, are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the Admiralty Division of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice, in order that the same may be examined, taxed, and allowed by that Officer, and paid under the sanction of the Judge of the said Court.

Due notice will be given, by future advertisement in the London Gazette, of the date proposed for the commencement of distribution; and, at the same time, the amount of an individual's share in the respective classes will be announced.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies has, pursuant to s. 77 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1896, by writing under his hand, dated the 7th day of May, 1897, cancelled the Registry of the Castle-ford Lodge of Ancient Shepherds Friendly Society (Register No. 4062), held at the Crimean Tavern, Church-street, Castleford, in the county of York, on the ground that the Society has wilfully, and after notice from a Registrar, violated the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, in respect of the valuation of its assets and liabilities. The Society (subject to the right of appeal given by the said Act) ceases to enjoy the privileges of a registered Society, but without prejudice to any liability incurred by the Society, which may be enforced against it as if such cancelling had not taken place.

E. W. Brabrook, Chief Registrar.