

1353. Also, Light List, Part VI, 1897, No. 230a, page 58; China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1896, page 81.

No. 585.—GULF OF MARTABAN.

Decreased Depths in Southern Approach to Rangoon River.

A RECENT survey by Commander C. F. Oldham, R.N., then in charge of the Marine Survey of British India, has shown, as has been suspected for some time, that the depths between 10 and 20 fathoms, in the Gulf of Martaban, stretch considerably further to the southward than at present shown on the charts.

Amended copies of Admiralty Charts, Nos. 70 (Bay of Bengal); 823 (Koronge Island to White Point); and 833 (Rangoon River and Approaches) can now be obtained from the Admiralty Chart Agents.

No. 586.—SCOTLAND—EAST COAST.

Peterhead—North Harbour and Port Henry closed to Navigation.

THE Harbour Authorities at Peterhead have given notice, that from 27th September, 1897:—

North Harbour and Port Henry are entirely closed to navigation for any class of vessel until further notice, pending harbour improvements.

The red light on the west pier of North Harbour is discontinued, but the green light on the east pier will be exhibited permanently.

By day, a black ball and red flag is shown on the east pier.

Approximate position, lat. $57^{\circ} 30' 25''$ N., long. $1^{\circ} 45' 10''$ W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Peterhead, No. 1438. Also, List of Lights, Part I, 1897, No. 359; North Sea Pilot, Part II, 1895, page 176.

No. 587.—BALTIC—RIGA GULF.

Abro (Abrackan) Island, Leading Lights Established.

THE Russian Government has given notice that the undermentioned leading lights have been established on Abro (Abrackan) Island:—

Abro high light is a fixed white light, elevated 96 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 11 miles between the bearings, S. 27° W., through west, and N. 49° W.

Abro low light is a fixed white light, elevated 70 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles, between the bearings, S. 47° W., through west, and N. 59° W.

The lighthouses are wood structures, painted white, about 690 yards apart, S. 83° W. and N. 83° E. of each other.

Approximate position of Abro high light, lat. $58^{\circ} 8' 50''$ N., long. $22^{\circ} 31' 30''$ E.

[Variation 4° Westerly in 1897.]

GULF OF FINLAND.

Kheggström Shoal Found and Buoyed.

Also, that a rocky shoal of small diameter, and named Kheggström, lies with Renskär Light bearing S. 25° E., distant four cables. A spar buoy with broom turned down marks its northern edge.

Approximate position on Chart No. 2331, lat. $59^{\circ} 56' 30''$ N., long. $24^{\circ} 23' 5''$ E.

[Variation 3° Westerly in 1897.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Baltic Sea, No. 2842b; Gulf of Riga, No. 2373; Gulf of Riga entrance, No. 2263; Port Baltic to Hogland, No. 2246, Barø Sund and Renskär Harbour, No. 2331. Also, List of Lights, Part III, 1897, page 96. Baltic Pilot, Part II, 1896, page 245.

No. 588.—FRANCE—NORTH-WEST COAST.

Chaussée de Sein—Alteration in Ar-Men Rock Light.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners No. 449 of 1897—

The French Government has given further notice that, on 3rd October, 1897, Ar-Men Rock Light will be altered from white occulting to a cata-dioptric group flashing white light, with a period of twenty seconds, thus:—flash a tenth of a second, eclipse four seconds, flash a tenth of a second, eclipse four seconds, flash a tenth of a second, eclipse twelve seconds.

The elevation and visibility of the light will not be changed.

Approximate position, lat. $48^{\circ} 3' N.$, long. $4^{\circ} 59\frac{1}{2}' W.$

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—British Islands to Mediterranean Sea, No. 1; Bay of Biscay, No. 1104; Raz de Sein to Goulven, No. 2643; Ile de Groix to Raz de Sein, No. 2645; Anse de Benodet to Chaussée de Sein, No. 2351. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1897, No. 200; Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1891, page 38; and Hydrographic Notice No. 2 of 1894, relating to that work, page 6.

No. 589.—IRELAND—WEST COAST.

BEREHAVEN.

Castletown Harbour, Sunken Wreck in West Entrance.

INFORMATION has been received from Her Majesty's Coastguard, that the steamer "Denia Troon," lies sunk in the west entrance to Castletown Harbour, and blocks the Channel.

Approximate position, lat. $51^{\circ} 38' 50'' N.$, long. $9^{\circ} 54' 15'' W.$

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Valentia to Cape Clear, No. 2424, Berehaven, No. 1210.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
2nd to 4th October, 1897.

INCOME TAX.

WHEREAS it has become necessary to renew the list of persons to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners appointed to act in the division of Dudstone and King's Barton in the county of Gloucester, as Commissioners for the general purposes of the Acts of Parliament for granting to Her Majesty duties on profits arising from property, professions, trades, and offices: Now we, two of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in pursuance of the powers vested in us in that behalf, do hereby convene a meeting of the Land Tax Commissioners for the county aforesaid, being respectively qualified to act as such Commissioners, to be holden at the Shirehall, Gloucester, on Tuesday, the 9th day of November, 1897, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of choosing fit and proper persons to be Commissioners to supply vacancies amongst the Commissioners for the general purposes of the Income Tax for the division of Dudstone and King's Barton aforesaid.

G. H. Murray.

Edmond H. Wodehouse.

Inland Revenue, Somerset House,
London, October 6, 1897.