Approximate position on Plan No. 1595, lat. 1° 39′ 35″ N., long. 7° 26′ 35″ E.

[Variation 15° Westerly in 1897.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—River Gambia to Cape Lopez, No. 594; Plan of Prince's Island on Sheet No. 386; San Antonio Bay, on Sheet No. 1595. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1897, page 118; and Africa Pilot, Part II, 1893, page 98.

No. 784.—NORTH SEA—DANISH SHORE.

Sunken Wreck Northward of Blaavand Point.

INFORMATION has been received that the Master of the fishing steamer "Schillinghorn" reports that, on 27th November, 1897, when in a position N.E. ½ N., distant 30 miles, from Horns Reef Light-vessel, he observed two broken masts showing about 7 feet above water.

These were probably attached to a sunken wreck.

Approximate position, lat. 56° 1′ N., long. 7° 44′ E.

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1897.]

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—North Sea, Nos. 2339, 2182*b*; Baltic, No. 2842*a*. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, pages 33–35.

No. 785.—NORTH SEA—NETHERLANDS.

Intended Storm Signals.

THE Netherlands Government has given notice, dated 1st December, 1897, that masts, visible from seaward, will be erected at the undermentioned places, for the purpose of showing storm signals:—

1. Delfzijl (N.).
2. Schiermonnikoog (N.).
3. On the sea-dike between Wierum and Noorder Gat (N.).

3*a*. Oostmahorn (N.).

4. Harlingen (N.).

5*a*. Vlieland, near the lighthouse (N). The night signal from this station will not be visible from the northward in order to avoid confusion with Vlieland Light.

5*b*. Vlieland Post Office (N.).

6*a*. Terschelling, westward of Brandaris tower (N.).

6*b*. Terschelling, opposite Oosterend.

7*a*. Ameland, westward of the lighthouse (N.).

7*b*. Ameland, opposite Nes (N.).

8. Eierland.
9. Oude Schild.
10. Koog.
11. Zanddijk.
12. Kamperduin.
13. Egmond aan Zee.
14. Yinuiden (N.).
15. Zandvoort.
16. Stavoren (N.).
17. de Ven (N.).
18. Helder (N.)
19. Nieuwediep (N.).
20. Noordwijk aan Zee (N.).
21. Katwijk aan Zee (N.).
22. Scheveningen (N.).
23. Ter Heyde (N.).
24. Maasluis (N.).
25. Hook of Holland. This signal will only be seen from the eastward (N.).
26. Oostvoorne (N.).
27. Dordrecht (N).
28. Hellevoetsluis (N.).
29. Goedereede (iron beacon) (N.).
30. Ouddorp (N.).
31. Brouwershaven (N.).
32. Noord Schouwen (N.).
33. West Schouwen (N.).
34. Burgsluis (N.).
35. West Kapelle.
36. Vlissengen (Flushing).
37. Nieuwe sluis.

Signals:—

The signals will consist of:—

1. A black ball, which will indicate that a storm is probably approaching from an unknown direction, and vessels should be prepared.
2. A cone, point downwards, indicates a storm from S.W.
3. A cone, point upwards, indicates a storm from N.W.
4. Two cones, points downwards, indicate a storm from S.E.
5. Two cones, points upwards, indicate a storm from N.E.
6. A black flag, indicates that the wind will be strong, and shifting to the right.
7. Two black flags, indicate that the wind will be moderate, and shifting to the left.
8. A red light, shown at night at the stations in the above list marked (N.), will indicate the same as signal 1 (a black ball) by day.

This Notice affects the North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892.

No. 786.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

P. de la Horaine Light Experimentally Exhibited.

THE French Government has given notice that a light is shown experimentally from the beacon erected on P. de la Horaine:—

Horaine Light is a cata-dioptric, group-flashing white light, showing three flashes in quick succession in each group, at intervals of eight to thirteen seconds, the period occupied by the groups of flashes being equal to the eclipse between the groups.

It is elevated 31 feet above high water, illuminating power 60 becs Carcel (600 candles), and visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles.

The light is shown from Horaine Beacon, an octagonal pyramid, with a shelter at high water mark and a platform 26 feet above; the lantern, the top of which is 38 feet above high water, is on the platform.

Approximate position, lat. 48° 53′ 30′ N., long. 2° 55′ 15″ W.

Further notice will be given when the date of the permanent exhibition of the light is known.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—English Channel, Nos. 1598, 2675*b*; France, North Coast, Sheet IX, No. 2669*b*. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1897, page 34; and Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 62.

No. 787.—BAY OF BISCAY.

Floating Wreckage Between Cape Finisterre and Ushant.

INFORMATION has been received from the Commander-in-Chief at the Nore that Captain Angus MacLeod, Her Majesty's ship "Jupiter," reports having passed on 10th December, 1897, in lat. 46° 0′ N., long. 7° 36′ W., a spar projecting about 8 feet above water, with crosstrees attached.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—British Islands to Mediterranean Sea, No. 1; Bay of Biscay, No. 1104. Also, Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1891, pages 15–18.

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
15th to 17th December, 1897.