

No. 784.—FRANCE—DUNKERQUE.

East Pier—Light.

THE French Government has given notice, dated 16th November, 1898, that the old East Pier having been demolished, the red fixed light shown from its extremity has been discontinued. Also, that a new red fixed unwatched light of $1\frac{5}{16}$ becs Carcel = 16 candles, elevated 36 feet above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 4 miles, is exhibited from the extremity of the new East Pier, Dunkerque.

It is shown from an iron cylindrical turret, painted yellow, 26 feet high.

Approximate position, lat. $51^{\circ} 3' 25''$ N., long. $2^{\circ} 21' 40''$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Dunkerque Road, No. 1352. Also, List of Lights, Part II, 1898, No. 10; Part IV, 1898, No. 7; Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 615; North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, page 71.

[No. 785.—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

Outer Ruytingen—North-East Buoy, Character Altered.

THE French Government has given notice, dated 18th November, 1898, that the black spherical buoy marking the north-east end of the Outer Ruytingen has been replaced by a black spar buoy surmounted by a cylindrical top-mark bearing the words "No. 3" on it.

Approximate position, lat. $51^{\circ} 12' 10''$ N., long. $2^{\circ} 9' 35''$ E

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Calais to River Schelde entrance, No. 1872. Also, Channel Pilot, Part II, 1897, page 589; and North Sea Pilot, Part IV, 1892, page 43.

By command of their Lordships,
W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
22nd to 23rd December, 1898.

Registration of Births and Deaths.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of the provisions of the twenty-first section of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "The Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1874," I, Sir Brydges Powell Henniker, Bart., Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England, have, with the sanction of the Local Government Board, ordered and declared that on and after the first day of January next, Bedminster Sub-District of Bedminster Registration District, as reduced by the operation of the Bristol Corporation Act, 1897, and consisting of that part of Bedminster Without Civil Parish known as Bishopsworth, shall be added to Long Ashton Sub-District of the same Registration District.—Witness my hand this 24th day of December, 1898.

Brydges P. Henniker, Registrar-General.
General Register Office,
Somerset House, London.

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, Imperial Measure*, as received from the Inspectors and Officers of Excise in the Week ended 24th December, 1898, conformably with the Act of the 45th and 46th Victoria, cap. 37.

| | QUANTITIES SOLD. | | AVERAGE PRICE. | |
|---------------|------------------|------|----------------|----|
| | Qrs. | Bus. | s. | d. |
| Wheat | 61,583 | 4 | 26 | 9 |
| Barley | 132,590 | 4 | 28 | 6 |
| Oats... .. | 22,148 | 7 | 17 | 0 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1894 to 1897.

| Corresponding Week in | QUANTITIES SOLD. | | | | | | AVERAGE PRICE. | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|------|---------|------|--------|------|----------------|----|---------|----|-------|----|
| | WHEAT. | | BARLEY. | | OATS. | | WHEAT. | | BARLEY. | | OATS. | |
| | Qrs. | Bus. | Qrs. | Bus. | Qrs. | Bus. | s. | d. | s. | d. | s. | d. |
| 1894 | 85,379 | 3 | 94,629 | 0 | 14,673 | 7 | 20 | 5 | 20 | 10 | 13 | 9 |
| 1895 | 24,377 | 0 | 103,556 | 4 | 16,168 | 5 | 25 | 0 | 23 | 11 | 13 | 10 |
| 1896 | 41,672 | 7 | 84,230 | 3 | 11,945 | 1 | 30 | 9 | 24 | 1 | 16 | 1 |
| 1897 | 54,230 | 1 | 127,208 | 2 | 15,477 | 2 | 34 | 4 | 26 | 11 | 17 | 0 |

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, provides that where returns of purchases of British Corn are made to the local inspector of Corn Returns in any other measure than the imperial bushel or by weight or by a weighed measure that officer shall convert such returns into the imperial bushel, and in the case of weight or weighed measure the conversion is to be made at the rate of sixty imperial pounds for every bushel of wheat, fifty imperial pounds for every bushel of barley, and thirty-nine imperial pounds for every bushel of oats.

Board of Agriculture, 4, Whitehall-place, London, S.W.,
December 24, 1898.

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