

Bernardino and Mindoro Straits, No. 2577. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1903, No. 590a; and Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1904, page 255.

No. 7.—RED SEA—EGYPT, SUEZ BAY.

Kal ah Kebireh—Lights Established on Beacons.

With reference to Notices to Mariners Nos. 509 and 828 of 1903:—

The Egyptian Government has given further notice that, on 1st January, 1904, lights will be established on the North and South Kal ah Kebireh Beacons, referred to in Notice to Mariners No. 828 as follows:—

NORTH BEACON, on the northern $1\frac{1}{2}$ fathom patch, will show two fixed lights, red over white, placed vertically.

SOUTH BEACON, in a position two and a half cables S. 16° E. from the existing Kal ah Kebireh Beacon, will show two red fixed lights placed vertically.

The **WEST BEACON**, on the western rock, 4 cables N. 59° W. from the existing Kal ah Kebireh Beacon, which will eventually show two white fixed lights placed vertically, has not yet been completed.

The positions of the above beacons are approximate.

Approximate position, lat. $29^{\circ} 54\frac{3}{4}'$ N., long. $32^{\circ} 31\frac{3}{4}'$ E.

[Variation 4° Westerly in 1904.]

Further notice will be given when the Western Beacon is finished and the lights established.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Gulf of Suez, No. 757; Suez Bay, No. 734. Also, List of Lights, 1903, Part V, No. 1340, Part VI, No. 165; and Red Sea and Gulf of Aden Pilot, 1902, page 89.

No. 8.—ITALY, WEST COAST—POZZUOLI BAY.

Cape Miseno Light—Temporarily Altered.

The Italian Government has given notice, that after 23rd December, 1903, whilst repairs are in progress to the rotatory apparatus, the fixed and flashing light on Cape Miseno would show white fixed until further notice.

Approximate position, lat. $40^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $14^{\circ} 5\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Gulf of Naples, No. 1728. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1903, No. 420; and Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. II, 1895, page 252.

No. 9.—UNITED STATES, ATLANTIC COAST —MASSACHUSETTS.

Stellwagen Bank—Decreased Depth on.

The United States Government has given notice, dated 12th December, 1903, that two soundings of $6\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, coarse yellow sand bottom, have been obtained on Stellwagen Bank, Cape Cod Bay Approach, the first of the two being situated about $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles N. 6° W. from Race Point Light,

the second about one mile N. 54° W. from the first.

Approximate position, first sounding, lat. $42^{\circ} 11\frac{1}{4}'$ N., long. $70^{\circ} 18\frac{1}{4}'$ W.

[Variation 13° Westerly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bay of Fundy to Block Island, No. 2492; Fletcher's Neck to Cape Cod, No. 2482. Also, Sailing Directions for the East Coast of the United States, 1899, page 259.

No. 10.—CHINA SEA, PALAWAN (PARAGUA) ISLAND—EAST COAST.

Flat Island—Shoal Reported Southward of.

The Government of the Philippine Islands has given notice, dated 30th October, 1903, that a shoal, with a depth of 4 fathoms over it, is reported to exist at a distance of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. 7° W. from the south-east point of Flat or Rasa Island. This shoal, which is half a mile in extent in a north-easterly and south-westerly direction, is surrounded by a depth of over 10 fathoms. It is possible that it may be connected to the 7-fathom patch $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the northward of it.

Approximate position, lat. $9^{\circ} 9'$ N., long. $118^{\circ} 25\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

[Variation 1° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, No. 2660b; Palawan Island, No. 967. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1899, page 269; and Supplement, 1901, page 8.

No. 11.—BORNEO, NORTH-WEST COAST.

Mantanani Islands—Shoal North-Eastward of.

The German Government has given notice that the captain of the North German Lloyd Company's steamship "Tringgannu" reports that, on 7th March, 1903, his vessel struck and sustained considerable damage on a shoal north-eastward of the Mantanani Islands in a position from which the south-east point of Tree Island bore S. 39° W., distant $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles, and Nob Island S. 71° W.

Approximate position, lat. $6^{\circ} 42\frac{3}{4}'$ N., long. $116^{\circ} 23\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

As neither the vessel's draught nor any depth is given, this position is shown on the Charts by a danger line and marked "Shoal 1903."

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1904.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Palawan Island, No. 967; Gaya Bay to Sandakan Harbour, No. 287; Ambong Bay to Sampan Mango, No. 2112. Also, China Sea Directory, Vol. II, 1899, page 179.

No. 12.—BRAZIL—EAST COAST.

Parahyba River Entrance—Rock, Buoyage Altered.

Information, dated 10th December, 1903, has been received of the existence of a rock, named Pedra Nova, in the entrance to Parahyba River, situated with Pedra Secca Light bearing S. 22° E., distant $9\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and Cabedello Fort Flagstaff S. 35° W., distant $15\frac{1}{2}$ cables; this rock,