

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 805 to 821 of the year 1906.)

[The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.]

No. 805.—SOUTH PACIFIC—NEW CALEDONIA.

Port Noumea Approach—Beacon Disappeared.

Information, dated 7th June, 1906, has been received from Commander M. Woollcombe, His Majesty's Ship Prometheus, that the iron beacon on the westernmost of the Four Northern Banks, Port Noumea Approach, formerly situated about $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. 40° E. from Port Noumea flagstaff, has disappeared.

Approximate position of flagstaff, lat. $22^\circ 16\frac{1}{2}'$ S., long. $166^\circ 26\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

[Variation 10° Easterly in 1906.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Uen Island to St. Vincent Bay, No. 2907; Approaches to Port Noumea, No. 2069. Also, Pacific Islands, Vol. II, 1900, page 310.

No. 806.—ALASKA—PERIL STRAIT.

Fairway Island Light—Red Sector.

With reference to Notices to Mariners, No. 955 of 1904:—

The United States Government has given notice that on or about 15th August, 1906, the lantern light on the north-east point of Fairway Island, in the eastern entrance to Peril Strait, will be altered to show red fixed over Morris Reef, from the bearing of S. 3° E., through south, to S. 30° W., and white in other directions, except when obscured by the island. In other respects the light will remain as before.

Approximate position, lat. $57^\circ 26\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $134^\circ 51\frac{1}{2}'$ W.

[Variation 29° Easterly in 1906.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Port McArthur to Windham Bay, No. 2463. Also, List of Lights, Part VII, 1906, No. 513; and Sailing Directions for Behring Sea and Alaska, 1898, page 110.

No. 807.—BALTIC—LITTLE BELT.

Helnaes—Decreased Depth on Shoal Westward of.

Information has been received, dated 14th July, 1906, that the depth on the shoal, situated at a distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N. 70° W. from Helnaes Lighthouse, is $3\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, and not $4\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms as shown on the charts.

Approximate position, lat. $55^\circ 8\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $9^\circ 54\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

[Variation 11° Westerly in 1906.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Baltic, No. 2842a; Little Belt, No. 2116. Also, Baltic Pilot, Part I, 1904, page 426.

No. 808.—MEDITERRANEAN, TUNIS—GULF OF HAMMAMET.

Susa, and Kelibia Approaches—Tunny Fisheries Established.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 118 of 1903:—

The French Government has given notice,

dated 4th July, 1906, that tunny fisheries have been established, with nets extending from the undermentioned places, off the coast of Tunis:—

a. Susa Approach. The nets extend in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 11 cables from Ras Marsa, but there is a passage for small craft about 4 cables wide between the shore end of the nets and the coast.

Approximate position, Ras Marsa, lat. $35^\circ 53\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $10^\circ 36\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

b. Kelibia Approach. The nets extend in a north-easterly direction for a distance of about 11 cables from the shore abreast Sedi Selim Marabout (180 feet hill).

Approximate position, Sedi Selim Marabout, lat. $36^\circ 46\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $11^\circ 0\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

The limits of these fisheries are marked in accordance with the uniform system described in Mediterranean Pilot, Part I, page 63.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Susa to Mahedia, No. 250; Fratelli Rocks to Mahedia, No. 1159. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1904, pages 383, 380.

No. 809.—MEDITERRANEAN—CYPRUS.

Famagusta Harbour—Positions of Lights and Buoys.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 609 of 1906:—

Further information from the Engineers in charge of the Harbour Works at Famagusta has been received, that the positions of the undermentioned lights and buoys marking the fairway through the dredged channel into Famagusta Harbour, to be established probably in July, will be as follows:—

LIGHTS.

1. A fixed light, visible from a distance of 10 miles, showing red from the bearing of N. 66° W., through west, to S. 38° W., and white from S. 38° W. to South, will be exhibited from a lighthouse, now in course of construction, in a position situated at a distance of $13\frac{6}{10}$ cables N. 25° W., from Cavalier Flagstaff.

Approximate position, lat. $35^\circ 7\frac{3}{4}'$ N., long. $33^\circ 56\frac{1}{4}'$ E.

It is proposed to move the outer black and white beacon about three-quarters of a cable N. 24° W. from its present position.

2. A red fixed light of the 6th order, elevated about 30 feet above the sea, and visible from a distance of 5 miles, will be established on each jetty head on either side of the entrance to the harbour, situated respectively at distances of 5 cables N. 35° E. and $5\frac{1}{4}$ cables N. 36° E. from Cavalier Flagstaff.

It is presumed that the red fixed light at present shown on the western mole will be discontinued.

3. A white fixed light, elevated 70 feet above the sea, and visible from a distance of 8 miles, will be established on the south-east bastion, situated at a distance of $4\frac{1}{4}$ cables N. 80° E. from Cavalier Flagstaff.

The above lights (2) and (3) will be visible over the fairway only.

BUOYS.

a. A bell-buoy will be established in a depth of 7 fathoms off the northern end of the shoals extending northward from Messanisi Island, in a position from which the outer and northern light will bear S. 38° W., distant $9\frac{1}{2}$ cables. This position is at present marked by a temporary buoy.

b. A red can buoy surmounted by a staff and