

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 60 to 85 of the year 1907.)

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

No. 60.—SPAIN—NORTH COAST.

Ria de Tina Mayor—Entrance Silted Up.

The Spanish Government has given notice dated 27th December, 1906, that as a result of freshets of the River Deva, the depth in the entrance to Ria de Tina Mayor as far as Puerto Chico has decreased, so that there is now only a depth of $7\frac{1}{4}$ feet at high water in this locality.

Approximate position, lat. $43^{\circ} 25' N.$, long. $4^{\circ} 32' W.$

NOTE.—From the above information it would appear that the entrance to this river must dry at low water. "Dries in patches" has therefore been noted on the chart.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Plan of Ria de Tina Mayor on Chart No. 725. Also, Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, Spain, and Portugal, 1900, page 334.

No. 61.—JAPAN—NORTH-WEST COAST, HONSHU.

Nanao, North Harbour—Shoals in.

The Japanese Government has given notice, dated 16th November, 1906, of the existence of a shoal, named Shineguri, with a least depth of $2\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms over it, in Nanao, North Harbour, situated in a position from which Ao Shima bears $S. 72^{\circ} W.$, distant $4\frac{6}{10}$ cables, and the point westward from Torimura $S. 11^{\circ} E.$

Approximate position, lat. $37^{\circ} 9' N.$, long. $136^{\circ} 53\frac{1}{4}' E.$

Also, that the least depth on the shoal, now known as Sarasara Se, situated $3\frac{1}{10}$ cables $N. 53^{\circ} E.$ from Ao Shima, is 2 feet, and not $1\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms as shown on the Chart.

[Variation 5° Westerly in 1907.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Noto Peninsula, No. 2243; Nanao Harbours, No. 205. Also, Sailing Directions for Japan, &c., 1904, page 660; and Supplement, 1906, page 46.

No. 62.—EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO, JAVA—BALI STRAIT.

Balambangan Peninsula, South Point—Light Established.

With reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 517 of 1906:—

The Netherlands Government has given further notice, dated 31st December, 1906, that a white flashing light showing one very short flash every five seconds, elevated 253 feet above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 22 miles from the bearing of $S. 76^{\circ} W.$, through west and north, to $S. 77^{\circ} E.$, has been established in an iron framework support, 69 feet high, and painted white, erected on the south coast of Balambangan Peninsula. The light is of the 4th order and produced by acetylene gas.

Approximate position, lat. $8^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{4}' S.$, long. $114^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{2}' E.$

The above light has been placed on the chart on Bantenam Point and marked position approximate.

[Variation 2° Easterly in 1907.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Australia, northern portion, No. 2759a; Eastern Archipelago, No. 941b; Java Island, No. 1654; Plan of Bali Strait on Chart No. 934. Also, List of Lights, Part VI, 1906, page 87; and Eastern Archipelago, Part II, 1904, page 191.

No. 63.—ENGLAND—RIVER MEDWAY.

Chatham—Additional Moorings Intended.

Information, dated 22nd December, 1906, has been received from the Commander-in-Chief at the Nore, that it is intended to establish moorings, for His Majesty's Yacht Undine off the eastern entrance to No. 3 Basin, Chatham Dockyard. These moorings will be situated at a distance of about 1,000 feet $N. 35^{\circ} E.$ from the dolphin on the northern side of the entrance to the north lock, and the Undine will be moored head and stern immediately above the Champion.

A light will be placed on the mooring buoy when the yacht is absent at night.

Approximate position, lat $51^{\circ} 24' N.$, long. $0^{\circ} 33\frac{1}{2}' E.$

[Variation 15° Westerly in 1907.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—River Medway, No. 3021. Also, North Sea Pilot, Part III, 1905, page 397.

No. 64.—MEDITERRANEAN—SARDINIA, SOUTH COAST.

Palmas Bay—Wreck in Entrance.

The Italian Government has given notice, dated 14th December, 1906, that the wreck of the brigantine Versilia, with one mast 6 feet above water, lies sunk in Palmas Bay, at a distance of about $3\frac{8}{10}$ cables $N. 75^{\circ} E.$ from the beacon on Canai Rock (Secca della Vacea).

Approximate position, lat $38^{\circ} 57\frac{1}{4}' N.$, long. $8^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{2}' E.$

[Variation 10° Westerly in 1907.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Palmas Bay, No. 106. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. I, 1904, page 585.

No. 65.—GRECIAN ARCHIPELAGO—IONIAN SEA.

Ghero-Ghombo, Kaufkalida, and Antipaxo—Lights Established.

The Hellenic Government has given notice, dated 23rd December, 1906, that the under-mentioned lights would be established on 28th December in the Ionian Sea:—

1. Cape Ghero-Ghombo.—A group flashing dioptric light, showing white and red flashes alternately every ten seconds, would be established in a square masonry tower, with dwelling attached, erected on this cape; it would be elevated 164 feet above the sea, and 51 feet above the ground; the white flashes and red