

Name.	Country.	Date of taking Oath of Allegiance.	Place of Residence.
*Samuel, Max	Russia ..	28th January, 1908..	Portsmouth, H.M.S. "Fisgard"
*Scheblenz, Paul ..	Germany ..	13th January, 1908..	Newcastle-on-Tyne, 9, Custom House-buildings, Quay Side
Shibko, Abraham Joseph	Russia ..	24th January, 1908..	Kingston-upon-Hull, 17, Can-lane
Vigodsky, Hyman ..	Russia ..	14th January, 1908..	Kingston-upon-Hull, 313, Hesse-road
Wieser, Johann Theodor (known as Fred Bale and Fred Laurel)	Germany ..	8th January, 1908 ..	London, 48, Aigburth-mansions, Hackford-road, Brixton
Youngerwood, Raphael..	Austria ..	6th January, 1908 ..	London, 15, Circus-road, St. John's Wood

* Serving in a British Ship.

Home Office, Whitehall, February 4, 1908.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 167 to 174 of the year 1908.)

[The Astronomical positions are approximate unless otherwise stated. The bearings are Magnetic and those relating to lights are given from seaward. The visibility of lights is that in clear weather. Fog signals are sounded during thick or foggy weather unless otherwise stated. The depths are given at low-water ordinary springs. The heights are given above high water.]

No. 167.—UNITED STATES, PACIFIC COAST—WASHINGTON, JUAN DE FUCA STRAIT APPROACH.

Umatilla Light-Vessel—Submarine Fog Bell.

Particulars.—On or about February 15th, 1908, a submarine fog bell will be sounded (in addition to the usual fog-signals) on board the Umatilla Relief Light-Vessel, which has temporarily replaced the permanent light-vessel, in such a manner as to indicate the number 67, thus:—Six strokes; silent interval, three seconds; seven strokes; silent interval, five seconds.

Position.—Lat. 48° 10' N., long. 124° 51' W.

Remarks.—When the permanent Light-vessel No. 67 is replaced in position, the submarine bell on board will be sounded in a similar manner.

Charts affected.—No. 1911, Juan de Fuca Strait; No. 1917, Vancouver Island; No. 2531, Cape Mendocino to Vancouver Island.

Publications.—List of Lights, Part VII, 1907, No. 390; Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of Central America, &c., 1907, page 515.

Authority.—United States Commerce Notice, No. 107, 1908.

No. 168.—EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO—ARU ISLANDS.

Wokam Island—Reef off West Coast of.

Particulars.—A reef about 2 miles in extent and connected with the shore exists off the west coast of Wokam Island, Aru Islands.

Depth and Position.—The western edge, on

which there is a depth of 3 fathoms, is situated with Taordefete Point bearing N. 75° E., distant 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and eastern point of Wammer Island N. 4° W. on Chart No. 470; lat. 5° 55' N., long. 134° 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' E.

Variation.—3° E.

Chart affected.—No. 470, Aru Islands.

Publication.—Eastern Archipelago, Part I, 1902, page 478.

Authority.—Hague Notice, No. 133, 1908.

No. 169.—CHINA SEA, SUMATRA—EAST COAST, SINGKEP ISLAND.

Serak Island—Pinnacle Rock Eastward of.

Particulars.—A pinnacle rock exists about 6 cables to the eastward of the southern end of Serak Island, off the west coast of Singkep Island.

Position.—Lat. 0° 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' S., long. 104° 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' E.

Depth.—8 feet.

Remarks.—It has been placed on the chart as a rock with less than 6 feet over it.

Chart affected.—No. 1789, Channels between Sumatra, Linga, and Singkep.

Publication.—China Sea Directory, Vol. I, 1906, page 632.

Authority.—Hague Notice, No. 132, 1908.

No. 170.—UNITED STATES, FLORIDA—GULF OF MEXICO.

Cape San Blas Light—Alterations in Character of.

Particulars.—On or about 1st February, 1908, the present light at Cape San Blas (white fixed with red flash) will be replaced by a provisional white fixed lantern light. On or about the 1st March, this provisional light will be replaced by a permanent light of the undermentioned description.

Position.—Lat. 29° 40' N., long. 85° 21' W.