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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 650 to 660 of the year 1898.)

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

No. 650.—BLACK SEA.

Utrish Point—Light Exhibited.

THE Russian Government has given notice, dated 28th September, 1898, that an alternating light not constantly watched has been established on Utrish Point, Caucasian coast.

Utrish Point Light shows red and white alternately in quick succession; it is elevated 49 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of six miles between the bearings of S. 14° E., through east and north, to N. 53° W.

It is shown from a wooden trestle 11 feet high, situated on the extremity of the point.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 45' 30" N., long. 37° 24' 10" E.

[Variation nil in 1898.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—The Euxine or Black Sea, No. 2214; Anakria Fort to Kertch Strait, No. 2235; Plan of Utrish Point on Sheet, No. 2210. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1898, page 208; and Sailing Directions for the Dardanelles, &c., 1893, page 296; and Supplement, 1897, relating to that work, page 20.

No. 651.—BLACK SEA—KRIMEA.

Alushta, Sudak—Lights Intended.

THE Russian Government has given notice, dated 24th September, 1898, that it is intended shortly to exhibit alternating lights not constantly watched at Alushta and Sudak, south-east coast of Krimea.

Alushta Light will show white and red alternately in quick succession; it is elevated 46 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 6 miles between the bearings of S. 41° W., through west and north, to N. 17° E., being obscured by the land in other directions.

It is shown from a wooden trestle 6 feet high.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 40' 0" N., long. 34° 25' 25" E.

Sudak Light will show white and green alternately in quick succession; it is elevated 41 feet above the sea, and visible in clear weather, white light 6 miles, green light 3 miles, between the bearings of N. 43° W., through north, to N. 62° E., being obscured by the land in other directions.

It is shown from a wooden trestle 10 feet high.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 49' 30" N., long. 34° 59' 30" E.

The exact position of these lights as regards the land is not given.

[Variation 1° Westerly in 1898.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—The Euxine or Black Sea, No. 2214;

Sevastopol to Kertch Strait, No. 2233; Plan of Alushta on Sheet No. 2221. Also, List of Lights, Part V, 1898, page 204; and Sailing Directions for the Dardanelles, &c., 1893, page 254.

No. 652.—FRANCE.

Gironde River Entrance—Experimental Gas Buoy.

THE French Government has given notice, dated 15th October, 1898, that an experimental gas buoy, painted red and showing a white light elevated 13 feet above the sea, visible in clear weather from a distance of 8 miles, has been temporarily moored on the southern limit (S. 64° E.) of the sector of white fixed light shown from the auxiliary light, Coubre Point, Gironde River.

Approximate position, lat. 45° 42' 22" N., long. 1° 21' 15" W.

[Variation 15½° Westerly in 1898.]

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Entrance to Gironde River, No. 2910. Also, Sailing Directions for West Coasts of France, &c., 1891, page 127; and Hydrographic Notice, No. 2 of 1894, relating to that work, page 12.

No. 653.—MEXICO—VERA CRUZ.

Sacrificios Island—Wreck Southward of.

THE United States Government has given notice, dated 15th October, 1898, that the wreck of a brigantine, with topsail yards above water, lies sunk mid-channel between Sacrificios Island and the mainland.

This wreck has been placed on the Charts with Sacrificios Lighthouse bearing N.E., distant 3½ cables, and north extreme of Hornos Point N.W. by W.

Approximate position, lat. 19° 9' 45" N., long. 96° 5' 50" W.

[Variation 7° Easterly in 1898.]

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Approaches to Vera Cruz, No. 2854; Port of Vera Cruz, No. 523. Also, West India Pilot, Vol. I, 1893, page 484; and Hydrographic Notice No. 2 of 1896, relating to that work, page 28.

No. 654.—SPAIN.

Cape Ortegal—Derelict North-Westward of.

INFORMATION has been published in the Shipping Gazette that the Master of the steamship "Maiorese" reports having passed, on 18th October, 1898, a derelict vessel almost awash about 35 miles north-westward of Cape Ortegal, lying in the track of vessels between England and the Mediterranean.

Approximate position, lat. 44° 3½' N., long. 8° 36' W.

No. 655.—FRANCE—LOIRE RIVER.

Commercial Tower—Light Discontinued.

THE French Government has given notice that on and after 1st November, 1898, the light (white fixed and flashing every two minutes) shown from Commercial Tower, Loire River Entrance, will be discontinued, but that the cylindrical white tower of the lighthouse will be retained as a landmark.

Approximate position, lat. 47° 15' 30" N., long. 2° 14' 55" W.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Bourgneuf to I. de Groix, No. 2646; Entrance to Loire River, No. 2989. Also, List of Lights, Part IV, 1898, No. 338; and Sailing Directions for the West Coasts of France, &c., 1891, page 93.