

Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 23rd day of October, 1865, on packets consisting of printed British newspapers, and on packets consisting of printed papers other than British newspapers, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Sweden or Norway, and transmitted by the post from any part of the United Kingdom to any place in Sweden or Norway as therein mentioned, together with the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions therein contained, so far as they relate to or affect such packets respectively, are hereby repealed, revoked, and annulled.

16. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands, duly made at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, or conditions in lieu thereof, and may from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

17. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the seventeenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

W. P. Adam.

E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and were made chargeable and payable upon, for, and in respect of letters, newspapers, Parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post; and by the same Act power was given to the Postmaster-General to charge such higher rates of postage on certain letters, newspapers, and other printed papers therein mentioned, as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, should from time to time deem expedient, and also to remit any of the rates of British postage or inland postage for the time being payable by law on the transmission of post letters, newspapers, or other printed papers, to such extent as the Lords of the Treasury should from time to time direct; and by the same Act power was also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters, or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An

Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office."

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said before-recited Acts, or one of them, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, have, from time to time, by divers Warrants in writing under their hands, made and issued certain regulations, orders, directions, and conditions relating to the rates of postage and the mode and time of payment thereof, and to the weight, size, and dimensions, and the mode and time of sending, under and subject to, and in conformity with which the several packets, consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, and the several other packets therein, or in some or one of the said Warrants respectively mentioned, may respectively be transmitted by the post; and it is expedient to make such further regulations with regard to certain of the said packets as are hereinafter mentioned and contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore-recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners (by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided), order, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. In all cases where any packet, consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, or consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the colonial legislatures, or consisting of printed papers other than newspapers, may be transmitted by the post under the authority of any Warrant or Warrants of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury now in force, and any such packet shall be posted without any postage having been paid thereon, in the mode required by any such Warrant or Warrants, or shall be posted with a postage paid thereon, in the mode required by any such Warrant or Warrants, which shall be less in amount than the rate or rates of postage payable thereupon under any such Warrant or Warrants respectively, every such respective packet shall and may be detained and opened, and, at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or to the person to whom it shall be addressed or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and every such packet on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall be chargeable with any rate or amount of postage which the Postmaster-General shall think proper, not exceeding the rate or amount of postage to which such packet would have been liable as a letter, nor less than the rate of postage which such packet would have been chargeable with, if the postage thereof had been properly paid when posted.

2. The term "by the post," used in this Warrant, shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as the like term used in the said recited Acts.

3. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands, duly made at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke the orders, regulations, and directions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, regulations, orders, directions, and conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

4. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

W. P. Adam.
E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen.

Whitehall, December 19, 1865.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed James William Frederick Siddall, of Waltham Abbey, in the county of Essex, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 11).—EAST INDIES.—STRAIT OF MALACCA.

Buoys on the One Fathom Bank.

THE Government of Singapore has given notice, that four buoys have been placed near the One Fathom Bank in the Strait of Malacca; two of which are moored near the eastern end of the bank in 6 fathoms at low water; one off the southern end in 6 fathoms; and another at the western edge of the bank.

Parcela Hill bearing east leads to the southward of the bank, and E.S.E. to the northward. Pulo Anza bearing N.E. leads to the westward, and N.E. by N. to the eastward. Vessels bound up or down the strait should pass southward and westward of buoys and light vessels, so as to clear the 2 fathom bank, off which the southern buoy is moored.

[All bearings are magnetic. Variation $1^{\circ} 35'$ East in 1865].

By command of their Lordships,
Geo. Henry Richards, Hydrographer
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
12th March, 1866.

This Notice affects the Admiralty Chart:—
Strait of Malacca, Sheet 2, No. 1355.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 12).—PACIFIC OCEAN.—NEW CALEDONIA.

Fixed Light on Amédée Islet, near Port-de-France.

THE Governor of New Caledonia has given notice that a light has been established on Amédée Islet, near Bulari passages, through the barrier reef, leading to Port-de-France, on the south-west coast of New Caledonia.

The light is a *fixed* white light, at an elevation of 164 feet above the mean level of the sea, and in clear weather—the eye being 15 feet above the sea—should be seen from a distance of about 20 miles.

The illuminating apparatus is dioptric or by lenses, of the first order.

The tower is iron, round, white, 147 feet high from base to vane, and stands in lat $22^{\circ} 28' 44''$ S., long. $166^{\circ} 27' 39''$ East of Greenwich, or about $1' 40''$ west of that of the Admiralty chart.

Directions.—Amédée islet is sandy, covered with brushwood, and lies within the reef which surrounds New Caledonia; the lighthouse on it

serves as a mark for the entrance to the Bulari passages southward of Port-de-France. The north passage is about 4 cables in breadth, and 2 miles S.W. $\frac{2}{3}$ S. from the lighthouse. To go in by this passage, steer with the lighthouse bearing N.E. $\frac{2}{3}$ N., giving a berth to the point of the great reef, which leave to port; then steer to the northward, passing at the distance of a cable, east or west, of the reef awash at a mile north of the entrance, until the middle of the woody islet of Maître bears west; when steer to the N.W. to pass between it and the small woody islet of Mando (île aux Canards). When in the middle of the channel between these two islets, steer for the north extremity of Brun islet, leaving it on the starboard hand on entering Port-de-France.

The light is seen all round the horizon, but as the general trend of the barrier reefs fronting the south-west coast of New Caledonia assumes a N.W. by W. and S.E. by E. direction, a vessel should be careful to approach the light between the bearings of N. by E. and E.N.E. A vessel, in fine weather, making the light to the N.E., will be 18 miles from that part of the barrier near the lighthouse, and about 16 miles from the nearest part, and will lessen the distance as the light is brought to bear northward or eastward of the above bearing.

[All bearings are magnetic. Variation $10^{\circ} 45'$ East in 1866.]

By command of their Lordships,
Geo. Henry Richards, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
14th March, 1866.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—New Caledonia, South Coast, No. 2907; New Caledonia, No. 2857; Pacific Ocean, Sheet 6, No. 2464. Also, Australia Lights List, No. 212.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 13).—COAST OF PORTUGAL.

Provisional Light at entrance to the River Douro.

THE Portuguese Government has given notice, that the lighthouse of Nossa Senhora da Luz, at the entrance to the river Douro, is about to be replaced by another, a description of which will shortly be given; and that in the meantime, from the 11th day of March, 1866, until further notice, a provisional white light will be exhibited from the same tower, visible in clear weather from a distance of 8 miles.

By command of their Lordships,
Geo. Henry Richards, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
14th March, 1866.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Spain, North and West Coasts, No. 2728; Cape Finisterre to Cape St. Mary, No. 87; and Douro River, No. 88. Also, Portuguese Lights List, No. 286.

TO all to whom these presents shall come, we the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England send greeting: Whereas it has been made to appear to us that certain tithes or rent charges in lieu thereof arising within the district chapelry of Brierley Hill, in the county of Stafford, and in the diocese of Lichfield, belong to the Incumbent of the church of such district chapelry; Now we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of "The District Church Tithes Act, 1865," do hereby declare that