Notice to Mariners No. 80 of 1915.

KARAMEA.-LIGHT AND DIRECTIONS.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 28th September, 1915.

OTICE is hereby given that on and after Monday
11th October. 1915, the part light of Marine Department, 1 11th October, 1915, the port light at Karamea will only be lighted when a steamer is due to arrive. The training-wall has been extended 160 ft., and a channel is now making

only slightly to the northward of the end of the training-wall.

The Harbourmaster's instructions now are to enter on the red beacon till the wharf lights on the Government wharf are in line; they will lead to the end of the training wall; steer along the wall for 200 ft., then cross over into the line of Government wharf lights if going to that wharf, or along wall to Stratford's wharf.

The spit west of the end of the wharf is plainly visible at

high water, and the wall is a guide to the east.

Strangers should not enter at night, as the beacons and

lights are changed frequently.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Charts Nos. 2616 and 1212; "New Zealand Pilot," eighth edition, 1908, Chapter x, page 330.

GEORGE ALLPORT,

Secretary.

# Notice to Mariners No. 81 of 1915.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 29th September, 1915.

THE following Notices to Mariners, which have been received from the Department of Ports and Harbours, Melbourne; the Hydrographic Office, Washington; and the Hydrographic Office, London, are published for general information information.

GEORGE ALLPORT,

Secretary.

# CHINA SEA.—PARACEL ISLANDS.

North Reef.—Reported to lie further North-westward than charted.

Position on charts.—Western extreme, lat.  $17^{\circ} 2\frac{1}{2}'$  N., long.  $111^{\circ} 29^{\circ}$  E.

Details.—North Reef, the north-western danger of the Paracels, is reported to lie  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles further to the north-westward than charted, and a note to this effect, with date "(1915)," is to be placed on the charts against this roof "(1915)," is to be placed on the charts against this reef.

Charts affected.—No. 94, Paracel Islands; No. 2661A,

China Sea, northern portion, western sheet.

Publication.—China Sea Pilot, Vol. III, 1912, page 112.

# PANAMA.

GULF OF PANAMA.—CAPE MALA.—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.—The master of the British steamer "Strathairly" reports that a light has been established on Cape Mala, having the characteristic mentioned in Notice to Mariners No. 20 (1326) of

Approx. position: Lat. 7° 27′ 30″ N., long. 79° 59′ 30″ W. (H.O. Document No. 110748–47.)

UNITED STATES NAVAL RADIO SERVICE.

Time-signal discontinued.—The 10 p.m. time-signal at Key West, Florida; has been discontinued.
H.O. Chart No. 2180.
H.O. Publication No. 87, International Code of Signals,

1914, page 512.

# WASHINGTON.

PUGET SOUND.—PORT TOWNSEND.—LIGHTS ESTABLISHED.

On 2nd August, 1915, two fixed white range-lights, each of 40 candle-power, were established at the southern end of Port Townsend, to lead through the Port Townsend Canal.

Front Light.—The front light is exhibited, 15 ft. above the water, from a cross-arm on an unpainted dolphin with white triangular daymark, erected in 4½ fathoms of water, on the

bearings-

Port Hadlock, sawmill wharf, south corner ... 244° 30' Irondale Wharf, north corner ... 290° 30'

from the front light.

On the same date Oak Bay light, fixed white of 40 candle-power, was established, 15 ft. above the water, at the southern end of the jetty on the western side of the southern entrance

Approx. position : Lat. 48° 1′ 26″ N., long. 122° 43′ 22″ W.

# SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

SAMOA ISLANDS.—UPOLU ISLAND.—APIA HABBOUR.—
REAR RANGE-BEACON ESTABLISHED.—A rear range-beacon has been established on the northern corner of the building eastward of the French mission on Mt. Vaka, about 1,200 yards southward of the front range-beacon. The front beacon is located near the entrance of the Mulivai River and is painted white and red in horizontal bands.

Approx. position: Lat. 13° 49′ 52″ S., long. 171° 45′ 30″ W. H.O. Charts Nos. 1500, 825a, 2021, 87, 89, and 95.
Pacific Islands, Vol. II, 1908, page 91.

## HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

OAHU.—HONOLULU HARBOUR.—FACILITIES.—Honolulu has good coaling facilities. There is a patent coal-conveyer dock and two automatic coal-conveyer barges, one of which can deposit 1,000 tons and the other 2,000 tons an hour. They can both work on one vessel if needed.

There is a depot of oil-tanks, and vessels can take California

fuel oil through pipe-lines at the wharves.

There is a steel floating dry dock, the dimensions of which are: Length, 352 ft.; inside width, 75 ft. at bottom, 84 ft. at top; draft over keel blocks, 23 ft. 6 in.; capacity, 4,500

Adjoining the dry dock are fully equipped foundry, boiler, and iron works. The foundry can make 15-ton castings, while any kind of boilerwork can be handled.

#### VICTORIA.

### Portland Harbour Light.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that the Portland Harbour light will be changed from a fixed green light to a flashing green light on and from the 6th inst.

The cuttings and range of visibility remain unaltered.

# Gippsland Lakes Entrance.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that as the bar has shoaled to nine (9) feet, low water, vessels making the entrance should navigate the bar on lines a little eastward of the red beacon and flagstaff in line.

Extreme caution should be exercised, and the entrance navigated only under favourable weather conditions

# CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Pastoral Lands in Westland Mining District for License.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Hokitika, 28th September, 1915.

OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are open for license under the Regulations for the Occupation of Pastoral Lands in Karamea and Westland Mining Districts; and applications will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 15th day of November, 1915.

The ballot will be held at this office on Wednesday, the 17th day of November, 1915, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

Preference will be given to landless applicants who have children dependent on them, or who have within the preceding two years applied for land at least twice unsuccessfully.

# SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.—NATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

Westland County .- Waimea Survey District.

SECTION 3233, Block XIV: Area, 417 acres; capital value,

£270; half-yearly rent, £5 8s.
Weighted with £6 15s., valuation for clearing and fencing. Weighted with £6 15s., valuation for clearing and fencing. Comprises 60 acres swamp, the remainder being formerly covered with heavy mixed bush from which the timber of commercial value has been removed, with a dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil is fair to inferior, of a peaty nature, wet in places, resting on gravel formation; well watered. Altitude, 250 ft. to 300 ft. above sea-level. Situated on Hokitika to Kumara main road, a distance of seven miles and three-quarters from Hokitika and three-quarters of a mile from Stafford Railway-station.

Sections 3153 and 3234, Block XIV: Area, 484 acres; capital value, £310; half-yearly rent, £6 4s.
Weighted with £9 3s., valuation for fencing erected on

Section 3234.

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Comprises 100 acres swamp land, the remainder being formerly covered with heavy mixed bush from which the timber of commercial value has been removed, with a dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil is fair, of a peaty nature, resting on a hard gravel formation; well watered. Altitude,