expenditure of the institution for the year herein specified; that the whole of the subsidy received during the year was expended in the purchase of books for the library; [and that by the rules of the library the reading-room is open to the public free of charge].

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1918.

[Signature.]

, this day of , 191 , Justice of the Peace [or Solicitor, Declared at before meor Notary Public].

[Here affix and cancel a stamp at 3s.]

[Note.—The words relating to last year's subsidy and to free admission may be struck out if they are not applicable. The words in brackets are not part of the form, but indicate matter to be inserted or substituted.]

6. Copies of the form of application may be obtained from the Secretary, Education Department, Wellington, and from the Secretary of any Education Board.

J. HANAN, Minister of Education.

Notice to Mariners No. 77 of 1916.

Marine Department, Wellington, N.Z., 26th September, 1916.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Hydrographic Office, London; the Hydrographic Office, Washington; and the Acting Governor, Balboa Heights, C.Z., are published for general information.

GEORGE ALLPORT,

Secretary.

### WASHINGTON.

PUGET SOUND .- PULLY POINT LIGHT .- CHARACTERISTIC TO BE CHANGED.—About 15th August, 1916, the characteristic of Pully Point light will be changed from fixed white to occulting white every 6 seconds—thus, light 3 seconds, eclipsed 3 seconds-of 50 candle-power.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.—BARKLEY SOUND.—SECHART CHANNEL.—SWALE ROCK LIGHT.—CHARACTERISTIC CHANGED.—NEW STRUCTURE.—Information has been received that on or before 1st September, 1916, and without further notice, the characteristic of Swale Rock light will be changed from fixed white to occulting white. The new light will be an unwatched acetylene light, exhibited 35 ft. above high water, and visible 11 miles from all points of approach. The light will be shown from a steel cylindrical tank surmounted by a steel frame supporting the lantern, the whole painted white, erected on the eastern end of the rock.

Approx. position: Lat. 48° 55′ 47″ N. long. 125° 13′ 12″ W.

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Approx. position: Lat. 48° 55′ 45″ N., long. 125° 13′ 12″ W.

H.O. Charts Nos. 527, 903, 1450, and 1449.

U.S. Coast Survey Charts Nos. U, 7002, and 6400.

H.O. Light List, Vol. I, 1916, No. 1892.

Light List, Pacific Coast, 1916, page 72, No. 383.

H.O. Pub. No. 175, 1916, page 458.

## PANAMA CANAL

### NOTICE TO STEAMSHIP LINES.

1. In view of the present high price and scarcity of bottoms, and the difficulty experienced in maintaining the coal reserve on the Isthmus, on and after 1st October, 1916, and until further notice, the following prices will obtain at the Panama Canal for coal supplied steamships, including warships of all

# Cristobal—Colon.

Delivered alongside of vessel in lighters or in ears on the wharves, trimmed in bunkers, when handled by ship's gear (per ton) \$7.50

# Balboa.

Delivered alongside of vessel in lighters or in cars on the wharves, trimmed in bunkers, when handled by ship's gear (per ton) . . . . \$9.00

An additional charge of \$2.00 per hour will be made for the use of each mechanical hoist or crane furnished by the Panama Railroad Company.

2. These changes apply to the prices given on pages 41-42 the Sailing Directions and General Information, the Panama Canal, and its supplements.

### HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

OAHU ISLAND .- PEARL HARBOUR ENTRANCE .- TORPEDO-RANGE BLOVES ESTABLISHED.—On 27th July, 1916, the following torpedo-range buoys were established off the entrance to Pearl Harbour :

Hammer Point, tangent .. 353° 30′ . .

Honolulu Mill chimney ... 24° 00′ Torpedo-range Middle Buoy, a white, first-class can, in 7 fathoms of water, on the bearings—

.. 346° 30′ Oahu Mill chimney ... Tripod .. ... .. 17° 00′

Queen Emma's, east corner 41° 15′ Torpedo-range West Buoy, a white, first-class nun. in 16½ fathoms of water, on the bearings—

Oahu Mill chimney ... 356° 45′ 27° 15′

### SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

## COOK ISLANDS .-- ROCK REPORTED.

Position (approximate).—Lat. 20° 38′ S., long. 161° 2′ W. Position (approximate).—Lat. 20° 38° S., long. 101° 2° W.

Details.—A vessel reports having passed close to what appeared to be a pinnacle rock, with an estimated depth of about 3½ fathoms, in approximately the above position.

Note.—The rock is to be marked "(P.A.)" and "Reported (1916)" on the charts.

Charts affected.—No. 783, Pacific Ocean, south-east sheet;
No. 2683, Pacific Ocean; No. 2483, Atlantic and Indian

Publication. Pacific Islands Pilot, Vol. III, 1909, page 39.

Public Service Stores Tender Board .-- Supply and Delivery of Stores.

Wellington, 21st September, 1916. TENDERS will be received at the office of the Chairman, General Post Office, Wellington, not later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 11th October, 1916, for the supply and delivery, C.I.F. and E., Wellington, of 4,500 cords, telephone, 3-conductor, and 4,000 switchboard plugs.

Particulars and conditions of tendering may be obtained at the office of the Controller of Stores, Post and Telegraph Department, Wellington; the District Storekeeper, Post and Telegraph Department, Christchurch; or at the offices of the Telegraph Engineers at Auckland and Dunedin.

J. ORCHISTON. Chairman.

Scale for General Division Officers of the Public Service.

Office of Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, 19th September, 1916.

THE Public Service Commissioner has made the following scales for General Division Officers of the Public Service Commissioner of the Public Service Commissioner of the Public Service Commissioner, 1916. scales for General Division Officers of the Public Service specified below.

P. VERSCHAFFELT, Secretary

Yeariy Rate of Pay. Annual Incre-Position. Incre-ments. Minimum. Maximum.

Printing and Stationery Department.

£ .. | 215 | 215 Readers

Public Works Department.

Blacksmith's Striker ... .. | 140 | 170 |