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Dated this 20th day of October, 1917.

J. G. WARD,  
Postmaster-General.

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Department of Justice.

Wellington, 18th October, 1917.

THE following despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the adhesion of French Morocco to the Berne Convention of 1908 for the protection of literary and artistic works, has been received, and is published for general information.

J. A. HANAN,  
Minister of Justice.

(New Zealand.—Dominions No. 482.)

Received 18th September, 1917.—G.H. 2478/17.—Government House, N.Z.

Downing Street, 26th July, 1917.

MY LORD,—I have the honour to transmit to your Excellency, for the information of your Minister, the accompanying copy of a note from the Swiss Minister on the subject of the adhesion of French Morocco to the Berne Convention of 1908 for the protection of literary and artistic works.

I have, &c.,  
WALTER H. LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Honourable the Earl of Liverpool,  
P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Swiss Legation, 3 Portland Place,  
London W., 7th July, 1917.

Secretary of State.

I HAVE the honour to bring under Your Excellency's notice the fact that, on the 16th June, 1917, the French Ambassador at Berne, by order of his Government, informed the Federal Swiss Consul that the Cherifian Empire of Morocco (a French protectorate) adheres to the Convention of Berne, revised on the 13th of November, 1908, for the protection of literary and artistic works.

This adhesion came into effect on the 16th of June, 1917, date of notice mentioned above.

The Cherifian Empire (French protectorate), as far as its contribution to the expenses of the International Bureau is concerned, has asked to be ranked in the sixth class.

Be so good as to accept, Secretary of State, fresh assurance of our highest esteem, with which I have the honour to be, &c.,

CARLIN.

To His Excellency the Very Honourable  
Arthur A. Balfour, Foreign Office.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 89 of 1917.

WHANGAREI HARBOUR.—MOORING-BUOY PLACED.

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 17th October, 1917.

THE Whangarei Harbour Board have notified that a conical steel buoy 10 ft. in diameter has been placed in an anchorage of 12 ft. at M.L.W.S., about 300 ft. east of the Dominion Portland Cement Company's (Limited) wharf, and about 200 ft. from the western edge of the channel leading from Limestone Island to Mangapai River.

The buoy stands about 6 ft. above water, and is moored by strong chains to heavy cement anchors. The buoy and wharf mentioned are a little beyond the limits of Whangarei Harbour Plan No. 2047.

Publications affected.—“New Zealand Pilot,” eighth edition, 1908, Chapter iii, page 77; “New Zealand Nautical Almanac,” 1917, page 425.

GEORGE ALLPORT,  
Secretary.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 90 of 1917.

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 23rd October, 1917.

THE following Notices to Mariners which have been received from the Department of Trade and Customs, Melbourne; the Department of Ports and Harbours, Melbourne; and the Minister of State for Communications, Tokyo, are published for general information.

GEORGE ALLPORT,  
Secretary.

AUSTRALIA.

EAST COAST.—OUTER BARRIER REEF.—ONE-AND-HALF-MILE OPENING.—BEACON ESTABLISHED.

MARINERS and others are hereby notified that a beacon near the One-and-half-mile Opening has been established.

Position.—About 1½ miles west of the outer end of the opening. Lat. 14° 22' S., long. 145° 23' E.

Description.—A red triangular beacon. The top of the beacon is 30 ft. above high water.

Charts affected.—Admiralty Charts Nos. 2923, Hope Islands to Turtle Group; 2764, Coral Sea (sheet 2); 780, Pacific Ocean (south-west sheet); 2759A, Australia (northern portion).

Publications affected.—“Australia Directory,” Vol. ii, 1907, page 385; “Sailing Directions, Ports and Harbours of Queensland,” 1917, page 70.

ALTERATION TO LOWER LIGHT, QUEENSCLIFF, PORT PHILLIP.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that on and after 1st November, 1917, the lower light at Queenscliff will be altered to an occulting light, with a light period of three and a half seconds, followed by an eclipse of one-half of a second.

The red and white sectors will also be altered to show as follows:—

From seaward the light will show red between the bearings of N. 51° E. and N. 38° E. over the dangers extending from Point Lonsdale; white between the bearings of N. 38° E. and N. 24° E. over the clear navigable channel between the Heads; and red again between the bearings of N. 24° E. and N. 3° E. outside the Heads over the dangers of Point Nepean. Within the Heads the light will show red from N. 24° E. to N. 17° W. round to Cheviot Hill; and white between N. 17° W. and N. 79° W. to a line from the Light-house along the north side of the South Channel.

Caution.—Mariners entering Port Phillip Heads by night should keep within the sector of white light shown from the Low Lighthouse; the change of colour of the low light from white to red indicates that the vessel is either approaching Lonsdale Rock on the western or Corsair Rock on the eastern side of the fairway.

The sector of red light visible between the bearings of S. 64° W. and S. 69° W. marking the S.W. passage of the West Channel between the buoys marking the Royal George Shoal and Nos. 1 and 3 black can buoys will not be altered.

JAPAN.

SHIMONOSEKI STRAIT.

Notice is hereby given that the character, candle-power, and visibility of the light of Omoji-iwa Beacon light, on N. of Aino-shima, W. entrance to Shimonoseki Strait, have been changed on the 5th of August, 1917.

INLAND SEA.

Notice is hereby given that the newly established Ryujin-jima Lighthouse, on Ryujin-jima, E. entrance to Kurushima Strait, Inland Sea, will be shown as follows at the beginning of September, 1917.

Ryujin-jima Lighthouse.

Position.—Lat. 34° 6' 8" N., long. 133° 1' 22" E. (according to the Japanese Admiralty Chart No. 132).

Description.—Lower part concrete, upper part iron lattice-work, painted black.

Height of Light.—22½ shaku above the base, 40 shaku above the water.

Character of Light.—Acetylene gas occulting white, duration of light 2 seconds, eclipse 2 seconds.

Illuminated Arc.—The whole horizon.

Power.—150 candles.

Visible Distance.—11½ nautical miles in clear night.

The light being unwatched, should the light go out by accident there may be some delay in relighting it.

Further notice will be given after the above light has been effected.