The territory in Russia which may be regarded as in hostile |

occupation comprises— Esthonia. Kharkov. Livonia. Courland. Orel. Kursk. Kovno. Bessarabia. Vilna. Kholm. Bialystok. Kherson. Vitebsk. Ekaterinoslav.

Poland. Province of the Don Cossacks. Taurida (including Crimea). Grodno. Pskov. Ardahan.

Minsk. Kars. Volhvnia. Batum. Mogilev. Kutais. Tchernigov. Vorenezh. Poltava Erivan. Podolia. Kiev.

Dated this 9th day of August, 1918.

GEORGE COCKERILL. Brigadier-General.

Notice to Mariners.-No. 66 of 1918.

Marine Department,

Wellington, 22nd October, 1918.

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

GEORGE ALLPORT,

Secretary.

ENGLAND.

WEST COAST.—KELSEY HEAD.—WRECK WESTWARD OF. Position.—At a distance of about 2 miles we stward of Kelsey Head. Lat. 50° 24′ 30″ N., long. 5° 11′ 50″ W. Description.—Sunken wreck of a vessel.

SOUTH COAST.—NEWHAVEN.—WRECK SOUTH-WESTWARD OF.

Position.—At a distance of 2·3 miles, 218° (S. 52° W. mag.), from Newhaven Breakwater Lighthouse. Lat. 50° $44_4^{*\prime}$ N., long, 0° 14' E.

Description.—Sunken wreck of a steamer with mast and

funnel showing above water. Variation.—14° W.

CHILE.

PORT CALDERA AND NORTHERN APPROACH.

(1.) Pulpo Rock.—Amended Position.

Position on Chart.—Lat. 27° 1' S., long. 70° 52' W. Details.—A recent survey places this rock about 2½ cables northward of the position shown on the chart, and a note to this effect is to be inserted against this rock on the plan of Ports Caldera and Calderilla on Chart No. 1276.

(2.) Chango Rock.—Decreased Depth.

Position.—Lat. 27° 2½′ S., long. 70° 52½′ W. Details.—The depth over this rock is 3¾ fathoms, instead of 43 fathoms formerly shown on the chart.

SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

FIJI ISLANDS.—VANUA LEVU.—MBUTHA BAY.—REEF MARKED BY BEACON.

Position.—South-eastward of Nukindam. Lat. 16° 38′ 45″ S., long. 179° 52′ 45″ E.

Depth.—7 ft.

Note.—The symbol for a rock with a depth of less than 6 ft. is to be inserted on the chart.

Remarks.-This reef, which is of small extent, is marked by an iron beacon surmounted by a drum.

AUSTRALIA.

TORRES STRAIT, WESTERN APPROACH.—LIGHT-VESSEL (U) TO BE ESTABLISHED.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that a light-vessel

will be established in the western approach to Torres Strait on or about 18th November, 1918.

Position (approximate).—The light-vessel will be moored in about 20 fathoms of water, at a distance of 20 miles, 240°

(S. 55° W. mag.), from Merkara Shoal. Lat. 10° 40′ S. long. 140° 55′ E. on Chart No. 447.

Characteristics—

(a.) Light: Character.—Group flashing white light, showing three flashes in quick succession every fifteen seconds, thus—flash ½ sec., eclipse 1½ secs.; flash $\frac{1}{2}$ sec., eclipse $1\frac{1}{2}$ secs.; flash $\frac{1}{2}$ sec., eclipse

10½ secs.

Elevation.—32 ft.

Visibility.—10 miles.

Power.—1,500 candles,

(b.) Fog Signal: Description.—A bell sounded by the

motion of the vessel.
(c.) Vessel: Description.—The vessel has one mast carrying the lantern; the hull is painted red, and marked "Carpentaria" in white on sides.

Remarks.—The light will be unwatched. Note .- No further notice will be given.

SUMATRA.

West Coast.—Gebua Tenga to Pulo Katang Katang — Existence of Rocks.

| | Position. | | | | | | | | | | Deptn. | | |
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| (1.) | Lat. | ${ m Lat.}\ 1^{\circ}\ 33'\ 30''\ { m S.},\ { m long.}\ 100^{\circ}\ 29'\ 0''$ | | | | | | 06" | E. | 10 fathoms (rock). | | | |
| (2.) | ,, | ۱° | 34' | 36 | s. | ,, | 100° | 27 | 24" | Ε. | 6 | ,, | (coral). |
| (3.) | ,, | | | 42' | | ,, | 100° | 32' | 48" | Ε. | 4 | ,, | (coral). |
| (4.) | ,, | | | 06' | | | 100° | | | | 7 | ,, | (rock). |
| (5.) | | | | 48 | | | 100° | | | | 2 | ,, | (coral). |
| (6.) | ,, | 1° | 49′ | 48 | S. | ,, | 100° | 33′ | 36" | Ε. | 2 | ,, | (coral). |

EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO.

TIMOR, NORTH-WEST COAST.—OMBAI PASSAGE.—BREAKERS REPORTED.

Position.—Westward of Fatu St. Antonio Point. Lat. 8° 52′ 30″ S., long. 124° 58′ 30″ E.

Details.—Breakers were observed in the above position, apparently indicating the existence of a recf.

Note.—The position on the chart is to be encircled by a danger line and marked "Breakers reported (1918)."

JAPAN.

NORTH COAST OF HONSHU.

Notice is hereby given that the candle-power of the light of Tairadate Lighthouse, on Myojin Zaki, entrance to Matsu Gulf, has been increased as follows since the 26th of July, 1918: Power, 23,000 candles.

Notice is hereby given that the fog-siren at Tairadate Lighthouse, entrance to Matsu Gulf, which was temporarily discontinued, has been operated as before since the 28th of July, 1918.

ED SEA, GULF OF ADEN, PERSIAN GULF, ARABIAN SEA, BAY OF BENGAL, AND MALACCA RED SEA. STRAIT.

Caution with regard to Extinction of Lights.—Certain Ports closed by Night.

1. The lights at the following places have been extinguished:

Jibuti and vicinity (except Ras al Bir); Penang approaches. All lights in the Persian Gulf,

and on the coasts of India, Ceylon, and the Bay of Bengal, are liable to be extinguished without notice. 2. Certain ports closed by night:-

Vessels are prohibited from entering the Port of Massawa between sunset and 6 a.m., and they should not approach the port between these hours.

Vessels are prohibited from entering the Ports of Panjim and Marmagao in Portuguese India between sunset and sunrise. Vessels will be permitted to leave subject to permission being obtained from the Captain of the port.

RED SEA, EASTERN SHORE.—FARISIAN BANK.

SHAB JENAB AND SHAB SAHABAK.—EXTENSION TO NORTH-WARD.

Position.—Shab Jenab, lat. 19° 55′ N., long. 39° 56½′ E. Details.—The shoals known as Shab Jenab and Shab Sahabak have been found to extent further to the northward than charted, the former for a distance of about 3 miles, and the latter for a distance of about 1½ miles. The charts are to be amended accordingly.

*Caution.**—See note in sailing directions with regard to the positions of the reefs westward of Abulat Island.