

Officiating Ministers for 1922.—Notice No. 20.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 27th June, 1922.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Church of the Province of New Zealand commonly called the Church of England.

The Reverend Valentine Albert Bianchi.
The Reverend William Steven Graham Cameron.

J. L. PALETHORPE,
Acting Registrar-General.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 38 of 1922.

OTAGO HARBOUR.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 23rd June, 1922.

THE Otago Harbour Board notify for the general information of mariners:—

(1.) VICTORIA CHANNEL.—DREDGER MOORINGS.

Whilst dredging is in progress and the dredger remains moored, between the hours of sunset and sunrise, vessels desiring to pass the dredger must slacken speed, and indicate their presence to the dredger by making one long blast on the steam whistle or siren, following which the dredger moorings which lead partly across the channel will be slackened down. All vessels are warned to exercise every precaution when passing the dredger.

(2.) ENTRANCE.—STRUCTURE AT MOLE END.

A structure comprising seven wooden piles is in course of erection at the mole end. It is intended that this structure shall carry a flashing light for the purpose of marking the mole end; after which the existing buoy marking the mole end, together with the existing two flashing lights (the one on No. 2 beacon and the other at the Kaik) are to be removed.

Publications affected.—Admiralty Chart No. 2411; "New Zealand Pilot," ninth edition, 1919, pages 362 and 367; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac," 1922, pages 258 and 259, and plan facing page 260.

A. D. PARK, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 39 of 1922.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 27th June, 1922.

THE following Notices to Mariners, which have been received from the Secretary of the Navy, Washington, U.S.A.; the Hydrographer of the Navy, London; the Department of Navigation, Sydney; and the Department of Trade and Customs, Melbourne, are published for general information.

A. D. PARK, Secretary.

ENGLAND.

EAST COAST.—GOODWIN SANDS.—EXTENSION TO THE WESTWARD.—CAUTION.

Position.—Gull Light-vessel, lat. 51° 16' N., long. 1° 29' E. (approx.).

Details.—The western limit of the Goodwin Sands abreast the Gull Light-vessel and for a distance of about one mile to the southward has extended considerably to the westward. This shoaling also continues further to the southward but to a lesser extent.

Caution.—In consequence of this extension mariners are warned that they should not attempt to navigate to the eastward of the Gull Light-vessel between that light-vessel and the Goodwin Sands.

Note.—The note "Shoaled considerably (1922)" is to be inserted on the charts in the above locality between the West Goodwin buoy and the Gull Light-vessel.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY APPROACH.—SAN FRANCISCO LIGHT-VESSEL.—CHARACTERISTICS OF SUBMARINE BELL TO BE CHANGED.

About 1st November, 1922, the submarine bell on San Francisco Light-vessel will be changed to sound 2 groups of 2 strokes (22) every 30 seconds.

Approx. position: 37° 45' 03" N., 122° 41' 30" W.

AUSTRALIA.

EAST COAST.—UNCHARTED ROCK NEAR MONTAGU ISLAND.

Masters of vessels are hereby notified that a pinnacle rock, carrying two and a half (2½) fathoms, low-water ordinary springs, has been discovered in the following position:—
Montagu Island Lighthouse bearing N. 5° E. (correct magnetic) distant 2¼ miles.

Glasshouse Rocks bearing N. 54° 30' W. (correct magnetic).

This rock is S. 3° E. (correct magnetic) and distant one mile from the uncharted rock advertised in Notice to Mariners dated 28th April, 1920.

Care should be taken by masters of vessels when navigating southward and westward in the vicinity of Montague Island.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—PORT STEPHENS.—POINT STEPHENS LIGHT.—INTENDED ALTERATION IN CHARACTERISTICS.

Date of Alteration.—On or about 1st July, 1922.

Position.—Lat. 32° 45' S., long. 152° 12' E. (approx.).

Details.—The alternating flashing white and red light will be replaced experimentally by a light having the under-mentioned characteristics:—

Character.—Group flashing white showing three flashes every fifteen seconds, thus: Flash 0.3 sec., eclipse 2.2 secs.; flash 0.3 sec., eclipse 2.2 secs.; flash 0.3 sec., eclipse 9.7 secs.

Visibility.—17 miles.

Power.—20,000 candles.

Remarks.—The light will be unwatched. The other characteristics of the light will remain unchanged.

Note.—Further notice will be given for the necessary correction of the charts.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Lands in the Wellington Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 26th June, 1922.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands will be offered for sale or lease under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and the regulations thereunder; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 28th day of August, 1922.

The lands may be purchased for cash or on deferred payments, or selected on lease for a term of sixty-six years, with right of renewal for further terms of sixty-six years and a right to acquire the freehold.

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1922, at 10 o'clock a.m.; but if any applicant so desires, he may be examined by the Land Board of any other district.

The ballot will be held at the conclusion of the examination of applicants.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Horowhenua County.—Waiopēhu Survey District.—Weraroa Training Farm.

SECTION 82, Block V: Area, 52 acres 1 rood 39 perches; capital value, £2,350; instalment on deferred payment (excluding interest), £117 10s.; half-yearly rent on lease, £52 17s. 6d.

Section 83, Block V: Area, 53 acres 3 roods 36 perches; capital value, £2,300; instalment on deferred payment (excluding interest), £115; half-yearly rent on lease, £51 15s.

Section 84, Block V: Area, 61 acres 0 roods 10 perches; capital value, £1,760; instalment on deferred payment (excluding interest), £88; half-yearly rent on lease, £39 12s.

This property was originally part of the Weraroa Boys' Training Farm, and is situated some four miles from Levin on the Kimberley and Arapaepae Roads. The altitude is about 100 ft. above sea-level. The land is of good quality, and is flat. It is eminently adapted for dairying and cropping. The greater portion of the land is at present in grass, most of which has been newly laid down. A creamery and post-office letter-box are adjacent to the property. The sections are well watered by irrigation channels.

The improvements included in capital value are as follows: Section 82, 127 chains fencing, ploughing and grassing, valued at £177; Section 83, 92 chains fencing, ploughing and grassing, valued at £108 13s.; Section 84, 110 chains fencing, ploughing and grassing, valued at £158 17s.