

Notice to Mariners No. 56 of 1924.

STEWART ISLAND.—NORTH-EAST COAST.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd September, 1924.

Anchorage Beacon painted.

CONCERNING Notice to Mariners No. 26 of 1924, relating to anchorage beacons erected on the north-east coast of Stewart Island, notice is hereby given that the southern beacon referred to in that notice as being situated immediately west of Murray River beach has now been made more easily distinguishable by having painted in its centre, the black disc referred to in that notice.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2553; "New Zealand Pilot," ninth edition, 1919, pages 451 and 452.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 57 of 1924.

PACIFIC OCEAN.—SOLOMON ISLANDS.—VANIKORO ISLANDS.—PALLU PASSAGE.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd September, 1924.

Shoal Reported.

THE Master of the British Missionary Steamer "Southern Cross" reports his vessel to have grounded on an uncharted shoal near the centre of Pallu Passage on the south-western side of Vanikoro Island in lat. 11° 44' S., long. 166° 51' 15" E., the eastern point of Saloe Bay bearing 090°.

The shoal is reported to be of small extent, and to have two fathoms over it at low water.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 986; "Pacific Islands Pilot," Volume 2, fifth edition, 1918, page 324.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 58 of 1924.

AUCKLAND HARBOUR.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd September, 1924.

Certain Prohibited Anchorages deleted from Charts, and Cable Beacons erected.

INFORMATION is hereby given that the undermentioned prohibited anchorages which were shown as "pecked" areas on Admiralty Chart 1970, Auckland Harbour, have now been deleted, and in lieu of which in respect of submarine cables the positions of the cables and the words "telegraph cable" have been placed on the Chart. Also, pairs of triangular-shaped beacons each marked "Cable," the front beacon of each pair exhibiting a fixed green, and the rear one a fixed red light, have been erected so as to enable the position and direction of the cables to be visually located during daylight or darkness by vessels desiring to anchor.

1. *Bastion Point-North Head.*—Prohibited anchorage deleted, and cable direction indicated by beacons at North Head, 83 ft. apart, in transit 331°.

2. *Resolution Point-Depot Point.*—Prohibited anchorage deleted, and cable direction indicated by beacons at Depot Point, Devonport, 240 ft. apart, in transit 009°.

3. *Ponsonby Point-Stoke's Point-O'Neil's Point.*—Prohibited anchorage deleted, and the directions of the cables indicated by beacons leading to the north side of the harbour. The eastern boundary is defined by beacons near Shelly Beach Bathing-shed, 100 ft. apart, in transit 033°, leading to the five-fathom bank off Stoke's Point. The western boundary is defined by beacons at the foot of Sentinel Road, Ponsonby, 126 ft. apart, in transit 035°, leading to the base of Northcote Wharf. Vessels are prohibited from anchoring within the area enclosed by the eastern and western boundaries referred to in paragraph 3 and in the locality of any of the submarine cables in Auckland Harbour.

4. The prohibited anchorage for the west side of Queen's Wharf in a north-westerly direction and extending to a position 3,300 ft. to the north-west of the end of the Western Tide-deflector, has been deleted.

This notice supersedes and cancels the reference contained in Notice to Mariners No. 43 of 1913, concerning the prohibited anchorage between Ponsonby Point-Stoke's Point-O'Neil's Point; No. 45 of 1917, concerning the prohibited

anchorage between North Head and Bastion Point; and No. 67 of 1921, concerning the prohibited anchorage between Depot Point-Resolution Point; all of which areas prescribed by these notices as "prohibited anchorages" are now abolished, as also is the area referred to in paragraph 4 of this notice.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 1970; "New Zealand Pilot," ninth edition, 1919, page 194 and 195; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac," 1924, page 195 and 196.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 59 of 1924.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 3rd September, 1924.

THE following Notices to Mariners, which have been received from the Commonwealth Navigation Service, Melbourne, are published for general information.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

QUEENSLAND.

(10.) *Suggested Track for Shipping to avoid "Fantomé" Rock in Hillsborough Channel.—St. Bees Island to Locksmith Island.*

Position.—Lat. 20° 55' S., long. 149° 33' E.

Soundings recently taken in this area show a minimum depth at L.W.O.S. of 11 fathoms, with summit, Silversmith Island bearing 310° (N. 58° W., mag.).

(11.) *Caution with regard to Surveying Operations.*

H.M.A.S. "Geranium" will be engaged in surveying operations from August, until further notice, in the area enclosed by lines joining the following positions:—

(a.) Lat. 17° 00' S., long. 146° 00' E.

(b.) Lat. 17° 00' S., long. 146° 45' E.

(c.) Lat. 18° 00' S., long. 146° 00' E.

(d.) Lat. 18° 00' S., long. 146° 45' E.

Floating beacons and survey marks will be in use in this area and have no navigation significance. When the surveying-vessel is working in the main channel, the signal for a telegraph ship at work will be shown. Vessels are requested to keep well clear when this signal is exhibited.

(12.) *Inner Barrier Route.—Archer Point Light.—Intended Secondary Light (U).*

A fl. white lt. (U) will be established on Archer Point on or about 30th October, 1924.

Position.—On the summit of Archer Point, at the foot of the lighthouse. Lat. 15° 36' S., long. 145° 20' E.

Character.—Flashing white every three seconds, thus: Flash $\frac{1}{2}$ sec., eclipse 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

Elevation.—210 ft. *Visibility.*—15 miles; from 170° through S. to 228°; obscured elsewhere.

Structure.—White lantern on white circular steel house, 10 ft. in height.

No further notice will be given.

Election of Member of Hawke's Bay Land Board.—Result of Poll.

I, JAMES DUNCAN THOMSON, Returning Officer for the election of a member to the Hawke's Bay Land Board, do hereby notify, in accordance with section 41 of the Land Act, 1908, and the regulations thereunder, the result of the poll taken by me on the 28th day of August, 1924, for the election of a member of the Hawke's Bay Land Board to be as follows:—

Valid votes recorded:—

Chadwick, Ralph Searle	179
Kibblewhite, James Henry	159
O'Reilly, Cornelius John	211
Ries, Hans Madsen	56

Total valid votes	605
Informal votes	25

Total votes recorded	630
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And I do hereby declare that Cornelius John O'Reilly, having received the greatest number of valid votes, is duly elected a member of the Hawke's Bay Land Board as from the 28th day of August, 1924.

J. D. THOMSON, Returning Officer.