

SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN.—FIJI ISLANDS, VANUA LEVU.

Laukoto Reef.—Information re Reef and Beacons.

(1.) Extension of reef:

Position.—Off south-eastern side of reef, at a distance of 3.50 miles 341° from Sesaleka Peak Δ . Lat. $16^\circ 43' S.$, long. $178^\circ 30' E.$ (*approx.*).

Details.—From the above position an extension of Laukoto Reef is to be drawn on the chart for a distance of (a) about 2 cables in a 025° direction and thence (b) in a 310° direction to eastern side of reef.

The 23 fathom (42m0) depth shown on the chart close northward of (b) above, is to be expunged. A depth of 21 fathoms (38m4) is to be inserted on western side of track, at a distance of 3.90 miles 346° from Sesaleka Peak Δ .

(2.) Beacons to be inserted on chart:

Positions.—(a) Lat. $16^\circ 43' 15'' S.$, long. $178^\circ 30' 12'' E.$, on chart No. 379. (b) Lat. $16^\circ 44' 00'' S.$, long. $178^\circ 29' 48'' E.$, on chart No. 379.

Details.—The symbol for a beacon, together with the notation "Bn.," is to be inserted on chart in each of these positions.

Notice to Mariners No. 6 of 1925.

NEW ZEALAND.—NORTH ISLAND.—WEST COAST.—WANGANUI HARBOUR.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd February, 1925.

Erection of War Memorial Tower.

THE Wanganui Harbour Board notify that the position of the recently erected War Memorial Tower at Durie Hill is 082° distant 3.3 miles from the flagstaff at the Signal Station situated on the north side of the entrance to Wanganui Harbour.

In clear weather the tower, the top of which is 375 ft. high, is plainly visible to vessels approaching Wanganui from seaward.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2054; "New Zealand Pilot," Ninth Edition, 1919, page 99; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac, 1925," page 215.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 7 of 1925.

NEW ZEALAND.—NORTH ISLAND.—HAURAKI GULF.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd February, 1925.

Tiri Tiri - Matangi Light, and Intended Conversion to Flashing.

INFORMATION is hereby given that it is intended to convert the existing watched fixed light at Tiri Tiri, Matangi, to an automatic light having the following characteristics:—

Group Flashing.—Two flashes every thirty seconds. Flash, two seconds; eclipse between flashes, six seconds; between groups, twenty seconds.

Location, power, height, arc, and range of visibility, will continue unaltered.

It is anticipated the conversion will be completed by the end of April, but until the conversion is finally completed there will possibly be a variation in the power of the light, and mariners should therefore exercise the utmost caution.

Further notice will be given as to the actual date on which the conversion is to take place.

Publications affected: Admiralty Charts Nos. 1998, 3565, 2543, and 1212; "New Zealand Pilot," Ninth Edition, 1919, page 183; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac, 1925," page 134, No. VII, and page 344; "Admiralty List of Lights, 1924," Part VI, page 391, No. 2875.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 8 of 1925.

NEW ZEALAND.—NORTH ISLAND.—EAST COAST.—MATAKAOA POINT.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd February, 1925.

Light to be established.

INFORMATION is hereby given that an automatic light, unwatched, is to be established by approximately the end of July, 1925, at Matakaoa Point immediately westward of East Cape Lighthouse.

Further notice as to date of inauguration, &c., will be given.

Publications affected: Admiralty Charts Nos. 3500, 2527, and 1212; "New Zealand Pilot," Ninth Edition, 1919, pages 248 and 249.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 9 of 1925.

NEW ZEALAND.—NORTH ISLAND.—WEST COAST.—MANAWATU RIVER.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd February, 1925.

Harbour Light to be moved Seawards.

THE Foxton Harbour Board notify that the Harbour light is to be transferred seawards in a direction $234\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ for a distance of 2,074 ft., to a new position situated 332° distant 78 ft. from the existing signal-mast on the northern side of the entrance to Manawatu River. It is intended to change the luminant from oil to electricity simultaneously with the transfer.

Further notice as to date of transfer, &c., will be given.

Publications affected: Admiralty Charts Nos. 2054 and 1212; "New Zealand Pilot," Ninth Edition, 1919, page 105; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac 1925," page 136, No. 23; "Admiralty List of Lights, 1924," Volume VI, page 401, No. 2970.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 10 of 1925.

NEW ZEALAND.—NORTH ISLAND.—COOK STRAIT.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 3rd February, 1925.

Port Nicholson Gunnery Datum Pillar erected.

INFORMATION is hereby given that a concrete datum pillar for gunnery range finding purposes has been erected by the military authorities on the eastern shore of entrance to Port Nicholson at a position about 350 yards northward of the low-level light at Pencarrow Head. The pillar which is 5 ft. high, rectangular in shape, and white in colour, is placed on the summit of a rock about 8 ft. above high-water on the foreshore, and is not to be used for navigational purposes.

Publications affected: Admiralty Plan No. 1423; "New Zealand Pilot," Ninth Edition, 1919, page 114; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac, 1925," page 208.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Examination for Elementary Kindergarten Certificates, 1924.

Education Department,
Wellington, 27th January, 1925.

AT the examination for Elementary Kindergarten Certificates held in November and December, 1924, the following candidates obtained a complete pass:—

McKechnie, Ngaire Louise, Christchurch.
Page, Eileen Beryl, Christchurch.
Ward, Ethelwynne Constance, Auckland.

J. CAUGHLEY, Director of Education.

Officiating Ministers for 1925.—Notice No. 3.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1925.

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

The United Evangelical Church in New Zealand.

The Reverend J. Farquharson Jones, D.D.

Udenominational Mission.

The Reverend David Bronlow Forde Carlisle.

ERRATUM.

In Notice No. 1, published in *New Zealand Gazette* on the 29th January, 1925, page 255, under "Church of the Province of New Zealand, commonly called the Church of England," for "The Reverend Eric Woolcombe Burgin, B.A." (as returned) read "The Reverend Eric Woolcombe Burgin, B.A."

W. W. COOK, Registrar-General.