The price quoted to include free delivery at the Railway Stores at Hunghom.

No tender will be received unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$100 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if such person refuses to carry out his tender, if accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

For further information apply at the Office of the Manager at Kowloon, where forms of tender may be obtained.

ROBERT BAKER,

Manager.

17th October, 1919.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 312.—In accordance with Section 168 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, it is hereby notified that the Government proposes to convert the Urinal at the Chair Coolies Shelter at the Peak into a water-flushed Trough Closet and Urinal.

If any owner or occupier in the immediate vicinity of such site objects to such erection, such objection must be sent in writing to the Colonial Secretary so as to reach his office not later than Friday, the 7th November, 1919.

A. GIBSON,

Head of the Sanitary Department.

17th October, 1919.

No. S. 313.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

TRANSLATION.

Notification No. 982 of Department of Communications.

Shimonoseki Strait.

Notice is hereby given that the character, candle power and visibility of the light of Shirasu Lighthouse, S. W. of Aino-shima, W. Entrance to Shimonoseki Strait, will be changed as follows in the near future:—

Shirasu Lighthouse.

Character:—Pintsch gas occulting white, duration of light 3 seconds and of eclipse 3 seconds.

Power: -375 candles.

Visible distance: -12½ nautical miles in clear night.

Further notice will be given after the above changes have been effected.

UTARO NODA,

Minister of State for Communications.

Токуо, July 28th, 1919.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE.

1919. No. 11.

The Astronomical positions are only approximate unless seconds are given. The bearings are given both True and Magnetic, and those relating to lights are from seaward. The visibility of lights is that in clear weather. Fog signals are sounded only in thick or foggy weather. The elevation given is the height of focal plane above high water.

TASMANIA.—NORTH COAST.

Mersey Bluff (Devonport) Light.—Intended alteration in Character.—Signal Station to be Discontinued.

MARINERS and others are hereby notified that the Fixed White Light with Red Sectors on Mersey Bluff (Devonport) will be replaced by a Group Flashing White Light with Red Sectors (U): and, further, that the Signal Station will be discontinued, on or about 15th January, 1920.

Position:—Near extreme of Mersey Bluff.

Lat. 41° $09\frac{1}{2}$ ′ S.; Long. $146^{\circ} 23\frac{3}{4}$ ′ E. on Chart No. 1695a.

Details:—The Fixed White Light with Red Sectors will be replaced by a New Light having the undermentioned characteristics:—

Character.—Group Flashing White Light with Red Sectors, showing four flashes in quick succession every twelve seconds, thus:—

Eclipse FlashFlashEclipse Eclipse Flash Eclipse Flash $7\frac{2}{3}$ secs. $\frac{1}{3}$ sec. $\frac{1}{3}$ sec. 1 sec. $\frac{1}{3}$ sec. 1 sec. 1 sec. $\frac{1}{3}$ sec.

Sectors.—Red from 86° (N. 77° E. Mag.) through East to 121° (S. 68° E. Mag.); White from 121° (S. 68° E. Mag.) through South to 225° (S. 36° W. Mag.); Red from 225° (S. 36° W. Mag.) to 260° (S 71° W. Mag.). Obscured elsewhere.

Visibility.—White, 16 miles. Red, 7 miles.

Power.—White, 1,500 candles. Red, 600 candles.

Remarks.—The light will be unwatched. The Signal Station will be discontinued, and the Lightkeepers withdrawn. The other details of the light will remain unchanged.

Note.—No further notice will be given.

Charts affected:—

Admiralty Chart No. 1695A—Bass Strait.

1079 —Tasmania.

" 3717—Plans in Tasmania—River Mersey.

 $Publications\ affected:-$

Admiralty List of Lights and Time Signals, Part VI., 1919, No. 2800. Australia Pilot, Vol. II., 1918, page 273.

By Direction,

R. McK. OAKLEY,
Acting Comptroller-General of Customs.

B. WALLACH,

Acting Director of Lighthouses.

Department of Trade and Customs,

Melbourne, 23rd August, 1919.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 283.—It is hereby notified that the following Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction will be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department on Monday, the 20th day of October, 1919, at 3 p.m.