

No. S. 382.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

THE following copy of a telegram received from the Commonwealth Naval Board, Australia, is published:—

“Drifting mines recently found at Cape Flattery near Cooktown, another just found off Dove Island in Great North Eastward Channel, Torres Strait. These mines appear to have been drifting from New Zealand and Bass Strait enemies mine fields. As all mines laid have not been recovered by sweepings more mines may be drifting to Coral Sea and Torres Strait. Request that shipping using waters of Torres Strait inner Barrier and Coral Sea route should be warned by Press Notification to look for drifting mines.”

BASIL TAYLOUR, Captain, R.N.,  
*Harbour Master, &c.*

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT,  
HONGKONG, 17th December, 1919.

No. 27 (A) OF 1919.

India—East Coast—Bay of Bengal.

MADRAS HARBOUR.

THE temporary fixed light referred to in this office Notice to Mariners No. 49 of 1916, dated 28th November, 1916, has been removed, and will not be replaced till about 1st January, 1920, or thereabouts.

L. B. CLARKE,  
*for Presidency Officer.*

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE,  
MADRAS, 5th November, 1919.

TRANSLATION:

*Notifications Nos. 1487 and 1531 of Department of Communications.*

(No. 1487)

Inland Sea.

*Buoys will be moved.*

NOTICE is hereby given that four Lighted Buoys, Naru-se, Taka-se, Mutsuredashi and Gomiyo-se-su, W. entrance to Shimonoseki Strait, will be occasionally moved from their due positions, during the course of dredging works in the vicinity of those Lighted Buoys.

Further notice will be given when the works have been completed.

Tokyo, November 21st, 1919.

(No. 1531)

S. Coast of Honshu.

*New Light to be shown.*

NOTICE is hereby given that newly established Lighthouse, on Sunosaki, Province of Awa, will be shown as follows since the 15th of December, 1919:—

*Sunosaki Lighthouse.*

Position:—Lat. 34° 58' 38" N., Long. 139° 45' 50" E. (According to the Japanese Admiralty Chart No. 90.)

Description:—Circular concrete tower, white.

Height of Light:—40 *shaku* above the base, 144 *shaku* above the water.

Character of Light:—Fourth order, flashing alternately red and white, every 15 seconds.

Illuminated arc:—An arc  $265^{\circ} 40'$ , from N.  $8^{\circ}$  W., through N., E., and S., to S.  $77^{\circ} 40'$  W. (magnetic bearings taken from the sea).

Power:—2,000 candles.

Visible distance:—18 nautical miles in clear night.

UTARŌ NODA,  
*Minister of State for Communications.*

TOKYO, *December 1st, 1919.*

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TRANSLATION.

*Notification No. 1551 of Department of Communications.*

**North Coast of Kyushu.**

NOTICE is hereby given that Okino-shima Staff Light, on Okino-shima, Tsushima Strait, was destroyed by fire on the 1st instant.

Further notice will be given when it has been reconstructed.

UTARŌ NODA,  
*Minister of State for Communications.*

TOKYO, *December 5th, 1919.*

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

**No. S. 374.**—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries" will be received at this Office until Noon on Monday the 22nd day of December, 1919, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong, Kowloon, and the New Territories, for one year from the 1st January, 1920.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the *bonâ fides* of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

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

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.