

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY,

BRITISH SECTION.

No. S. 335.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for the supply of Castings", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Saturday, the 28th day of November, 1925, for the supply of Castings for the use of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section), for the year 1926.

Forms of tender and further particulars may be obtained at the Railway Office, Kowloon.

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

No. S. 336.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for the supply of Lubricating Oils for the Kowloon-Canton Railway", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Saturday, the 28th day of November, 1925, for the supply of Lubricating Oils for the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section), from 1st January, 1926 to 31st December, 1926.

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 to the Office of the Manager at Kowloon, where forms of tender may be obtained.

H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.

13th November, 1925.

No. S. 337.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

Reference Gazette Notification No. S. 331 dated 6th November.

The Deputy Conservator, Calcutta, now notifies that the words Sunrise to Sunset occurring at the end of the notice should read Sunset to Sunrise.

HONGKONG, 9th November, 1925.

The following report dated 12th November, 1925, has been received from the Master, S.S. *Sze Chuen* :—

Passed at 6.30 this a.m. (11.11.25) a derelict junk, in Lat. 22° 32½' N., Long. 115° 38' E. The junk is a danger to navigation.

G. F. HOLE,
Harbour Master, &c.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT,
HONGKONG, 12th November, 1925.

Pilot Charts.

Pilot charts, showing the mean barometer pressure and wind direction and force over the China Sea, and the Eastern Sea, will shortly be published by the Royal Observatory, Hongkong.

A limited supply is available for ship captains, who may obtain copies on application to the Director.

They may be purchased by the General Public for \$3 a copy.

T. F. CLAXTON,
Director.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.
13th November, 1925.

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 178.

Safe Navigation of the Mine Fields.

At the request of the Bureau of Naval Affairs, Notice is hereby given that patrol Gun-boats are stationed in the vicinity of the Mine Fields to guide vessels entering or leaving in safety. If vessels passing Humun (Bocca Tigris) will carefully follow the guidance of the patrol boats, they can be assured that the vessel and her cargo will be perfectly safe.

No. 179.

Referring to Circular Notice to shipping issued by this Office, and dated 28th October 1925, which reads :—

“Notice is hereby given that the following information has been received from the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs stating :—

Communication in the region of Wangmoon (橫門) and Moto Moon (磨刀門) is completely stopped and the only channel to Kongmoon is the Saiwan Channel via Second Bar and Humun, which channel will be practically in military vigilance beginning from mid-night of the 28th. when no vessels will be allowed to pass at night time.”

Information has been received from the Commissioner of Customs, Kongmoon, to the effect that the above channels have been blocked with sunken junks loaded with stone.

J. A. SAMPLES,
Acting Harbour Master.

Approved :

F. HAYLEY BELL,
Commissioner of Customs,

CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS,
HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
CANTON, 4th November, 1925.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 744.

CHINA.

Yangtze River—Cooper Bank Crossing.

Marine Department Charts Nos. 3 and 12.

Correction Plan.

A Correction Plan for Marine Department Charts Nos. 3 and 12, showing recent soundings on the Cooper Bank Crossing and the new positions of Crossing Light-boat, Channel Light-beacon, and Pitman-King Shoal Buoy, is now procurable at the Coast Inspector's Office. Price 60 cents.

SHANGHAI, 29th October, 1925.

No. 745.

CHINA—YANGTZE RIVER.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Confucius Channel—Centaur Crossing.

New Channel Available—Buoys to be moved.

Notice is hereby given that, on or about the 21st November 1925, the following buoys will be moved to mark the new channel over the Centaur Crossing, Yangtze River, giving a least through depth of 31 feet at low water of extraordinary spring tides:—

Dove's Nest Upper Buoy will be moved about 1.0 miles S. $51\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ W., and its colour changed from *red* to *black*. This buoy will mark the southern side of the channel.

Actæon Buoy will be moved about 8.2 cables N. $35\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ W., and its colour changed from *red* to *black*. This buoy will mark the southern extremity of the shoal on the western side of the channel.

Centaur Lower Buoy will be moved about 2.2 miles N. $66\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ E., its characteristics remaining unchanged. This buoy will mark the western side of the channel.

Centaur Upper Buoy will be removed about 1.48 miles S. $80\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E., its characteristics remaining unchanged. This buoy will mark the southern side of the channel.

All bearings given are magnetic.

SHANGHAI, 3rd November, 1925.

No. 746.

CHINKIANG DISTRICT.

Vicinity of Pitman-King Island.

Cooper Bank Light-Boat to be moved.

Notice is hereby given that on or about the 15th November 1925, the Cooper Bank Light-boat will be moved about 8.5 cables S. 69° E. (magnetic) from its present position.

H. E. HELLMAN,

Coast Inspector.

THE MARITIME CUSTOMS,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,

SHANGHAI, 5th November, 1925.

HANKOW DISTRICT.

No. 1 of 1925.

Formation Of Shoals In The Hankow Harbour.

Notice is hereby given that three shoals, dangerous to navigation, and carrying 8 feet less than the Hankow Watermark, have formed in the Harbour. Their approximate positions are as follows :—

Section X.—One shoal, opposite Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's Lower Property, and distant 4.6 cables from the Hankow Bund.

Section VIII.—Two shoals, one opposite the Italian Consulate, distant 1.8 cables from the Hankow Bund, and the other opposite the Lower S.A.D. Pontoon, distant 1 cable from the Hankow Bund.

A chart, showing the conditions in the Harbour on 26th October, 1925, may be seen at the Harbour Office, Custom House.

C. S. C. DAVIES,
Harbour Master.

Approved:

J. W. H. FERGUSON,
Commissioner of Customs,

HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
HANKOW, 28th October, 1925.

No. 166.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

Conservancy Works in the Min River between Nantai and Kushan Point.

Referring to Notification No. 164, notice is hereby given that the two sampans, carrying each a red flag in the daytime and two white lights at night, which marked the southerly limits of the channel in front of the KUSHAN LONGITUDINAL DIKE will be discontinued on the 30th October, 1925.

No. 167.

Notice is hereby given that on and after the 1st November, 1925, the KUSHAN LONGITUDINAL DIKE will be marked at night with THREE RED LIGHTS, one each on the First, Fourth and Seventh Beacons, that is, there will be one light at each end of the dike and one at the centre.

J. CUSH,
Acting Assistant Harbour Master.

Approved:

A. S. CAMPBELL,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
FOOCHOW, 30th October, 1925.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE.

1925. No. 9.

The Astronomical positions are approximate unless seconds are given. The bearings are True and in degrees from 000° (North) to 359° measured clockwise, 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 mean H.W. springs.

AUSTRALIA—SOUTH COAST.

Gulf of St. Vincent. Port Adelaide.

Wonga Shoal Light (U)—Intended Alteration in character and power.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that the Single Flashing White Light (U) on Wonga Shoal will be replaced by a Group Flashing White Light (U) of increased power on or about 15th, January, 1926.

Position—On the north-western extreme of Wonga Shoal. Lat. 34° 49½' S. Long. 138° 27' E., on Chart No. 2389.

Details—

Character—Group Flashing White, showing two flashes every six seconds thus:—

Flash	Eclipse	Flash	Eclipse
½ sec.	1 sec.	½ sec.	4½ secs.

Power—3,000 candles.

Remarks—The other details of the light will remain unaltered. Further notice will be given when the alterations have been effected.

Charts affected—

Admiralty Chart No. 1750—Port Adelaide.

„ „ No. 2389—St. Vincent and Spencer Gulfs.

Publications affected—

Admiralty List of Lights and Visual Time Signals, Part VI., 1924, No. 2375.

MELBOURNE, 25th September, 1925.

1925. No. 10.

AUSTRALIA—EAST COAST.

Wide Bay.

Double Island Point Light—Intended alteration in period. Temporary light to be exhibited.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that the period and duration of flash of the White Flashing Light on Double Island Point will be reduced on or about 21st December, 1925.

Position—On the summit of Double Island Point. Lat. 25° 56' S. Long. 153° 13' E., on Chart No. 1068.

Details—

Character—Single Flashing White every two and one-half seconds, thus :—

<u>Flash</u>	<u>Eclipse</u>
$\frac{1}{3}$ sec.	$2\frac{1}{8}$ secs.

Remarks—The other details of the existing light will remain unchanged. Further notice will be given when the alteration has been effected.

Temporary light—The existing light will be extinguished on or about 7th December, 1925, in order that the necessary alterations may be carried out. During the interval a temporary White Flashing Light of low power showing one flash every three seconds, thus :—

<u>Flash</u>	<u>Eclipse</u>
$\frac{1}{3}$ sec.	$2\frac{3}{8}$ secs.

will be exhibited from the existing lighthouse tower.

Charts affected—

- Admiralty Chart No. 1068 —Moreton Bay to Sandy Cape.
- " " No. 3623 —Cape Byron to Lady Elliott Island.
- " " No. 2759B—Australia, southern portion.
- " " No. 780 —Pacific Ocean, South West Sheet.

Publications affected—

- Admiralty List of Lights, and Visual Time Signals, Part VI., 1924, No. 2621.
- Sailing Directions and other Information for the Ports and Harbours of Queensland, 1925, page 100.

By direction,

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

JOSHUA F. RAMSBOTHAM,
Director of Lighthouses.

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS,
MELBOURNE, 30th September, 1925.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 278.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for New Territories Service", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 21st day of December, 1925, for the provision of a Motor Bus Service between Laichikok and Un Loong, New Territories.

For form of tender, specification and further particulars apply at this Office.

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

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works.

9th October, 1925.