No. S. 252.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

Shipping is hereby cautioned that for a period of about two months divers will be employed at Kennedy Town in connection with the erection of an automatic self-recording tide gauge. Vessels using the Sulphur Channel are therefore requested to proceed at slow speed.

Shipping is hereby warned that Gun Practice will be carried out from Stonecutters Island on September 22nd, 27th and 30th, October 4th and 7th over an area S. 42° W. to N. 78° W. from the western extremity of Stonecutters Island.

2. Lyemun area.—On September 23rd and 28th, October 1st, 5th, 8th and 12th in the area contained between the line joining Pakshawan to Haiti on the north and Laoshuipai to Slope Island on the south.

Shipping is warned to proceed with caution when nearing this area.

The following report has been received from the Master, S. S. Lok Sun on 16th instant:—

In Latitude 9° 44′ N., Longitude 117° 22′ East, spar about 15 feet above water, floating in a nearly upright position, apparently attached to something under water. This position is about 60 miles West of the Island of Palawan.

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

Hong Kong, 16th September, 1926.

No. 865.

CHINA—KWANTUNG PENINSULA.

DAIREN HARBOUR.

Light-Beacon Re-established.

Notice is hereby given that the Japanese Harbour Authorities at Dairen, in a Notification dated 28th August, 1926, have issued the following information:—

The Oil Pier Light on the northern extremity of the Jijiko Oil Pier, which has been discontinued since July, 1924, on account of the Oil Pier being damaged, has been recreeded and will be lighted from the 1st September, 1926, under the administration of the South Manchuria Railway Company.

Name of light—Light-pole of Jijiko Oil Pier (Unwatched).

Location—On the northern extremity of Jijiko Oil Pier, bearing S. 34° 30′ E., distant 2,600 metres from the Southern Light of the east entrance to the Dairen Harbour.

Position—Latitude 38° 55′ 19″ N. (approximate); longitude 121° 40′ 53″ E. (approximate).

Kind of light-Fixed.

Miles seen in clear weather—About 11 miles.

Description of light-tower—White concrete pole.

Height of centre of light above the mean level of water—18.14 metres. Height of building from base to vane—12.13 metres. Character and order of illuminating apparatus—Electric bulb (750 watt). Remarks—Green, visible all round.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

B. H. GOWING,

Acting Coast Inspector.

THE MARITIME CUSTOMS,

MARINE DEPARTMENT,

SHANGHAI, 7th September, 1926.

HARBOUR NOTIFICATION.

No. 11 of 1926.

Medical Inspection of Vessels arriving from Tsingtao.

Notice is hereby given that the Superintendent of Customs and the Treaty Power Consuls have declared the Port of Tsingtao to be Cholera-infected.

All vessels arriving therefrom are to abide, and be governed by the Sanitary Regulations for the ports of Tientsin and Chinwangtao.

For the present, precautions will be confined to medical inspection.

E. B. GREEN, Acting Harbour Master.

Approved:

C. WILSON,

Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,

Tientsin, 7th September, 1926.

No. 5 of 1926.

Mine field laid at Entrance to Swatow Harbour.

Notice is hereby given that mines have been laid, by the Military Authorities, near Masu, at the Entrance to Swatow Harbour.

The following Regulations governing traffic through this mine field, are published by the Military Authorities:—

- 1. In order to defend the port of Swatow at the present juncture of the campaign against the North, mines are to be laid in the waters at Masu, Swatow.
- 2. During the time that mines are laid, all vessels, merchantmen as well as Men-of-war, of all nationalities, with the exception of Men-of-war from the North, may enter and leave as usual, but they must abide by the following Regulations.

- 3. The time for leaving and entering the port is fixed for the hours between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Vessels may not proceed at night, either in or out. All incoming Men-of-war should give 24 hours notice of their expected arrival to the Military Headquarters, so that protection may be given and misunderstanding avoided.
- 4. For their own safety, vessels (including Men-of-war) should slow down when reaching the waters at Masu.
- 5. The above rules come into force on the 1st September, 1926.

O. H. SCHMITTO, Harbour Master.

Approved:

R. F. C. HEDGELAND,

Commissioner of Customs.

CUSTOM HOUSE,

SWATOW, 11th September, 1926.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 234.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for the supply of Head Stones", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Tuesday, the 28th day of September, 1926, for the supply of Head Stones for use in the Government Cemeteries, for the period of one year from the 1st January next.

Tenderers must produce a receipt that they have deposited in the Treasury the sum of \$50 as a pledge of the bona fides of their tender, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if any tenderer fails or refuses to carry out his tender, should the tender be accepted.

For full particulars apply at the Office of the Secretary to the Sanitary Board.

For form of tender apply at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract containing conditions to be prescribed by the Board and also to give security by depositing a sum of \$200 in the Treasury: failing compliance with these requirements the sum deposited with the tender will be forfeited.

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

N. L. Smith, Head of the Sanitary Department. The Contract of the Contract o

10th September, 1926.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 235.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for the Blood and Hair Contract, Kennedy Town", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Tuesday, the 28th September, 1926, for the daily collection and removal of blood and hair from the Slaughter House situated at Kennedy Town in the City of Victoria, for the period of one year from the 1st January next.

The contractor shall at all times keep the Slaughter House in a thorough state of cleanliness, for which service he shall maintain as many coolies as may, in the opinion of the Sanitary Board, be necessary, but the number shall in no case be less than eleven, one of whom shall be employed as a fireman. The contractor shall also provide the necessary brooms and baskets.