

Temporary Light.

Also, that a temporary *fixed* white light of the sixth order is now exhibited near the above lighthouse, visible between the bearings N.N.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ F round by west and south to S.S.E. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. The light is, from some positions, obscured by a point of the mainland and Alceste island between S. by E. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. and S.S.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. It is elevated 160 feet above the sea, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of 8 miles.

[All Bearings are Magnetic. Variation 4° Westerly in 1874.]

By Command of their Lordships,

FREDK. J. EVANS,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 21st October 1874.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Pe-chili and Liau-tung gulfs, No. 1256; Nipon, Kiusiu, and part of Korea, No. 2347; Hong Kong to Liau-tung gulf, No. 1262, and Kamchatka to Chusan islands, No. 2459: Also, China Pilot, 4th edition, page 281, and the Admiralty List of Lights in South Africa, East Indies, China, Japan, Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand, 1874, No. 181.

Agent for the Sale of Admiralty Charts, Mr. J. D. POTTER, 31, Poultry, London, E.C.

The substance of this Notice, as soon as it is received on board, is to be inserted in red ink on the Charts affected by it; and introduced into the margin, or otherwise in the page, of the Sailing Directions to which it relates. See Instructions, Navigation and Pilotage, p. 172.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 148.]

GULF OF SIAM.

Fixed Light, Entrance of Bangkok River.

Information has been received from the Acting Consul General in Siam, that a light is now exhibited from a screw-pile lighthouse recently erected inside the bar at the entrance of Bangkok river, Siam.

The light is a *fixed* white light, elevated 44 feet above the level of high water, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of about 10 miles.

The illuminating apparatus is of the third order.

The lighthouse is situated on the edge of the bank in lat. 13° 29' 26" N., long. 100° 35' 20" E.

By Command of their Lordships,

FREDK. J. EVANS,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 28th October 1874.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Gulf of Siam, No. 2414; Koh-Ta-Kut to Liant cape, No. 2720; and Bangkok river, No. 999: Also, The Admiralty List of Lights in South Africa, East Indies, China, Japan, &c., 1874, No. 166; and China Sea Directory, Vol. II., page 318.

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No. 209.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The subjoined Post Office Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 23rd December, 1874.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

It is hereby notified for general information that, on and after the 1st January, 1875, the Postage on Correspondence forwarded by *Private Ship* to the Straits Settlements must be prepaid at the following rates, viz.:—

For Letters,	8 cents per half ounce.
For Papers,	2 „ each.
For Book Packets and Packets of Patterns, ...	6 „ for each four ounces.

The registration fee on such correspondence is Twelve cents for each Letter, Paper or Packet.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 23rd December, 1874.