

No. 108.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Commission under the Hand and Seal of His Excellency the Governor is published for general information.

By Command,

W. H. MARSH,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th April, 1879.

[L.S.] J. POPE HENNESSY.

Whereas it is expedient and for the furtherance of public interests, that certain enquiries and investigations should be made touching the regulations and the machinery in force for the detection and suppression of public gaming in the Colony of Hongkong, and whereas such enquiry and investigation will be most conveniently prosecuted by means of a Commission:

I, JOHN POPE HENNESSY, Companion of the most distinguished Order of Saint MICHAEL and Saint GEORGE, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, do hereby under my Hand and the Seal of the said Colony, appoint you JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS, Esquire, Acting Puisne Judge, the Honourable MALCOLM STRUAN TONNOCHY, Acting Colonial Treasurer, and Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, CHARLES VANDELEUR CREAGH, Esquire, Acting Police Magistrate, and the Reverend ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Master of Arts, Doctor of Philosophy, and Inspector of Schools, or any three of you, to be a Commission for instituting and prosecuting all needful or proper enquiries in that behalf, and to take evidence in the premises, and to report to me all evidence so taken by you, and also your opinions thereon. And I do hereby require you to commence your enquiries forthwith, and to proceed therein continuously, and to make your report to me as aforesaid with all reasonable despatch. And I do hereby empower you, during the course, and for the purposes of your said Commission, to demand and obtain access at all times to all Papers, Records, and Documents relating to the subject matter of the said Commission being in the custody and under the control of the several Public Departments within this Colony. And from time to time to call before you and examine all persons superintending or employed in or under any of the said Departments. And I do hereby charge all persons in the Public Service to be aiding and assisting unto you herein.

Given under my Hand and under the Seal of the Colony of Hongkong at Victoria, in the said Colony, this Twenty-ninth day of April, One thousand Eight hundred and Seventy-nine.

By Command,

W. H. MARSH,
Colonial Secretary.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Notices to Mariners are published for general information.

By Command,

W. H. MARSH,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office Hongkong, 29th April, 1879.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The Master of the British barque "*Aleppo*," Official Number 55,932, reported to the undersigned that a dangerous Rock, not marked on the Charts, exists about a quarter of a mile due South of Tytami Island, with only one fathom of water over it at low water.

J. P. McEUE, R.N.,
Acting Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 28th April, 1879.

Government of India.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 14.]

BAY OF BENGAL—BRITISH BURMA.

Sunket Dangers Between Alguada Reef and Diamond Island.

Notice is hereby given that a recent examination of the approaches to the Bassein river made by the Superintendent of Marine Surveys, exhibits five separate shoal ridges—on which are rocky patches with from 4 to 13 feet water on them—lying in a N. E. and S. W. direction, between Alguada reef and Diamond island, Bassein river entrance.