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PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] J. POPE HENNESSY,
Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

By His Excellency 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.

Whereas a despatch has been received from the Right Honourable Sir MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH, Bart., M.P., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying to me Her Majesty's Gracious Confirmation and Allowance of the following Ordinance; namely:—

No. 5 of 1878, entitled—*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to apply a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and Seventy-nine thousand dollars to the Public Service of the Year 1879.*

Now, therefore, it is hereby Proclaimed, that the said Ordinance has been so confirmed and allowed as aforesaid.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. H. MARSH,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Government House, Hongkong, this 22nd Day of September, 1879.

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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, 24th September, 1879.

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. 107.]

CHINA SEA—PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. MINDORO STRAIT.

(1) *Shoal Eastward of Busuanga Island.*

The following information has been received from Mr. Bidwell, Master of the British ship *Mervanjee Framjee*, relative to the existence of a shoal lying eastward of Busuanga island, southern entrance of Mindoro strait:—

This danger (*Framjee rock*), on which the *Mervanjee Framjee* touched on 15th November 1878, appeared to be of small extent and steep to, the general depth over it was estimated to be from 24 to 26 feet; it lies with the following bearings, viz.:—

South extreme of Calanhayaun,.....N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N.
Calis point (Coron peninsula),.....S.W. by W.

Position approximate, lat. 12° 0' N., long. 120° 32' E.

CHINA—EAST COAST. LEMA ISLANDS—TAITAMI CHANNEL.

(2) *Sunken Rock Southward of Taitami Islet.*

The following information has been received from Lieutenant Grey, commanding H. M. Gun-Boat *Mosquito*, of the existence of a sunken rock lying about $3\frac{1}{2}$ cables southward of Taitami islet, northern side of Taitami channel, approach to Hong Kong:—