

During the south-west monsoon, or from 15th March to 31st October, a blue light will be burnt every half hour between 7 P.M. and 5 A.M. In the north-east monsoon, or from 1st November to 14th March, a blue light will be burnt every hour between 7 P.M. and 5 A.M.

Pilot's Ridge Light-vessel.

This light will be altered to a single flashing white light in periods of sixty seconds, the duration of each flash being about ten seconds, and of the dark interval fifty seconds.

This light will only be shown from the 15th March to the 31st October, inclusive. A blue light will be burnt every hour between 7 P.M. and 5 A.M.

By direction of the Government of Bengal,

ARTHUR W. STIFFE,
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Audacious at Hongkong,
27th January, 1886.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO., No. 6.

The following information obtained from Captain C. H. Palmer, Harbour Master at Amoy, refers to Admiralty Charts No. 1767, Amoy Harbours and approaches-Corr : iii 1883, and No. 1764, Amoy Inner Harbour-Corr : xii 1882 :—

AMOY.

Minerva Rock.—A black Nun buoy 7ft. 6in. in diameter, with *Minerva* painted on it in white letters, has been moored in 4 fathoms 50 yards S.E. of the shoalest part of the rock.

AMOY INNER HARBOUR.

Coker Rock dries at low water Spring Tides, the buoys marking this danger are conical and the same size. The eastern one is black and white chequered, and the western one is red and white chequered.

Brown Rock has 7ft. over it at low water Spring Tides, the buoys marking it are similar to those mentioned in the China Sea Directory, Vol. iii 1884.

Iltis Rock the west side of the Harbour lies S.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. half a cable from the southern Black Stone Beacon, which is off Ling-Tau, it has 5ft. over it at low water Spring Tides.

Therese Rock the east side of the harbour lies S.S.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 500ft. from H.W. Rock, and has 8ft. over it at low water Spring Tides.

Banner Rock the east side of the harbour, is a small pinnacle with 10ft. over it at low water Spring Tides.

Kellett Spit.—Owing to the extension of this Spit the buoy marking it, which is conical and painted with red and black vertical stripes, has been shifted 540ft. N.N.E. from its old position.

R. VESEY HAMILTON,
Vice-Admiral, and Commander-in-Chief.

To the Commodore and respective Captains, Commanders, and
Officers Commanding Her Majesty's Ships
and vessels employed on the China Station.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 28.

The following Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 23rd January, 1886.

NOTICE.

Under the provisions of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, notice is hereby given that a Special Sessions of the Justices of the Peace will be held at the Police Magistrates' Court, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Friday, the 5th day of March, 1886, and thereafter on the first Friday of every month for the purpose of considering applications for granting or transferring Spirit Licences during the year 1886.

Such applications to be lodged at the Police Magistrates' Court at least ten days before each of the Sessions now notified.

The notice dated the 6th November, 1885, is hereby cancelled.

ALFRED G. WISE,
Police Magistrate,
for Police Magistrates.

Police Magistrates' Office, Hongkong, 20th January, 1886.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 43.

The following Notice under the Contagious Diseases Ordinance, 1867, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th January, 1886.

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ORDINANCE, 1867.

It is hereby notified that the part of the house hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, the First Floor of No. 22, Tsz Mi Lane, was, on the 25th day of January, 1886, pursuant to Section 23 of the above Ordinance, declared by me under my Hand and Seal of Office to be an Unlicensed Brothel.

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J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Acting Registrar General.

Registrar General's Office, Hongkong, 25th January, 1886.