

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 84.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Friday, the 12th March, for cleaning and painting the wooden houses of the Tytam Water-works at Tytam and Wongneich'ung.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

For specification and further particulars apply at the Surveyor General's Office.

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

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th March, 1886.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 85.

The following Hydrographic Notices are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th March, 1886.

Audacious at Sea, { Lat. 13° 6' N.
Long. 100° 34' E.

14th February, 1886.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO., No. 7.

Ballintang Islands.

From information received from H.M.S. *Constance*, Ballintang Islands are considered to lie in Lat. 20° N. and Long. 126° 7' E.

A depth of 17 fathoms was obtained in Lat. 22° 24' N. and Long. 116° 29' E.

This notice affects Admiralty Charts 781, 2661 B, 2454, 1962, 2683, and China Directory, Vol. iii. p. 257.

Singapore.—Main Strait.

A stone beacon, surmounted by a cage, both painted red, has been placed on the N.W. extreme of the Coral patch situated N.W. of Tree Island (Pulo Angup.)

Lat., 1° 9' 30" N.
Long., 103° 39' 36" E.

The beacon bears N. 45½°, W. distant 7½ cables, from Tree Island.

A tripod beacon, surmounted by a cage, both painted red, now marks the Rock situated S.E. by E. from Middle Island (Po Sabaroot.)

Lat., 1° 11' 58" N.
Long., 103° 48' 38" E.

A red stone beacon has been placed on the centre of the Coral Patch, situated 1 mile S.W. of Tanjong Rawang.

Lat., 1° 18' 30" N.
Long., 103° 38' 12" E.

A red stone beacon, surmounted by a basket painted red, has been placed on the Eastern part of the Coral patch "Terumbo Sileger."

Lat., 1° 13' 42" N.
Long., 103° 40' 42" E.

The beacon bears N. 34° W., 7 cables from the North West Sister.

This Notice affects Admiralty Charts 2404, 1355, 2403, and Vol. i China Sea Directory of 1873, pages 83 and 94.

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

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

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

HAINAN STRAITS.

The Master of the British Steam-ship *Lorne* reports that the vessel recently touched on a Sand-bank in Lat. $20^{\circ} 3' N.$ and Long. $109^{\circ} 36' E.$

The bank is described as being of an acute oval shape, about 100 feet long by 30 feet wide, with 3 fathoms of water and black sandy bottom.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY, Ret. Com., R.N.,
Acting Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1886.

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 Admiralty Instructions, Navigation and Pilotage, pp. 312 & 313.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 2.)

EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO.

JAVA—NOR. COAST.

Batavia—Time Signal at Tanjong Priok.

The Netherlands Government has given Notice, that on 10th November 1885, the following time signal would be established at Tanjong Priok (New harbour of Batavia).

The signal consists of four circular discs, placed on an iron support near the entrance of the inner basin; the signal is made once daily, Sundays and fête days excepted, as follows:—

The discs are inclined at an angle of 45° as preparatory 5 minutes before signal, placed vertical 2 minutes before signal, and dropped into a horizontal position at noon local mean time—equivalent to 13h. 52m. 27.5s. Greenwich mean time.

Position of time signal, lat. $6^{\circ} 5' 48'' S.$, long. $106^{\circ} 53' 07'' E.$
(Batavia Observatory being in long. $106^{\circ} 48' 37'' E.$)

By Command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. WHARTON,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 1st January, 1886.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty plan:—Batavia roads, No. 933: Also, Hydrographic Notice, No. 26 of 1885, page 8; and List of Time Signals, 1880, page 18.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 8.)

EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO.

SUNDA STRAIT—JAVA.

Fourth Point—Re-Exhibition of Permanent Light, and Discontinuance of Provisional Light.

With reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 64 (2), of 5th April 1884, on the intended re-exhibition of the permanent light from a lighthouse then to be erected on Fourth point (Tanjong Tikoening), Java, and discontinuance of the provisional light.

The Netherlands Government has given further Notice, that on 16th December 1885, the permanent light would be re-exhibited, and the provisional light discontinued.

The light is a *fixed* white light of the second order, elevated 180 feet above high water, and should be visible in clear weather from a distance of 20 miles.

The lighthouse, 177 feet high, constructed of iron and twelve-sided, is situated 55 yards farther inland than that destroyed during the eruption of Krakatoa in 1883; the keeper's dwelling, which surrounds the lighthouse, is of stone; both are painted white.

Position, lat. $6^{\circ} 4' 20'' S.$, long., $105^{\circ} 52' 50'' E.$

By Command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. WHARTON,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 8th January, 1886.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Indian ocean, No. 748b; Eastern archipelago, with plan of Sunda strait, No. 941a; Sunda strait, No. 2056; Also, Admiralty List of Lights in South Africa, &c., 1885, No. 170; and China Sea Directory, vol. I., 1878, page 166.