

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 325.

The following Hydrographic Notices are published for general information.
By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th July, 1888.

Government of China.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 221.

CHINA SEA.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Woosung Inner Bar Marks.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in consequence of the washing away of the river bank, the Woosung Inner Bar Marks have been shifted about 95 feet to the northward, to positions where they indicate a line bearing about N. 84° 30' W., magnetic.

Vessels entering—on this line—should port about half a point when abreast of the mouth of the Bar Creek (below the telegraph cable hut), in order to get the deepest water on the upper part of the Bar.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

E. V. BRENAN,
Acting Coast Inspector.

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS,
COAST INSPECTOR'S OFFICE,
SHANGHAI. 3rd July 1888.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 44.

Notice is hereby given that No. 3 Fairway Buoy has been removed a cable to the northward of its former position, in consequence of the extension of the Rees Bank. It is now moored in the Fairway Channel in 6½ fathoms at low water, spring tides.

Rees Bank: extension of.

S. PARKHILL,
Harbour Master.

Approved:

R. B. MOORHEAD,
Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House, Foochow, 6th July, 1888.

"AUDACIOUS" AT YOKOHAMA,
22nd June, 1888.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO: No. 26.

CHINA.

Chusan Archipelago.—A sunken rock has lately been discovered by H.M.S. *Rambler*, near the Rugged Islands, in the Chusan Archipelago. It has been named the Huxley Rock, and has 2ft. over it at L.W.S. From it, the summit of Tayung Island bears N. 26° W., distant 8¾ cables. The highest and left hand peak of Tripoint Island, just open of the South point of the S.E. bay of Tayung Island bearing N. 19° W., leads 3 cables E. of Huxley Rock.

Chart affected No. 1199.

Yung River.—H.M.S. *Swift* reports that from information received from a Ningpo Pilot, the shoalest water in the Yung River (9ft. at L.W.S.) is immediately below Pawnbrokers, and not 1 mile below it. Caution is necessary when passing Sesostris Rock, the buoy marking which, appears to be very slackly moored.

Chart affected No. 1592; China Sea Directory Vol. iii, p. 400.

Formosa.—Kelung.—The clause relating to Kelung, Formosa, in Hydrographic Memo. No. 22, of 6th December, 1887, is hereby cancelled. H.M.S. *Heroine* reports the existence of a rock near Kelung Island, with 15ft. water on it; S. 29° W. ¾ mile from N.W. Rock. From 5 to 7 fathoms was obtained within 1½ cables of it.

Chart affected No. 2618; China Sea Directory Vol. iii, p. 297.

NOWELL SALMON,
Vice-Admiral, and Commander-in-Chief.

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

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, 1887, Navigation and Pilotage, p. 368.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 145 of the year 1888.]

AUSTRALIA—SOUTH COAST.

LACEPEDE BAY.

(1.) *Sunken Rocks Reported south-Westward of Nation Rock and North-Westward of Cape Jaffa.*

Information has been received from the Marine Board of South Australia, dated 9th January 1888, of the existence of the following sunken rocks, lying respectively south-westward of Nation rock, and north-westward of Cape Jaffa, Lacepede bay, South Australia:—

(1.) A rock of small extent, having a least depth of 7 feet at low water, and with $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms a quarter of a cable off all round, is situated about one mile south-westward of Nation rock.

Position, lat. $36^{\circ} 41' 45''$ S., long. $139^{\circ} 49' 30''$ E.

(2.) Two rocky heads, lying about 6 yards apart, and having a depth of 12 feet over them, are reported to be situated about three-quarters of a mile east-ward of No. 1 rock.

Position, lat. $36^{\circ} 41' 45''$ S., long. $139^{\circ} 50' 30''$ E.

(3.) A rock is reported to be situated with cape Jaffa lighthouse bearing about S. by W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W., distant $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and cape Jaffa S.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. Although this rock is stated by the Harbour-Master at port Carlisle to be well known to the lighthouse-keepers, it was not found in a search made by the commander of the Colonial steam-vessel *Governor Musgrave*, and its existence is considered doubtful.

Position, as reported, lat. $36^{\circ} 55' 15''$ S., long. $139^{\circ} 37'$ E.

AUSTRALIA—EAST COAST.

(2) Shoal Ground North-Eastward of Cartwright Point.

The Government of Queensland has given Notice, dated 20th March 1888, of the existence of shoal ground, north-eastward of Cartwright point, northward of Moreton bay, east coast of Australia.

A rocky patch, about 2 cables in extent, the depth on which does not exceed $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, lies midway between Gneering shoal, and the 8 fathoms patch 2 miles to the eastward; this $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms patch is situated with Cartwright point bearing S.W., distant 3 miles. In bad weather the sea breaks heavily on the above patch, and also on Gneering shoal.

At a distance of half a mile eastward of the above 8 fathoms patch, the depth does not exceed $7\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms, and broken water is said to have been seen still further to the south-eastward. Vessels are therefore cautioned not to approach this part of the coast in bad weather.

Position, $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, lat. $26^{\circ} 39' 40''$ S., long. $153^{\circ} 12' 30''$ E.

CAUTION.—The leading mark on admiralty Chart, Moreton bay to Sandy cape, No. 1068, for avoiding Gneering shoal; viz., Summit of large sand patch in line with Low bluff, N. by W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W., leads close to the above $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, and is no longer available.

The bearings are magnetic. Variation, $\left. \begin{array}{l} (1) 5\frac{3}{4}^{\circ} \\ (2) 8\frac{3}{4}^{\circ} \end{array} \right\}$ Easterly in 1888.

By Command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. WHARTON,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 25th May 1888.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Australia, southern portion, No. 2759b (1); cape Jervis to Guichen bay, No. 1014 (1) Laccpede bay, &c., No. 1006 (1); Moreton bay to Sandy cape, No. 1068 (2); Also, Australia Directory, Vol. I. 1884, pages 253, 254; and; Australia Directory, Vol. II., 1879, page 97.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 310.

The following Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th July, 1888.

NOTICE.

A special sessions of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace will be held at the Justices' Room at the Magistracy, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Monday, the sixteenth day of July, 1888, for the purpose of considering an application for the temporary transfer of the licence of the *Rose, Shamrock, and Thistle* Hotel, from CARL BERCOVITZ to ISRAEL WEINBERG.

H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Police Magistrate.

Magistracy, Hongkong, 5th July, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 300.

The following is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th June, 1888.

NOTICE.

The following revised Rates of Postage on Parcels despatched to the United Kingdom will come into force on 1st August, 1888.

1 lb.,	25 cents.
Each succeeding lb. or fraction of a lb.,	20 „

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,
Acting Postmaster General.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,

HONGKONG, 30TH JUNE, 1888.