

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 449.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Thursday, the 18th instant:—

1. For a new mortuary at the Civil Hospital.
2. For repairs to Murray Road.

For forms of tender apply at this Office.

For specifications 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,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th October, 1888.

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The following Hydrographic Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th October, 1888.

"IMPERIEUSE" AT PORT LAZAREFFE,  
11th September, 1888.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO: No. 33.  
JAPAN.

*Buoy off Naga Ura Yedo Gulf.*—A white cylindrical Buoy has been laid down in 31 fathoms distant about 1½ miles from Saratoga Spit Buoy, for mooring the Quarantine vessel.

Magnetic bearings as published, ..... { Kanonsaki Lighthouse S. 28° E.  
East End Saru Sima S. W.  
North End Natu Sima N. 62° W.

*Chart No. 2657.*

*Shirakami Saki.*—On the 15th September a 2nd ord. Revolving Light, shewing alternate White and Red flashes every 40 seconds, will be exhibited on the above Cape, from an Iron Lighthouse 50 feet high, 120 feet above the sea. The position as given is Latitude 41° 24' 20" N. Longitude 140° 12' 40" E.

*Charts Nos. 452 and 2441.*

*Sailing Directions Vol. IV. page 568.*

## RUSSIAN TARTARY.

*C. Disappointment.*—Sea Horizon Sights obtained by H.M.S. "Imperieuse" passing Cape Disappointment placed this Cape 8 miles West of its position on chart No. 2405, from Kamida Creek Hakodate 140° 43' 44" E. Sights were obtained off Vladimir and Askold Island. Chronometers were then correct.

The following information confirming the above, was obtained from the Russian Corvette *Rynda*, just returned from a survey of this Coast.

On Chart No. 2405.

Vladimir Bay is correct.

South Point .....	is 0' 30" to West of its position.
Plastvon Bay .....	is 1' 30" "
St. Alexander Pt. ....	is 8' 00" W. by N. " of its position.
Cape Olympiad .....	is 8' 30" " " "
Baklanii Point .....	is 9' 00" " " "
Cape Suffren .....	is 5' 30" Northward " "

Furthermore it was thought the Coast to the Northward was greatly in error.

## CHINA SEA.

*Exceptionally Strong Current.*—The British S.S. *Glenfruin* reports that on the 1st. and 2nd. August between 7° and 10° North Lat. and 110° to 112° East Longitude, a current to S.S. Eastward of 71 miles in 24 hours, was experienced. Monsoon S.W. 6 to 8.

## COCOS ISLANDS.

*South Keeling Island.*—H.M.S. *Firebrand* reports that the rock shewn on Chart 2510, in Lat: 12° 5' 50" S. Long: 96° 53' 10" E. (Mag:) with less than 6ft. of water over it, does not exist. Good anchorage was found in the same position: coral, and sandy bottom.

*Chart 2510. China Sea Directory Vol. I page 226.*

NOWELL SALMON,  
*Vice-Admiral.*

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

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 407.

The following is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th September, 1888.

## BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

*Opium and other Farms for the ensuing Year 1889.*

The Government are now prepared to receive up to the 15th November next, tenders for the following farms:—