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PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX.

By His Excellency Sir G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, Knight Commander 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 by section 3 of the *Chinese Passengers' Act, 1855*, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor of Hongkong by Proclamation for the purposes of the said Act among other things to declare what shall be deemed to be the duration of the voyage of any Chinese Passenger Ship.

Now, therefore, I, the said Sir G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, the Governor aforesaid, under and by virtue of the powers conferred on me by the said Act, do hereby Proclaim and Declare that the following shall be the rule of computation by which the length of a voyage of a ship propelled by steam going not less than Seven Nautical Miles per hour from Hongkong to Deli in Sumatra, namely, 11 days.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the Colony, at Victoria, Hongkong, this 13th day of October, 1888.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 451.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that Target Practice will take place from Stone Cutters' Island Batteries on Monday, the 15th instant, from 4 to 6 P.M.

The direction of the fire will be nearly due West from Stone Cutters' Island West Battery.

All Junks and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 10th October, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 452.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise, provisionally, and until further notice, BERNHARD BUSCHMANN, Esquire, as in charge of the Netherlands Consulate at this Port.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th October, 1888.