

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 510.

The following Lots of Crown Land at Yaumati, Kowloon, will be sold by Public Auction, on Monday, the 19th day of November, 1888, at 4 P.M.

Inland Lots Nos. 313 to 321, 334 to 336, 322 to 333, and 346 to 357 inclusive.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 500 of the 10th instant.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th November, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 511.

The following Hydrographic Notices are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th November, 1888.

Government of South Australia.

NOTICE TO MARINERS, PILOTS, AND OTHERS.

No. 11 of 1888.

GULF OF St. VINCENT.

PORT ADELAIDE RIVER.

Notice is hereby given, that the deepening operations have been so far completed that a depth of not less than 20 feet, at ordinary low water, or 28 feet at ordinary high water, spring tides, will now be found in the channel of the Port Adelaide River, from the anchorage to the wharves.

The first cutting, through what is known as the Outer Bar, is 250 feet wide, and 22 feet deep at low water. To keep in the centre of this cutting, No. 12 Beacon and the Leading Light Beacon should be kept in line, until about one and a half cables past the Reflecting Beacon.

The next cutting commences about mid-way between Nos. 11 and 10 Light Beacons, and continues 250 feet wide and 20 feet deep, at low water, until abreast of No. 8 Light Beacon (Schnapper Point). It then gradually widens to 450 feet abreast of the No. 7 Light Beacon, decreases to 250 feet abreast of No. 6 Light Beacon, and continues the same width and depth to the north end of the Coalshed Creek Wharf, with the exception of immediately opposite Nos. 3 and 2 Light Beacons, where the channel is 300 feet wide.

Opposite the Government Coalshed Creek Wharf the channel has been widened to 550 feet, with not less than 21 feet at low water. Alongside this wharf, for a distance of 1,650 feet by 100 feet wide, a depth of 24 feet at low water has been provided.

From the Coalshed Wharf to the Jervois Bridge the channel varies in width from 300 feet to 450 feet, with a depth of 20 and 21 feet at low water.

The widths mentioned refer to the deep water channel, the River itself being, of course, much wider.

The mid-channel course, between Nos. 2 and 3 Light Beacons, may be obtained by keeping in line two Black Leading Beacons, with V-shaped heads, on Torrens Island.

The channel throughout is marked by Red Buoys and Light Beacons on the starboard hand, and Black Buoys on the port hand coming in, except where Leading Beacons are provided.

THOS. N. STEPHENS,
Secretary Marine Board.

Marine Board Offices, Port Adelaide,
September 20th, 1888.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 12 of 1888.

Port Adelaide, Semaphore Anchorage.

REMOVAL OF HULK "BEATRICE."

Referring to Notice to Mariners, No. 8 of 1888, Masters of Vessels, Pilots, and others are hereby informed that the light previously exhibited at the Semaphore Anchorage from the hulk *Fitzjames*, and now shown from the *Beatrice*, will be discontinued after the night of the 30th November, 1888.

Arrangements will probably be made for providing lights ashore to lead to the Ocean Steamers' mooring buoy; but further notice as to this will be given in due course.

THOS. N. STEPHENS,
Secretary Marine Board.

Marine Board Offices, Port Adelaide,
September 21st, 1888.

Government of Japan.

Notification No. 183 of Department of Communications.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

KITA NAKANE BUOY.

APPROACH TO YOKOSUKA HARBOUR.

Notice is hereby given that a Buoy has been Moored to mark the position of the Sunken Rock called Nakane, with $3\frac{1}{2}$ Fathoms of water on it, East of Natsushima, near the entrance to Yokosuka, Gulf of Tokio.
The cross bearings from the Buoy are as follow:—

N. end of Natsushima	N. 82° W. true.
Center of Hashima	S. 11° W. true.
Center of Sarushima	S. 31° E. true.

The Buoy is made of iron, conical in shape, painted Red, and is surmounted by a cage the top of which stands 10 feet above the sea.

It is moored directly to the eastward of the rock in 4 Fathoms of water at Low Water Springs.

There is another Sunken Rock called Oyama-Dashi with $3\frac{1}{4}$ Fathoms of water to the westward of the Buoy, distant about 2 cables from it.

There is also a rock called Okinone, with $4\frac{3}{4}$ Fathoms of water, to the northeastward of the Buoy, distant about 1 mile from it and right in the fairway.

VISCOUNT ENOMOTO TAKEAKI,
Minister of State for Communications.

Tokio, 31st October, 1888.

“IMPERIEUSE,” AT HAKODATE,
24th September, 1888.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO: No. 34.

COREA.

Gensan Bay.—H.M.S. *Porpoise* reports having grounded on a mud Bank with 12 feet on it, in this Bay, situated as under.

East extreme of Chotokuto Island N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N.
West extreme Murairef Point, N.E. by N.

Chart No. 54.

COCOS ISLANDS.

South Keeling Island.—With reference to Hydrographical Memo: No. 33. 1888, the Rock referred to is shewn on Chart No. 2510 to lie W. $\frac{3}{4}$ S. 4 cables from the centre of Workhouse Island.

SAGHALIEN.

Karsakovsk Roads.—Several rocky patches of from 12 to 20 feet exist in the vicinity of the anchorage indicated on Chart No. 2192.

The anchorage recommended on the new Russian plan is Lighthouse N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Enduma Point, S.S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ E. (Mag.)

It is advisable for ships not provided with the new plan to anchor to the westward of the bearings N. $\frac{1}{2}$ W. and S. by W. $\frac{3}{4}$ W. of the position given above.

Least water shewn on these bearings for 6 cables being 23 feet, Variation 6° 45' W.

Chart No. 2192, China Sea Directory Vol. IV. p. 604.

RHIO STRAITS.

Rock touched by “Orion.”—The Shoal on which H.M.S. *Orion* struck has been found by H. N. M. Ship *Pontianak*. It lies with the S.W. Point of Little Loban bearing E. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. distant nearly 4 cables, 16 feet on it at low water with 6 to 8 fathoms close round it. A Buoy will shortly mark it.

Vide Hydrographical Memo: No. 32 of 1888.

CELEBES.

Macassar Straits.—A Sandbank drying at low water, has been reported off Kg. Soeramana southward of Palos Bay.

Chart No. 2636.

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.