

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 23.

The following Hydrographic Notices are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th January, 1889.

Government of China.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,

No. 226.

CHINA SEA.

TAMSUI DISTRICT.

Direction Lights at entrance of Tamsui Harbour.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th November 1888 two Direction Lights were exhibited to mark the channel over the Bar at the entrance of Tamsui Harbour.

High Light.

The illuminating apparatus is fixed, Dioptric, of the Sixth Order, showing a *white* light from S. 52° E. round by east to N. 68½° E.

The light-pillar is situated on the hill to the north of the harbour, about 400 yards in a S. 86° E. direction from the Red Fort, and has a total height of 35 feet from base to vane.

The Light is elevated 142 feet above high water, and should be visible in clear weather at a distance of 10 nautical miles.

The pillar and lantern are painted white.

Low Light.

The illuminating apparatus is fixed, Dioptric, of the Sixth Order, showing a *green* light from S. 59° E. to S. 84° E., a *white* light from S. 84° E. to N. 86° E., and a *red* light from N. 86° E. to N. 61° E.

The light tower, constructed of iron, on the site and taking the place of the white beacon (No. 25 of the List of Chinese Beacons for 1888), is situated 1,030 yards N. 86° W. from the Red Fort. It is 45 feet in height from its base at high water to its crown; and the Light is elevated 33 feet above high water. In clear weather it should be visible in the white sector at a distance of 6 miles.

The tower and lantern are painted white.

The bearings are magnetic and taken from seaward.

Caution.

The Bar is subject to occasional changes, owing to freshets, but when it is in its normal state the best channel for crossing is indicated by the two Lights being in one line.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

E. V. BRENAN,
Acting Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 5th January 1889.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,

No. 227.

CHINA SEA.

YANGTZE RIVER—KIUKIANG DISTRICT.

Dove Point Light.

Notice is hereby given that the Dove Point Beacon Light has been shifted 82 yards N. 80° E. from its last position, in consequence of the washing away of the river bank.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

E. V. BRENAN,
Acting Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 5th January 1889.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 562.

Lady DES VŒUX's afternoon receptions at Government House will re-commence on Monday, January 7th, and will be continued on every subsequent Monday until further notice.

By Command,

SLINGSBY W. BETHELL,
Private Secretary.

Government House, Hongkong, 21st December, 1888.