

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 240.

The following Hydrographic Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

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Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th May, 1889.

"ALACRITY" AT SWATOW,
1ST APRIL, 1889.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO: No. 39.

STRAITS OF MALACCA.

FORMOSA BANK LIGHT SHIP.—This Light ship is now permanently abolished.

It was temporarily withdrawn in 1837, and has not since been replaced.

Charts No. 1355, 748, 795, 796.

Admiralty Light List 1888, page 54.

China Sea Directory Vol. I. 1886, page 93.

SOUTH CHINA.

HONGKONG ROADS.—On and after the 9th March, a Junk will be anchored on KELLETT'S BANK, and from her a bright white light will be exhibited visible all round the horizon, and having a range of about 5 miles.

Position $6\frac{1}{2}$ cables N.N.E. from Green Island.

All vessels are recommended to pass to the Northward of the Junk, but if passing to the Southward of her, she should not be approached nearer than 3 cables.

TAIWAN-FU.—The Fort marked on Chart 2409 to the Southward of Amping Fort does not exist.

The Creek, which by the Chart has its mouth 1400 yards to the Southward of Amping Fort, is 900 yards further to the Northward.

It appears to have thrown up a bank to seaward, and now trends to the Northward and opens inside the Amping Bar.

Chart 2409.

PESCADORES.—The Light House is on the Western extremity of Lit-sit-uh Point, and not on the position given on the Chart.

The Beacon on Flat Island has been destroyed.

Chart 1961. China Light List page 86.

China Sea Directory Vol. III. page 242.

PAGAN ISLAND LADRONES.—The "Conquest" reports this Island to be incorrectly placed on Chart No. 781, and makes the position of the S.W. Extremity to be Latitude $18^{\circ} 3' N$.

Longitude $145^{\circ} 42' E$.

From that Ship's position 5' South (true) of the above, the centre of the Island of Alamagan bore S. $20^{\circ} E$. (true.)

Charts Nos. 781 and 1101.

China Sea Directory Vol. IV. page 202.

HONGKONG LIGHT ON GREEN ISLAND.—With reference to Hydrographical Memo: No. 38 of 14th February 1889 the alteration in this Light will not take place until the 1st of May 1889.

JAPAN.

SHIRIYASAKI LIGHTHOUSE.—From about the 11th April next the 2nd Order Fixed White Light at Shiryasaki, East entrance to Tsugaru Straits, will be changed to 2nd Order Revolving White Light showing a flash every half minute.

Its arc of illumination will be $310^{\circ} 25'$ from S. $52^{\circ} 18' W$. to S. $2^{\circ} 43' W$. (true.)

The elevation of the Light above the sea will be 150 feet, and in clear weather the Light will be visible $18\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Charts Nos. 452, 2441, 2405, 2347.

China Sea Directory Vol. IV. page 568.

China Light List page 113.

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