

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 260.

The following Hydrographic Notices are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 1st June, 1889.

Government of China.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 48.

Min Reef Whistling Buoy:
replaced in position.

Notice is hereby given that the **Whistling Buoy** marking the **Min Reef**, having been painted, was replaced in position on the 16th instant.

S. PARKHILL,
Harbour Master.

Approved:

J. LLOYD E. PALM,
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House, Foochow, 17th May, 1889.

"IMPERIEUSE" AT SINGAPORE,
20th May, 1889.

HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMO: No. 41.

JAPAN.

SHIRIYASAKI LIGHTHOUSE.—The Japanese Government has given notice that a Fog Siren at Shiriyasaki Lighthouse, East entrance to Tsugaru Straits will hereafter be sounded at intervals of 30 seconds giving a blast of 4 seconds duration. If the Siren be disabled, a Hand Siren will be sounded at intervals of one minute, with 5 minutes repose after every 10 minutes working.

Chart Nos. 452, 2347, 2405, and 2441.
China Sea Directory Vol. IV. page 337.
China Light List No. 547.

GULF OF TONQUIN.

The "Cockchafer" reports as follows:—

HOIHOW BAY.—The Cairn marked on Charts 37 and 876, in Latitude $20^{\circ} 1' 30''$ N. Longitude $110^{\circ} 16' 20''$ E. does not exist.

PAKHOI AND ITS APPROACHES.—On approaching Pakhoi, fishing stakes in small groups are to be found five miles further to the Southward than shewn on Charts 2062 and 2661a.

The limit to Pakhoi anchorage is marked by a B.W.V.S. nun buoy which is moored in $2\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms L.W.O.S. with bearings:—

Custom House S. 73° E.
Tikok Spit S. 63° W.
Nautilus Hill S. 47° W.
Charts Nos. 875 and 2062.
China Sea Directory Vol. II. page 378.

BORNEO. N.E. COAST.

CORAL PATCHES.—Small coral patches have been reported by the "Rambler" as follows:—

Lat. $6^{\circ} 43'$ N.	} Small coral patches with $2\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms L.W.
Long. $117^{\circ} 53\frac{1}{2}'$ E.	
Billian I. S. 48° W. 9.6m.	
Lat. $6^{\circ} 40' 30''$ N.	} Small coral patches 6 fathoms L.W.
Long. $117^{\circ} 53'$ E.	
Billian I. S. $59'$ W. 7.7m.	
Lat. $6^{\circ} 38' 30''$ N.	} Small coral patches $3\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms L.W.
Long. $117^{\circ} 56' 20''$ E.	
Tankayan I. S. 6° W. 8m.	

Chart Nos. 287, 2576, 2660b, and 967.
Hydro: Notice Eastern Archipelago No. 22 pages 4 and 5.

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.