

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 550.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Friday, the 27th of September, 1901, for making Tree Pits and planting Trees.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

For specification and further particulars apply at the Office of the Botanical and Afforestation Department.

No tender will be received unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$25 as a pledge of the *bonâ fides* of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if such person shall refuse to carry out his tender should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th September, 1901.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 551.

The following is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th September, 1901.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 569 of the year 1901.]

(The bearings are Magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.)

CHINA—TUNGHAI OR EASTERN SEA.

VERIFICATION AND POSITION OF SOCOTRA SHOAL.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 560 of 1900:—

Telegraphic information, dated 1st August 1901, has been received from Lieutenant and Commander W. O. Lyne, H.M. surveying vessel *Waterwitch*, that he has searched for the shoal reported north-eastward of the Great Yangtse bank by the P. & O. Co.'s S.S. *Socotra* in 1900, and found a rock, with a depth of 18 feet over it, in lat. 32° 7' N., long. 125° 11' E., or about 5 miles south-eastward of the *Socotra's* position.

It has been placed on the charts as Socotra rock.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Nipon, &c., No. 2347; Hongkong to Liau tung gulf, No. 1262; Amoy to Nagasaki, No. 2412: Also, China Sea Directory, vol. III., 1894, page 415.

By Command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. WHARTON,
Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London, 8th August 1901.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 552.

The following Statement of Quarantine Restrictions is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 21st September, 1901.

STATEMENT OF QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS IN FORCE ON SEPTEMBER 21st, 1901.

Disease.	Port or Place.	Restrictions in Force.	Authority.
Plague.	Formosa.	Medical examination; quarantine at the discretion of the Health Officer.	Proclamation No. 1 dated February 11th, 1901.
Plague.	Manila.	Do. do. do.	Proclamation No. 2 dated April 23rd, 1901.