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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Notification received from the Government of India, relative to Light Houses on British Burmah, is published for the information of Mariners, and others whom it may concern.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

FORT WILLIAM, *the 19th November, 1868.*

No. 4 of 1868.—The following notice has been received for publication from the Chief Commissioner, British Burmah, in a letter dated Rangoon, 5th October, 1868:—

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The following lighthouses are about to be established off the coast of British Burmah, probably on the 31st May, 1869, and this is issued as a warning in case they should be so established:—

1.—COAST LIGHTHOUSE.

On the Krishna Shoal, Gulf of Martaban, Bay of Bengal. In latitude N. $15^{\circ} 36' 30''$; longitude E. $95^{\circ} 35'$. A lighthouse on screw piles in 3 fathoms of water at low water on the southeastern edge of the above shoal, showing a fixed dioptric light of the second order. The focal plane of the light 55 feet above high water rise, and fall 12 feet at full and change, visible 15 miles.

The light is cut off at W.S.W. to the westward, and at N.N.E. to the eastward, the centre of the light being S.E.

In making this light (the object of which is to enable vessels to round the Baraque Point so as to avoid the dangers of the Baraque Flat and Krishna Shoal) from the westward, a vessel should keep in not less than 7 fathoms of water to the south, steering east till the light bears N. W. and distant from 5 to 10 miles, then steering N. E. by N. 40 miles to make the China Buckeer lighthouse at the mouth of the Rangoon river. Vessels from the northward going south must not get in less than 6 fathoms of water to the westward, or make the light on a bearing to the W. of S. W. by S.; if after passing the light a ship is going to the westward, she can turn in that direction when the light bears N. W., keeping in 7 fathoms.

2.—HARBOUR LIGHTHOUSE.

The China Buckeer for the mouth of the Rangoon river on the western side.

Hitherto the entrance to the channel to the Rangoon river has been marked by a light ship in $3\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms of water.

This light ship will not be removed till this and the following lighthouse have been illuminated.

The lighthouse is situated on the high land of China Buckeer, which is generally first made by ships bound for Rangoon, and is about 2 miles north-east of the mouth of the China Buckeer river.

It is on screw piles, and the lower part being against a back ground of dark trees, will be painted white.

It is close to high water mark, but the sands at low water stretch 6 miles to the eastward of it. Ships must therefore keep well to seaward from it.

It will bear a dioptric light, the upper and lower cupolas showing a fixed light, and the centre drum a revolving light, attaining its greatest brilliancy once a minute; it can be seen 18 miles from the deck of a ship. It is in latitude N. $16^{\circ} 17'$ and longitude E. $96^{\circ} 13'$.

3.—HARBOUR LIGHTHOUSE.

The eastern grove for the mouth of the Rangoon river on the eastern side.

This lighthouse is also on screw piles, in latitude N. $16^{\circ} 29'$; longitude E. $96^{\circ} 27' 30''$.

This lighthouse will show a light of 60° and will be cut off to the eastward due south; 10° of this angle will show a condensed light, the centre of which will pass through the present position of the light ship, or in a direction S. 30° W. This condensed light will be visible 18 miles from the mast head of a ship, and the remaining 50° of light will show 12 miles from the deck of a vessel.

Sailing directions for making the mouth of the Rangoon River.

Having made the China Buckeer Light from the southward or eastward, a vessel must not go to the northward of a bearing to it of west to avoid the eastern sands; and to avoid the western sands the Eastern Grove Light must not be brought to bear to the eastward of N. N. E.

All vessels steering from the eastward should make the China Buckeer Light bearing W. by N., and should not proceed on their course beyond a point where the eastern Grove Lighthouse will bear as above, N. N. E.

Ships are not to go up channel by the eastern Grove Light, but must anchor south of a bearing to the China Buckeer of west.

A ship anywhere to the southward of W. by N. bearing to the China Buckeer Light, and anywhere to the eastward of a bearing to the Eastern Grove of N. N. E., is in safety; anywhere to the northward or westward of these bearings, in danger. This notice is intended to be preliminary, so that vessels may not be deceived in case they find the lights lighted as above, and the light ship removed. But as something may occur to prevent their being lighted at the time noted, 31st May 1869, until a second notice is issued that *they have been lighted*, masters of vessels should adopt all the precautions which they would adopt if the present light ship was to be *their* only guide.

ARTHUR BROOME, Colonel,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 2.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION:

Scaled Tenders will be received at this Office, until noon on the 16th instant, for the supply of 100 Barrels Portland Cement.

A proper Form of Tender may be obtained at the Surveyor General's Office.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

No. 3.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Calendar of Grants of Probates during 1868, made under Ordinance No. 8 of 1860, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

CALENDAR of PROBATES and ADMINISTRATIONS granted by the Court of Probate Hongkong, during the Year 1868.

DATE OF GRANT.	NAME OF TESTATOR OR INTESTATE.	PLACE AND TIME OF DEATH.	PROBATE ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED, OR ADMINISTRATION.	NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF THE EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR.	VALUE OF THE EFFECTS AS SWORN TO OR SET FORTH IN THE COMMISSION OF APPRAISEMENT
Jan. 29	Seen Mow Wing,	Hongkong, 6th Dec. 1867	Administration	Official Administrator,	\$ 40.50
" 29	A Chinaman name unknown, No. 1,	Stated to have fallen overboard on passage from Calcutta, date not given	"	Do.	42.00
" 29	Do., No. 2,	At Sea, 16th Oct. 1867	"	Do.	6.00
Feb. 3	Peter Henriksen,	Hongkong, 20th Dec. 1867	Probate	William Williams, of Hongkong, Tavern Keeper, the sole Executor,	750.00
Mar. 10	Lee Achat,	" 19th Jan. 1868	Administration	Lee a Ng, the Brother	9,631.72
" 14	Laong Heong Tsoi,	" 10th April 1866	Probate	Laong Chaong Eu and Laong Chaong Eu, Executors,	12,000.00
April 21	John Pierce Clark,	At Sea, 14th Aug. 1866	"	Robert Hodge and Francis Innes Hazeland, Crown Solicitor, Executors,	490.00
" 24	James Downie,	Hongkong, 10th Mar. 1868	Administration	Official Administrator,	1,183.42
" 28	To Sun Kwong,	" 24th Mar. 1868	"	Do.	125.00
" 28	'Ng Afoo,	" 17th Mar. 1868	"	Do.	26.63
" 28	Henry Gibson,	" 6th Mar. 1868	"	John Smith, Storekeeper, McEwen & Co.	216.81
May 1	Jeronimo Eulogio Alves,	" 31st Aug. 1867	"	Andronico Francisco Alves, the brother and one of the next of Kin,	1,175.00
" 6	Wm. Francis Murray,	Whampoa, 11th Mar. 1868	"	Official Administrator,	1,000.00
" 11	C. H. Woltman,	Hongkong, 18th Dec. 1867	"	Do.	28.90
" *11	Esteván Garretta,	" 19th Oct. 1866	"	Rafael Marty, the Nephew and one of the next of kin,
" 13	Lustré Raimondi,	" 28th Nov. 1867	Administration	Official Administrator,	1,317.70
"			Will annexed.		
June 9	Abdool Karreem,	" 20th April 1868	"	Abminab, Widow, the Relict,	4,000.00
" 18	Edward Bailey,	" 24th Sept. 1867	Administration	Official Administrator,	16.00
July 16	Kwok Tung Yut,	At Sea, 8th Sept. 1867	"	Kwoklum She, Widow, the Relict,	3,000.00
" 24	Jane Bonnet,	Hongkong, 31st May 1868	"	Richard Wac Bonnet, the Husband,	741.17
" 23	Peter Ketels,	" 28th Dec. 1867	"	Alida McNulty (wife of John McNulty) the Relict,	1,000.00
Aug. 3	Michael Frederick Plumer,	" 23rd July 1868	Probate	Richard Deacon, the sole Executor,	1,500.00
" 21	Wm. Joseph Lowndes,	" 19th July 1868	Administration	Official Administrator,	517.35
" 21	Charles Hurst,	" 21st July 1868	"	Do.	169.70
" 21	Frederick Lloyd,	" 13th July 1868	"	Do.	49.71
" 31	Chun Ahang,	" 30th Aug. 1867	"	Chunkung Shee, Widow, the Relict,	15,520.00
" 31	Chun Tai,	" 23rd Sept. 1865	Administration	Chunkung Shee,	16,288.00
"			Will annexed.		
Oct. 16	James Frisby,	" 17th Sept. 1868	Administration	Official Administrator,	3,481.75
Nov. 27	Tam Aun,	At Sea, 7th Sept. 1868	"	Tam Yeen Kew, one of the next of Kin,	27.44
Dec. 3	John Cuff Harper,	Hongkong, 17th Sept. 1866	Administration	Official Administrator,	1,994.88
" 10	John Hender Wood,	Vancouver's Id. 12th May 1868	"	George Augustus Frederick Norris, Attorney of Harriett Wood, Widow, the Relict,	2,518.55
" 30	Carsetjee Burjorjee Wadia,	Bombay, 2nd July 1863	Administration	Henry Charles Caldwell, Attorney of B. Mr. Wadia and N. M. Wadia,	4,500.00
" 31	Louis Borben,	Hongkong, 30th Nov. 1868	"	Official Administrator,	40.88
" 31	George Pa'ae,	" 29th Nov. 1868	"	Do.	77.80

* Letters of Administration of this Estate were granted to ALBERT ELIILE VOUCHER on the 10th November, 1866, but revoked on the 24th January, 1868.

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Registrar.