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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Under Provisions of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, Notice is hereby given that a Special Session of the Justices of the Peace will be held at the Police Magistrates' Court, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of Thursday, the Sixth day of January next; and thereafter on the First Thursday of every Month for the purpose of considering Applications for granting or transferring Spirit Licenses during the Year 1870.

Such Applications to be lodged at the Police Magistrates' Court at least Ten days before each of the Sessions now notified.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1869.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Tenders to be received at this Office until Noon of the 21st instant, for the privilege of Farming all Granite Quarries in Hongkong and Kowloon, during the Year 1870.

Persons desirous of tendering are directed to call at the Surveyor General's Office to obtain a proper Form of Tender.

The Government does not bind itself to accept any of the Tenders received.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1869.

No. 143.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Hydrographic Notice 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, 4th December, 1869.

The substance of this Notice, as soon as it is received on board, is to be inserted in red ink on the Charts affected by it; and introduced into the margin, or otherwise in the page, of the Sailing Directions to which it relates. See Instructions, Navigation and Pilotage, p. 172.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 72.]

EASTERN ARCHIPELAGO—BONNEO—SOUTH COAST.

Bank near Southern Entrance to Pulo Laut Strait.

The Netherlands Government has given Notice, that the steam vessel *Betsy* struck on a sand bank near the southern entrance to Pulo Laut Strait.

This bank has 23 fathoms water on it, and lies with Cape Pagan N.E. by E., and Cape Kandy Aver W. ½ S. Position, as given, lat. 3° 47' 45" S., long. 115° 42' 9" East from Greenwich.