

*No. 2 Blockhouse Shoal Buoy.*

The old red No. 2 Blockhouse Shoal Buoy, (No. 27 in the 1878 List of Chinese Lights,) 6 feet in diameter at the water line, and surmounted by a black spherical cage, has been moored in five fathoms at low water spring tides, with the Kiutoan Lighthouse bearing S. 30° W. magnetic, and distant about 2.9 nautical miles. It marks the S. W. edge of a bank, dry at low water and only one cable to the eastward of it, and has no number painted on it.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
*Engineer-in-Chief.*

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS, ENGINEERS' OFFICE, SHANGHAI, 27th April, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 86.]

CHINA SEA.

YANGTZE RIVER—SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

BUOYS AT THE LANGSHAN.

1.—*Middle Bank Buoy.*

This buoy has been painted *red*, surmounted by a black conical frustum cage, and shifted about 200 feet to the north of its former position. It is moored in 5 fathoms at low water spring tides, and marks the starboard side of the channel between the bank to the westward of Plover Point and the North Bank.

2.—*Waterman Bank Lower Buoy.*

This *black* buoy, now a conical one 6 feet in diameter and surmounted by a black spherical cage, has been shifted about  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile to the northward of its former position. It is moored in  $4\frac{1}{4}$  fathoms at low water spring tides, and marks the N.E. edge of the Waterman Bank.

3.—*Langshan Buoy.*

This buoy has been painted *red*, as it now marks the S.W. edge of the bank to the eastward of it, and it is moored in 6 fathoms at low water spring tides.

As the banks near the Langshan Crossing are liable to sudden changes, this part of the river should be navigated with caution, and the lead kept going.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
*Engineer-in-Chief.*

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS, ENGINEERS' OFFICE, SHANGHAI, 30th April, 1878.

NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that Ships conveying Chinese Passengers under the provisions of Ordinance No. 5 of 1874, will be all inclusive. them on the Upper Weather Deck between the 1st of June, and the 15th of October

J. P. McEuen,  
*Acting Emigration Officer, &c.*

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 2nd May, 1878.

STAMP OFFICE NOTICE.

Persons or Firms surrendering spoiled Stamps for allowance are requested to send with the spoiled documents an ordinary Requisition for the new Stamps required. Forms of Requisition can be had at the Stamp Office.

It is not necessary to enumerate the spoiled Stamps handed in. A glance at the Specimen Requisition given below will show what is required. should be applied for on a separate Requisition.

ALFRED LISTER,  
*Collector.*

Stamp Office, Hongkong, 2nd May, 1878.

SPECIMEN.

B. C. & Co. request to be supplied with the undermentioned Impressed Stamps.  
24th April, 1878.

DESCRIPTION.	NUMBER OF FORMS.	DUTY.	TOTAL.
Bills of Lading,.....	50	\$ c. 0.10	\$ c. 5.00
Bills of Exchange,.....	20	0.50	10.00
Policies of Insurance,.....	100	0.10	10.00
			\$25

By Spoilt Stamps sent herewith, .....