

2. That the said yard shall not at any time be tiled over or covered in except by such bridges (roofed on the top floor only) of a width of not over 4 feet each as may be necessary to afford access to the kitchens from the upper floors, and that the said yards shall be paved with granite.

3. That in case the party or external walls of such contiguous yards shall be built up above the ground floor there shall be provided on each side of every yard and at the level of every floor an aperture for ventilation through such party or external wall of a size of not less than 6 feet by 3 feet, in which no windows, jalousies or obstruction shall be placed, other than iron bars for the protection of property.

4. That the utmost endeavours shall be used to cause the Tenants of the houses to keep the said open yards in such free and clean condition as shall allow of the continuous passage of air through them on the level of every floor from one end of such block of buildings to the other.

No. 146.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Extract from the *London Gazette* of Tuesday, May 14th, 1878, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th July, 1878.

Foreign Office, May 14, 1878.

Major WODEHOUSE, Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul-General at Honolulu, has reported that the Hawaiian Government withdraw the Notice to terminate Articles V and VI of the Treaty of July 10, 1851, between Great Britain and the Sandwich Islands.

The Notice to terminate Article IV of that Treaty, as announced in the *Londo. Gazette* of February 19, 1878, is maintained.

No. 147.

His Excellency the Governor is pleased to direct that Monday, 31st August, being a Bank Holiday, is to be observed as such in all Government Departments.

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Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th July, 1878.

No. 148.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognize provisionally and pending the receipt of Her Majesty's Exequatur, Don JOSÉ VELEZ as Vice-Consul for Spain at this Port.

By Command,

J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th July, 1878.

No. 149.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Births and Deaths for the 2nd Quarter ending 30th June, 1878, received from the Registrar General's Office, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th July, 1878.

RETURNS of BIRTHS and DEATHS for the 2nd Quarter of 1878, ending 30th June.

DISTRICTS.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.				CHINESE.				DEATHS. BRITISH & FOREIGN COMMUNITY.
	BIRTHS.		DEATHS.		BIRTHS.		DEATHS.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Males.	Females.	Boys.	Girls.	Males.	Females.	
Victoria,	19	17	30	7	142	104	448	436	British, &c., .....15 Portuguese, 7 Indian, &c., 5 Non-Residents, .....10 <hr/> 37
Kow-loon, .....	...	...	...	...	9	6	31	27	
Sháu-kí Wán,....	...	...	...	...	15	9	21	7	
Aberdeen, .....	...	...	...	...	...	3	14	9	
Stanley, .....	...	...	...	...	3	...	8	1	
TOTAL,...	19	17	30	7	169	122	522	480	
GRAND TOTAL,	ANNUAL DEATH-RATE, PER 1,000 FOR 2ND QUARTER OF			1878.					
Births, 327	Whole Population,.....			29.86	...	...	...	...
Deaths, ...1,039	British & Foreign Community,			16.48	...	...	...	...
	Do. deducting non-Residents,			13.78	...	...	...	...
	Chinese,			30.79	...	...	...	...

CECIL C. SMITH,
Registrar General.

Registrar General's Office, Hongkong, 24th July, 1878.

No. 150.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Notices to Mariners are published for general information.

By Command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th July, 1878.

J. PRICE,
Acting Secretary.

Government of India.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

[No. 14.]

HINDOSTAN—WEST COAST—BOMBAY HARBOUR.

Beacon on Choul Kádu Rock.

Notice is hereby given that a large, circular, gray stone beacon, 20 feet in diameter, and 60 feet above mean sea-level, has been erected on the Choul Kádu rock, off Alibagh.

The beacon is in latitude 18° 36' 0" N., and longitude 72° 50' 8" E., and from it the following bearings have been taken:—

Kenery or Kundari light-house	N. by W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W.
Temple on Kolaba Fort	N. N. E.
Saugur Gurh Hill Fort	N. E. by E. $\frac{1}{3}$ E.
Kurla Fort (central summit).....	S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ S.

The rock, on which this beacon has been placed, uncovers 9 feet at low-water spring tides, and the visible part is then about 100 feet across.

This rock appears to have been altogether omitted on the coast charts, although the foul ground, known as Choul Kádu reef, which lies $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the south-west, or outside of it, is shewn.

[Bearings are Magnetic. Variation 0° 55' Easterly in 1878.]

By Direction of the Government of India,

A. DUNDAS TAYLOR, Comdr. (late I. N.),
Superintendent, Marine Survey of India.

MARINE SURVEY DEPARTMENT, CALCUTTA, 22nd May 1878.

This Notice will affect the following Admiralty Charts:—West Coast of India, Sheet IV, Kundari to Boria Pagoda, No. 738; Sheet I, Kutch Gulf to Vizadroog, No. 2736; India, West Coast (General Chart), Kurrachee to Vingoria, No. 826; also, Admiralty West Coast or Hindostan Pilot, page 125; and Taylor's Sailing Directory, Vol. I, page 385.

If this Notice is received on boardship, the substance of it should be inserted on the Charts affected by it, and introduced into the Sailing Directions to which it relates.