

HYDROGRAPHICAL NOTE.—CAPE OF GOOD HOPE AND WEST COAST OF AFRICA STATION.

H.M.S. *Danae*, 23th May, 1878.

Place and Subject of Correction.	Position: Giving Latitude and Longitude with Angles or Bearings and Distances.	Correction is required to				REMARKS.
		Admiralty Charts Nos.	Sailing Directions (title & page).	Light List (title & page).	Tide Tables (page).	
Walfish Bay, West Coast of Africa.— Beacon erected on Pelican Point.	Beacon is erected 25 yards inside N. W. extreme of Pelican Point. Latitude of Beacon ascertained by Meridian Altitude \odot with artificial horizon, to be $22^{\circ} 53' 32''$ S. Longitude by Mer. distance from Obs., Cape of Good Hope, $14^{\circ} 28' 30''$ E.*	595	Africa Pilot Part II., p.p. 191, 192.	The Beacon consists of a rough spar, standing 27 feet above the level of the sand, surmounted with a red ball with a black cask about 6 feet lower down; whale's bones and old planks are lashed round its base about 8 feet high. We found, by careful Astronomical observations, that Pelican Point is about 3 miles out of its position given on the Chart; it is also only 3 feet above high water, and, consequently, not easy to make, especially if the weather is at all misty.

* This position places the Point about 3 miles S.S.E. of its position as shown on the Admiralty Chart No. 595.

(Signed) JAMES ST. C. BOWER, Lieutenant,
Navigating Officer.

Approved,
(Signed) J. CHILD PURVIS, Captain.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to direct that the values of the Money Orders as yet unpaid which were lost in the *Meikong* in June, 1877, be refunded to the remitters of such Orders. The values of such lapsed Orders as have not been already refunded or paid by duplicate, will accordingly be repaid to the respective remitters on application to the General Post Office, Hongkong.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 3rd October, 1878.

No. 195.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

Notice is hereby given, that Tenders for the Privilege of Preparing and selling Prepared Opium within the Colony for the term of one, two, or three years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1855 will be received at this Office, until Noon on Wednesday, the 23rd October, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the monthly payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licences direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command,

C. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd October, 1878.

No. 188.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified that, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, Tuesday, the 5th of November next, is fixed for a special Sessions of the Justices of the Peace, to be held at the Police Magistrates' Office, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of considering applications for Licences for the Sale of Spirituous and Fermented Liquors, during the year commencing on 1st December next. It is possible, however, that some alterations may be made in the licensing laws before then, of which due notice will be given.

Applications for such Licences must be lodged at the Police Magistrates' Office, at least Ten days before the Sessions, in the form prescribed in the said Ordinance, and no application will, after that period, be received for submission to the Sessions.

Printed Forms of Application may be obtained by intending applicants at the Police Magistrates' Office, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily.

By Command,

C. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

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