

newspapers and other printed papers transmitted by the post as therein respectively mentioned.

4. Now, for the purpose of removing any doubt thereupon, we do hereby declare that the said Warrant so recited and referred to, and intended to be recited and referred to in and by the said before recited Warrant of the said 20th day of December 1856, and so repealed, revoked, and annulled thereby as aforesaid, was and is the said Warrant of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the said 31st day of December 1855, which related to packets consisting of printed newspapers, other packets consisting of printed papers other than newspapers, and other packets consisting of printed newspapers and other printed papers transmitted by the post as therein respectively mentioned, and not the said Warrant of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the said 31st day of December 1855, which related to letters transmitted by the post between Gibraltar and Hong Kong and Singapore, which said last-mentioned Warrant, bearing date the said 31st day of December 1855, and so relating to letters transmitted by the post between Gibraltar and Hong Kong and Singapore, as aforesaid, we do hereby declare and order and direct to be and continue unrepealed, unrevoked, and unannulled, and the several orders, directions, regulations, and rates of postage therein respectively mentioned and set forth to be and continue in full force, operation, and effect.

5. And we do further order and direct that the terms used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

6. And we do further order and direct that this Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of April next.

7. And we do further order and direct that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands duly made at any time hereafter, to alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates, orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the fourth day of March 1857.

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FOREIGN-OFFICE, October 31, 1856.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint George Jackson Eldridge, Esq. to be Her Majesty's Consul at Kertch.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, March 4, 1857.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr N. Solomon as Consul in the Island of St Helena for His Majesty the King of the Netherlands.

DOWNING-STREET, March 5, 1857.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Thomas March, Esq. to be Clerk of the Supreme Court and Crown in the Island of Jamaica, and Richard Hussey Walsh, Esq. to be Superintendent of Government Schools in the Island of Mauritius.

Board of Trade; Whitehall,
March 6, 1857.

The Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Brussels, enclosing a Notice (copy of which is subjoined) respecting a new Belgian Pilot Vessel which has been cruising between the Isle of Wight and Dungeness since the beginning of the present year.

KINGDOM OF BELGIUM. PILOTAGE DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given, that since the beginning of the present year, independently of the cutters that have been in service until now, in the North Sea and the English Channel, a new Belgian Pilot Vessel, built of iron, schooner rigged, using an auxiliary steam screw propeller, is cruising between the Isle of Wight and Dungeness, in order to supply licensed pilots to ships bound to Antwerp, or other ports of Belgium.

The pilot schooner carries mainsail, fore and aft foresail, foresail and jib. It may be known by the word ANTWERPEN, which is painted in her mainsail, and also by a red flag, with the number 5 in white, hoisted at the main.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 11.) CHINA SEA—YANG-TSE KIANG.

Beacon Tower at Kiu T'oan.

The Chinese Authorities at Shanghai have given notice, that in order to facilitate the navigation of the channel leading up to the river Wusung a Beacon Tower has been erected on the south shore of the Yang-tse Kiang at Kiu T'oan, near a spot known as the Three Trees.

The tower is a plain structure of brick, painted red and white, and 70 feet high. It bears from the light-vessel N. 63° W., distance about 16 miles, and the trees upon Blockhouse Island bear from it N. 15° W. distant 8 miles. It stands in lat. 31° 14' N., long. 121° 43' east from Greenwich, nearly.

The light-vessel, painted red, with two masts and balls, is moored in 4½ fathoms at low water, and bears N. by W. ¾ W. from Gutzlaff Island, from which she is distant 23 miles, and one mile from the southern edge of the North Tung-sha Bank. [This position differs from that made public in a former Notice.]

Ships leaving Gutzlaff Isle, bearing S. by E. 16 miles, should steer a north-westerly course. On making the light-vessel, bearing N.W., they should steer for her so as to pass her as most convenient, taking care when to the eastward of her not to bring her to the southward of west, and when to the westward, not to bring her to the southward of E.S.E. ¼ S., making due allowance for the setting of the tides over the North Bank. When about dipping the hull of the light-vessel, the beacon tower will be seen; and the usual course pointed out in the Sailing Directions can then be followed.

When a vessel is observed running into danger a gun is fired from the light vessel to attract attention, and the signal, by Marryat's Code, of the course that should be steered is then exhibited.