

NAVAL MATTERS

(General)

ADMIRALTY STANDING ORDERS AND GENERAL MEMORANDA

In several of the printed reports of the proceedings of Naval vessels in the Western Pacific there are references to the Commander having been supplied with a quoted list of Standing Orders and General Memoranda.

Some of these seem essential to any study of the WPHC, e.g. the following taken from the reports of HMS 'Miranda' and HMS 'Swinger', 1884:-

Standing Order No.1, 20.1.82 - Precautions to be adopted when landing in islands.

General memo. No.5, 13.2.82 - Action of traders in levying war on their own account.

General memo. No.24, 27.<sup>9</sup>~~10~~.82 - Jurisdiction in Western Pacific.

General memo. No.26, 29.10.82 - Capital punishment on board H.M. ships.

General memo. No.31, 1.4.83 - Jurisdiction in Western Pacific.

General memo. No.46, 13.10.83 - Supply of coal at Matupi, Gap, and Jaluit.

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NAVY : FUNCTIONS OF RELATIVE TO HC

SS to HC, no 14 of 25 5 80 deals with the agreement reached between the CO and Admiralty on the relative authority to be exercised by the HC and Naval Officers in the WP, arising from a despatch from Guden based on correspondence between Gorne and the Commodore of the Australian Station while Guden was away.

This agreement led to the Adm issuing of amended instructions and additional instructions to the Commodore commanding the Aust station, which are quoted (but have not been copied here).

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OUTRAGES IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC

HC No.25 of 16.7.88 to SS. Mentions report made to the Lords commissioners of the Admiralty by Rear Admiral Tryon forwarding printed correspondence respecting outrages by natives of the Western Pacific, and steps taken by Naval Officers to investigate them in 1886. HC states that Tryon's minute gives a ~~copy~~ concise and accurate picture of the then state of the Pacific.

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