

Marine
Public Works (1899) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]
"Royal Atlas of Modern Geography"

Sanctioning the supply to the
Marine Secretariat of a Copy of the
published by W. H. Johnston, Edinburgh and
London:

W. H. Johnston

Dr

~~Circulated to~~

DEPARTMENT.

ORDER.

Sanction is accorded to the supply
for use in the Marine Secretariat,
of a copy of the undermentioned pub-
lication.

"Royal Atlas of modern Geography
by the late Alexander Keith Johnston
with additions and corrections to
the present date by J. B. Johnston; pub-
lished by W. and A. K. Johnston, Edin-
burgh and London."

2. Arrangements will be made in the Financial Department for procuring the supply. G. R. K.

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The Financial Department

20/3/99

Read the following:--

Purchase of an atlas

Circulated to

His Excellency
the Governor

FOR ORDERS.

Considerable inconvenience
has for a long time been felt
in the Marine Department
owing to the want of an atlas
of foreign countries. This in-
convenience is now becoming
acute in consequence of the
extended application of the
Venice Sanitary Regulations.
We are constantly receiving
telegrams regarding infection
in foreign places or the es-
tablishment in such places of
quarantine against infected
localities. As often as not the
spelling of the names is
garbled in the telegraph
messages, and there are,
frequent

present no means in this
Office of correcting these mis-
spellings for notification in
the Gazette, or even of identify-
ing the places themselves.

As recent examples the
following cases may be mentioned.

1) Intimation was received
from the Consul at Alexandria
that ^{the} authorities in the German
East African Protectorate had
ordered that vessels arriving
from infected places should
call at Tanga for pratique.
Where Tanga is and whether
the spelling of the name is
correct has not even yet been
definitely ascertained.

A certain district in
Arabia called the Hedjaz,
between Lith and Yumbo, has
been declared infected. The
ascertainment of the precise
limits of this district and
its position relatively to the
land town of Mecca, also
declared infected, has in the
absence of a suitable atlas
caused

caused lengthy and trouble-
some, but fruitless, search.

3. Other instances may be
mentioned, but the above
^{are} ~~known~~ ^{are} sufficient to

show that a complete
atlas is essential in the
Marine Department as a
book of reference.

4. Sanction is accordingly
solicited to such an atlas
being procured through
the usual channel.

Sanctioned.
A.S.H.
16.3.99

R.S.

Ans
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No. 574 Mar 26-6-97

C.A.W.

When asking the
Financial Department
to procure the atlas
for us, we will have to
specify the author of the
atlas, as well as the publishers.

There is a big atlas
in use in the Chief Secretariat
and orders are solicited as
to whether that atlas can be
specified; or can Messrs
Baker & Co. be allowed
to select the one which
they consider to be the best?

J.S.
18/3/89.

I find only the title of
the Chief Secretary's
atlas & inquire for
a similar one.

L.S.

18 Mar 89

Notis for the Head Clerk
Marine Dept.

The description of the
Atlas that you require
information about in
your note of the 18th inst. to
the Head Clerk, of the Chief
Sec. is the follg:—

"Royal Atlas of Modern
Geography Exhibiting
a series entirely original
& authentic maps. the
present condition of geo-
graphical discovery and
research in the several
countries, Empires & States
of the world. by the late

Alexander Keith Johnston,
Geographer to the Queen,
LL.D., F.R.G.S., F.R.S. &c.

with additions and
corrections by the
present date

By

J.B. Johnston
Geographer to the Queen
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W. and A.K. Johnston:
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