## The Naming of the Sea between Korea and Japan in the 19th Century Maps by English

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## 4. The conclusion

During the course of the time, generally, the place names of remote area are named from simply to detail, the more detail where being recognized, the more small name will be given.

As the special example on the past map, the sea between Corea and Japan was recognized by European as one part of Chinese Ocean in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, as Corea Sea in the end of 18<sup>th</sup> century, and as Crean Channel & Japan Sea in 19<sup>th</sup> century.