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## NOTICES TO MARINERS.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct that the following Notices to Mariners be published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,

E. NOEL WALKER,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, Colonial Secretary.  
Colombo, August 19, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 162.

*New Zealand—South Island.*

(1) *Alcaroa Harbour—Light in Pakaeriki Bay.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 350 of 1898) that information has been received that the light, shown from the extremity of the jetty (wharf) in Pakaeriki bay, is a fixed green light visible about 3 miles, with a red sector which is visible from about N.E.  $\frac{3}{4}$  N., to about N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E. (from Green's point to just northward of the red buoy off that point).

Approximate position: lat.  $43^{\circ} 49' 10''$  S., long.  $172^{\circ} 58' 55''$  E.

(2) *Oamaru Harbour—Alterations in positions of leading Light Beacons.*

Also that the leading light beacons (fixed green and fixed white lights) at Oamaru have been moved to the eastward (but their exact positions are not known), and now bear when in line S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  W., leading about 100 ft.

eastward of the mole in depths of 15 ft. abreast of the spit and 16 ft. off the mole end.

These beacons are 180 ft. apart.

Approximate position: lat.  $45^{\circ} 6\frac{1}{2}'$  S., long.  $171^{\circ} 14'$  E.

Variation,  $16^{\circ}$  easterly in 1898.

P. J. FALLE, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Calcutta, July 30, 1898. Port Officer of Calcutta.

BENGAL.—No. 164.

*Australia, East coast—Brisbane River—Alterations in Lights and Beacons.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 359 of 1898) that the under-mentioned information, dated 2nd May, 1898, relating to lights and beacons in Brisbane river, has been received from Lieutenant and Commander C. W. S. Leggatt, H.M.S. Goldfinch:—

1. A fixed white light is shown from west beacon on the detached dry bank at the western side of the entrance to the river.

Approximate position: lat.  $27^{\circ} 21' 55''$  S., long.  $153^{\circ} 10' 20''$  E.

2. A fixed white light is shown from the white beacon situated S. by W.  $\frac{3}{4}$  W., distant  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cables, from the south-west angle of the Boatman's house enclosure, Lytton; and a fixed red light from the white beacon which in line with the first leads through Lytton reach in direction marked C on Chart.

These beacons and lights would shortly be moved southward of their previous positions, and then in line would lead in the channel northward of Gibson island.

3. Two beacons, the north-eastern (front) to show a red light and the south-western (rear) a white light, which in line would lead up Lytton reach, were in course of erection at the north-east end of Gibson island.

4. The lights (red, front; white, rear) previously shown from the beacons on the northern side of Lytton reach, opposite Gibson island, have been discontinued; and in lieu thereof two white beacons, the front one showing a fixed red light and the rear a fixed white light, have been erected on the south side of the river eastward of Queensport.

These last beacons in line lead in the channel through Eagle farm flats.

5. Also that the western sides of Bulimba and Humbug reaches have recently shoaled considerably for a distance of about 4 cables on each side from Humbug point, and a note to that effect has been placed on the Chart.

Variation, 9° easterly in 1898.

P. J. FALLE, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, July 30, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 165.

*North Pacific Ocean—Reported Rock above Water.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 360 of 1898) that information has been received that the Master of the American Missionary steamvessel Morning Star reports having passed in lat. 5° 32' N., long. 173° 13' W., a ragged coral rock, about a quarter of a cable in extent and 6 to 10 ft. high.

A rock, with the words "Bray rock, 6 to 10 ft. high," written against it, has been placed on the Admiralty Chart in the above position.

As islands had formerly been reported in this locality by whalers, viz., one in lat. 7° 48' N., long. 173° 12' W., and "Four rocks" in lat. 7° 51' N., long. 176° 6' W., it is probable that a reef exists in the vicinity, of which the rock reported is a head above water.

P. J. FALLE, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, July 30, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 166.

*Korea—South-east coast—Dangers near Observatory island (Yokuchi do).*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 366 of 1898) that information has been received that the under-mentioned dangers have been recently found in the vicinity of Observatory island (Yokuchi do):—

1. A rock, with a depth of 3 fathoms on it and 15 to 23 fathoms close around, in a position with Yokuchi do summit (1,272) bearing N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W., distant  $1\frac{2}{3}$  mile; and Dove group summit (650) N.E. by E.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E.

Approximate position: lat. 34° 36' 45" N., long. 128° 17' 15" E.

2. A rock, named Matano se, with a depth of 4 fathoms on it at low water springs, in a position with Dove group summit (650) bearing N. by E., distant  $2\frac{1}{6}$  miles; and Yokuchi do summit (1,272) N.W. by W.  $\frac{3}{4}$  W.

3. A pinnacle rock, named Fuku se, with a depth of 3 ft. on it and 15 to 19 fathoms close around, in a position with Dove group summit (650) bearing S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W., distant  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile; and Siochi do E. by S.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1898.

P. J. FALLE, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, July 30, 1898.

## Ceylon Government Railways.—Comparative Statement of Traffic for the Month ended June 30, 1898.

Receipts from	Month ended June 30, 1896.			Month ended June 30, 1897.			Month ended June 30, 1898.			Increase—1898 over 1897.			Decrease—1898 below 1897.		
	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.
Passengers, Ordinary & Special	448,568	173,743	50	409,326	201,648	89	418,149	201,563	49	8,323	—	—	8,021	85	40
Coolies ...	23,772	14,656	47	32,805	20,333	46	24,784	15,556	83	—	—	—	—	—	—
Season Tickets	411	1,672	81	388	1,915	89	420	1,956	18	32	40	29	—	—	—
<b>Total Passengers</b>	<b>472,751</b>	<b>190,072</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>442,519</b>	<b>223,898</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>443,353</b>	<b>219,076</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,821</b>	<b>74</b>
Parcels ...	29,478	7,836	42	32,057	8,790	97	30,184	8,998	76	—	207	79	—	—	—
Horses ...	269	1,524	14	286	2,029	63	211	1,682	85	—	—	—	75	346	78
Carriages ...	70	746	6	78	1,055	46	54	727	11	—	—	—	24	328	35
Bicycles, &c. ...	211	178	34	387	277	55	570	383	58	183	106	3	—	—	—
Dogs ...	392	257	0	414	315	53	360	278	0	—	—	—	54	37	53
Other small Animals	37	47	74	47	65	44	19	24	90	—	—	—	28	40	54
Neat Cattle ...	—	—	—	8	106	31	3	65	10	—	—	—	5	41	21
Mails ...	—	4,304	76	—	4,260	60	—	4,260	60	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Coaching & Goods	—	892	98	—	1,044	73	—	1,709	42	—	664	69	—	—	—
Goods, Tons ...	35,847	364,955	16	39,537	378,875	6	37,461	377,780	23	—	—	—	2,076	1,094	83
Miscellaneous Goods	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Live Stock ...	2,121	907	75	1,716	1,074	75	1,791	707	0	75	—	—	—	367	75
General Miscellaneous	—	3,466	64	—	3,402	45	—	4,343	96	—	941	51	—	—	—
<b>Total for the Month</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>575,189</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>625,196</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>620,038</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5,158</b>	<b>71</b>
Corresponding period of previous Year ...	—	312,726	73	—	337,743	30	—	365,513	30	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase ...	—	250,171	57	—	277,695	0	—	126,614	18	—	—	—	—	—	—
Decrease ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic Train Mileage this Month	95,593	—	—	101,029	—	—	97,162	—	—	—	—	—	3,867	—	—
Corresponding period of previous Year ...	560,417	—	—	568,267	—	—	595,003	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase ...	7,850	—	—	26,736	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Decrease ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,547	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

  

Particulars of Goods Conveyed.	Month ended June 30, 1898.				January 1 to June 30, 1898.				January 1 to June 30, 1897.				Increase in 1898.				Decrease in 1898.			
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.
First class Goods	26	7	0	0	225	4	0	0	159	19	0	0	65	5	0	0	—	—	—	—
Kerosine Oil ...	97	9	0	0	625	3	0	0	623	10	0	0	1	13	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 2nd class Goods	565	13	0	0	3,908	0	0	0	4,084	18	0	0	—	—	—	—	176	18	0	0
Rice ...	7,778	1	0	0	50,502	11	0	0	45,549	14	0	0	4,952	17	0	0	—	—	—	—
Arrack ...	260	1	0	0	1,227	2	0	0	1,324	8	0	0	—	—	—	—	97	6	0	0
Tea Leaf ...	83	5	0	0	400	11	0	0	527	9	0	0	—	—	—	—	126	18	0	0
Cinnamon ...	40	11	0	0	128	11	0	0	80	10	0	0	48	1	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cacao ...	37	8	0	0	1,322	10	0	0	943	14	0	0	373	16	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cardamoms ...	13	9	0	0	163	7	0	0	159	7	0	0	4	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Salt ...	340	17	0	0	1,988	6	0	0	2,108	4	0	0	—	—	—	—	119	18	0	0
Tobacco ...	141	0	0	0	512	11	0	0	415	10	0	0	97	1	0	0	—	—	—	—
Beer, 3rd class	20	18	0	0	126	10	0	0	100	0	0	0	28	10	0	0	—	—	—	—
Tea packing, 3rd class	14	11	0	0	118	11	0	0	146	13	0	0	—	—	—	—	28	2	0	0
Manure, 3rd class	8	10	0	0	16	7	0	0	25	3	0	0	—	—	—	—	8	16	0	0
Plumbago, 3rd class	0	5	0	0	37	5	0	0	80	5	0	0	—	—	—	—	43	0	0	0
Other 3rd class Goods	3,515	8	0	0	22,691	7	0	0	21,466	6	0	0	1,225	1	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cinchona ...	10	0	0	0	228	9	0	0	55	16	0	0	172	13	0	0	—	—	—	—
Coffee ...	78	4	0	0	447	6	0	0	843	12	0	0	—	—	—	—	396	6	0	0
Cocoanuts ...	717	19	0	0	3,056	16	0	0	2,974	6	0	0	82	10	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cocconut Oil ...	322	13	0	0	996	2	0	0	1,172	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	175	18	0	0
Copperah ...	919	10	0	0	3,137	12	0	0	1,608	6	0	0	1,529	6	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cotton ...	40	19	0	0	68	14	0	0	83	15	0	0	—	—	—	—	15	1	0	0
Poonac ...	549	7	0	0	2,869	5	0	0	2,875	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	5	15	0	0
Staves ...	17	18	0	0	148	17	0	0	97	14	0	0	51	3	0	0	—	—	—	—
Tea ...	5,635	15	0	0	31,014	10	0	0	31,585	2	0	0	—	—	—	—	570	12	0	0
Timber, Wrought	65	4	0	0	530	12	0	0	606	4	0	0	—	—	—	—	75	12	0	0
Other 4th class Goods	1,265	18	0	0	8,957	7	0	0	7,543	12	0	0	1,413	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Timber at 5th class rate	409	6	0	0	1,633	5	0	0	866	10	0	0	766	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 5th class Goods	881	9	0	0	5,154	1	0	0	5,229	17	0	0	—	—	—	—	75	16	0	0
Timber at 6th class rate	16	16	0	0	21	18	0	0	71	1	0	0	—	—	—	—	49	3	0	0
Tea Packing, 6th class	910	4	0	0	6,464	3	0	0	6,276	18	0	0	187	5	0	0	—	—	—	—
Manure, 6th class	483	10	0	0	3,969	18	0	0	3,159	3	0	0	810	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Plumbago, 6th class	1,048	18	0	0	7,185	7	0	0	5,029	13	0	0	2,155	14	0	0	—	—	—	—
Beer, 6th class	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Staves, 6th class	7	13	0	0	7	13	0	0	—	—	—	—	7	13	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 6th class Goods	580	0	0	0	4,811	4	0	0	4,669	1	0	0	142	3	0	0	—	—	—	—
Bulky Articles and Road Metal	—	—	—	—	118	4	0	0	—	—	—	—	118	4	0	0	—	—	—	—
Railway Material	2,208	6	0	0	15,741	13	0	0	13,331	6	0	0	2,410	7	0	0	—	—	—	—
Public Works Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prison Department Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Breakwater Material	8,081	14	0	0	60,839	3	0	0	54,322	3	0	0	6,567	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Petroleum ...	217	7	0	0	1,108	1	0	0	728	10	0	0	379	11	0	0	—	—	—	—
Free Goods ...	43	19	0	0	257	9	0	0	189	2	0	0	68	7	0	0	—	—	—	—
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>37,461</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>242,811</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>221,119</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23,657</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,965</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Colombo, August 16, 1898.

W. T. PEARCE, General Manager.

Total Quantities of the following Articles Exported from the Port of Colombo during the under-mentioned periods.

Vessels.	Date of Clearing.	For what Port.	Plantation Coffee.	Native Coffee.	Tea.	Cacao.	Trunk Cinchona.	Branch Cinchona.	Cinchona Chips.	Cocoanuts.	Copperash.	Cocconut Oil.	Cocconut Poona.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Lbony.	Plumbago.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Orchilla.	Kitcool Fibre.	Deer Horns.
<b>COLOMBO.</b>	1898.		cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.	No.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	oz.	oz.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	
ss. Bancoora	16/8	Bombay			80																						
ss. Sunda	17/8	Calcutta			4872																						
ss. Ville de la Ciotat	17/8	Marseilles			600																						
ss. Augsburg	18/8	Hamburg			14311																						
ss. Ceylon	19/8	London			560876																						
ss. Verona	19/8	Bombay			33308																						
ss. Clan Macrae	19/8	London			39989																						
ss. Ekarnoslav	19/8	Pt. Said & St. Petersburg			11200																						
<b>GALLÉ.</b>																											
Nil.																											

\* And Chips 28,000 lb.

Importation of Rice from Indian and other Ports during the Week.

TO COLOMBO:—	TO GALLÉ:—
From Calcutta...	Bags 45,204
Bombay...	" 2,864
Rangoon	" 15,760
Southern India	" 22,028
Total ...	Bags 85,856

From Southern India ... Bags 62

H. M. Customs,  
Colombo, August 24, 1898.

K. MACLEOD,  
for Acting Principal Collector.