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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,  
Colombo, March 17, 1898.

### CEYLON, SOUTH COAST.

Notice is hereby given that the Bell buoy marking the Cadda rocks at the eastern entrance to Galle Harbour, will on April 15 next be shifted due south of its present position as charted, a distance of one and half cable, and moored in 12½ fathoms, distant 233 fathoms by measurement from the outer Cadda rock in a south half east direction. Commanders of steamers approaching the Port are requested to note this, and keep a position clear of the buoy until the Pilot shows his flag (white red and white) horizontal, when it is safe to steer for the Pilot's canoe. If under sail, the canoe is distinguishable by the letter P on it, with the Pilot flag displayed above; should the buoy be out of position, the usual signals from the flag-staff will be hoisted to that effect.

Master Attendants Office,  
Galle February 12, 1898.

J. TRUSCOTT,  
Master Attendant.

### BENGAL.—No. 46.

*Australia—Brisbane River—Increased depth of Water in the dredged Channels of the Brisbane River, and corresponding alteration of Tide Signals from the Pile Lighthouse.*

The Port Master, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 1 of 1898) that on and after the 16th instant, the available depth in the dredged cuttings of the Brisbane river will be 16 ft. at low water.

Tide signals will be made from the Pile Lighthouse in accordance with the following amended Code :—

Day Signals.	Depth in Cutting. Feet.	Night Signals.
Flag East	16	White East
Flag West	16½	White West
Ball East	17	Red East
Ball West	17½	Red West
Cone East	18	Green East
Cone West	18½	Green West
Inverted cone East	19	White East, red West
Inverted cone West	19½	White West, red East
Ball East, cone West	20	Red East, green West
Ball West, cone East	20½	Red West, green East
Ball East, inverted cone West	21	Green East, white West
Ball West, inverted cone East	21½	Green West, white East.

Day Signals.	Depth in Cutting. Feet.	Night Signals.
Cone East, inverted cone West ...	22	White East, white West
Cone West, inverted cone East ...	22½	Red East, Red West
Cone East, cone West ...	23	Green East, green West
Inverted cone East, inverted cone West	23½	Two white vertical West
Ball East, ball West	24	Red over white West
Flag East, flag West	24½	Green over white West

It will be noted that no alteration is to be made in the arrangement of the symbols, the changes made being in the depth corresponding to each signal.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 47.

*Australia—New Caledonian Submarine Cable.*

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 2 of 1898) that in connection with the repairs to this cable, there are now two buoys, surmounted with flag and staff, laid in the following positions, viz. :—

First—

Latitude 24° 17' 15" South.  
Longitude 153° 12' East.

Second—

Latitude 24° 17' South.  
Longitude 153° 15' 15" East.

From the first of these positions Lady Elliot Island bears W. by N. ½ N., 26½ miles.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 48.

*Australia—Brisbane River—Rescinding Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 1898.*

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 3 of 1898) that Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 1898, dealing with the Tide Signals in connection with increased depth of the Brisbane river, is rescinded.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 49.

*Australia—Cleveland Bay—A small Light near the Quarantine Station Jetty.*

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 4 of 1898) that a small white light is now exhibited from a platform situated near the Quarantine Station Jetty, Cleveland Bay, to enable vessels to pick up the deep water anchorage with greater facility.

The light is visible between the bearings of N. 73° E. and N. 34° E., being screened to mark the No. 2 Black buoy and the Cage buoy.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 50.

*Australia—Prince of Wales Channel—Beacon on Ipili Reef blown down.*

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 5 of 1898) that the beacon on Ipili-reef, Prince Wales of Channel, has been blown down. The beacon will be restored as soon as possible, due notice of which will be given. Charts affected, Nos. 2,354 and 691.

Australia Directory, volume II., page 431.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 28, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 51.

*Bay of Bengal—Sandheads—Hooghly River—Pilot's Ridge Lightship placed in position.*

The Deputy Conservator of the Port, Calcutta, has given notice that the Pilot's Ridge lightship, which is now placed in position from March 15 to October 31, inclusive, will, from November 1 next, remain in position the whole year.

There will be no blue light burnt between November 1 and March 14.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 52.

*Bay of Bengal—Hooghly River—Gasper Channel—A flashing Light instead of a fixed White Light.*

The Deputy Conservator of the Port, Calcutta, has given notice that the fixed white light now exhibited from the Lower Gasper lightship will be discontinued from October 31 next.

In place thereof this lightship will display on and after November 1 next a flashing light in the following periods :—A flash of 10 seconds ; an eclipse of 10 seconds ; a flash of 10 seconds ; and a dark interval of 30 seconds.

The blue lights will be shown as notified.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,  
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 23, 1898.

THE following Goods lying unclaimed in the Customs premises over three months will be put up for sale by public auction on April 16, 1898:—

Name of Vessel.	Marks.	Number and Description of Goods.
Palawan	Nil	1 barrel cement (half empty)
Clan MacGregor	D D L in a triangle or nil	3 boxes clay pipes, broken
Stenburger	Nil	4 barrels cement, broken
Clan Macintosh	4,378 in a diamond or nil	2 crates hardware, broken
Golconda	Nil	4 barrels cement, broken
Pemba	Nil	1 drum vocum oil, broken
Nil	Nil	3 empty casks
Palawan	Nil	1 drum paint, leaking
Markira	Nil	2 barrels cement, broken
India	Nil	2 barrels cement, broken
Clan Mathison	744/2449 in a triangle or nil	2 crates empty bottles, broken
Nil	Nil	17 cases cart bushes, broken
Nil	Nil	1 barrel merchandise, broken (half empty)
Nil	Nil	8 iron bundles
Nil	Nil	19 pieces iron
Simla	G F H	1 piece iron
Clan Macdonald	Nil	1 piece casting
Clan Mocroi	C C C in a diamond	1 fire bar
Clan Macintosh	R J F	9 cases whiskey 5 cases said to contain 4 4/12 doz., 4 cases said to contain 3 7/12 doz.
Bramfels	66 in a diamond and S B & Co.	1 parcel containing two packets playing cards
Byculla	Nil	34 pieces stores
Rajpootana	M S M	2 bags poonac said to weigh 4-cwt. 2 qr.
Nizam	L K	1 bag poonac said to weigh 4 cwt.
Ellora	Nil	2 empty oil casks
Do.	Nil	1 bag castor cake manure said to weigh 1 cwt. 2 qr. 22lb.
Do.	C P	1 bag mustard seed 1 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.
Do.	S	1 bag marhe seed, 1 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.
Do.	C	1 bag mustard seed, 1 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.
Do.	S M	1 bag mustard seed, 1 cwt. 1 qr.
Clan Grant	L & S	3 cases merchandise, exposed
Do.	Nil	2 bars iron
Clan MacGregor	142 in a diamond	1 case merchandise, exposed
Do.	Nil	1 bundle hoop iron
Malta	Nil	2 pipes
Nawab	Nil	1 bag rice said to measure 2 bushels
Chindwara	Nil	1 do.
Regina	Nil	1 bundle ashes
Vadalla	Nil	4 bags sweepings, almost slack
Shropshire	Nil	7 bags grain, torn and slack
Nadir	Nil	1 bag bran, torn and slack
Aska	T V S	1 bag copperah
P. Kalyany	—	1 bag medicines, slack
Zamacu Muru	Nil	A quantity of loose tea shooks, 12 bundles
Nuddia	Nil	14 bundles fish, 3 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb., torn and slack
Do.	Nil	1 bag flour, 1 cwt. 3 qr., torn and slack
Do.	Nil	1 bag merchandise, 1 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb., torn and slack
Do.	S A	2 bags corriender seeds, 1 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb., torn and slack
Do.	Nil	2 bags rice, 3-27 bushels, torn and slack
Do.	Nil	210 pieces scantlings
Clan Macintosh	Nil	6 pieces cart bushes, broken
Clan Chisholm	Nil	1 piece casting
Clan Grant	Nil	6 barrels dust, broken
Do.	Nil	2 cases tea, broken
Clan Murray	Rev. J. H. Gregson	1 case merchandise, torn and slack
Do.	P. H. Higbert	1 parcel merchandise, torn and slack
Do.	A. T. Cathcart	1 case merchandise, leaking and repaired
Nurani	S M V	8 bags rice, torn
Do.	Nil	1 bag rice, slack
Do.	A M K	2 bags rice
Do.	Nil	1 bag paddy, repaired
Do.	A M	1 bag paddy
Do.	F F or nil	1 bundle cuttle fish
Aska	Nil	1 bag grain, slack
Clan Munro	C in a diamond and A T	1 case merchandise, repaired
Trieste	C J N	3 cases merchandise
Bancoora	M N	1 bag dry fruits, torn
Imperialist (Madras No. 243-28;8)	Nil	39 pieces hardware

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 Ginchona.	Branch Ginchona.	Ginchona Chips.	Cocoanuts.	Copperah.	Cocoanut Oil.	Cocoanut Ponnac.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Pumbugo.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Orcilla.	Kitcool Fibre.	Deer Horns.		
<b>COLOMBO.</b>																													
ss. Clan MacArthur	15/3	London			283553	51																198	672						
ss. Clan Sutherland	16/3	London			295274																		125						
ss. Preussen	17/3	Singapore			16127																								
ss. Idzami Maru	19/3	Bombay			2988												532												
ss. Orizaba	19/3	London			119936																								
ss. Clan Drummond	19/3	London			423384	555					120			22457*			4764					300	1762						
ss. Prinz Heinrich	19/3	Bremen			220									3500†															
ss. China	19/3	Australia			361926																								
<b>GALLE.</b>																													
ss. Clan Stuart	15/3	London																											

\* And chips 18,457 lb. † And chips 5,712 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO:—	TO GALLE:—
From Bombay ...	Bags 1,984
Calcutta ...	" 27,094
Poona ...	" 6,211
Southern India	" 6,572
Total ...	Bags 41,861

Nil.

LIONEL F. LEE,  
Principal Collector.

Customs, Colombo, March 23, 1898.