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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, August 17, 1898.

### BENGAL.—No. 154.

*Australia, East Coast—Pioneer River Entrance—Decreased depth on Shoal Northward of Flat Top Island.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 323 of 1898) that the shoal northward of Flat Top island has a depth of 14 ft. on it, and not 3 fathoms as hitherto supposed. The outer limit of this shoal will be marked by a buoy.

To clear this shoal, the back leading beacon or light should be kept twice its own breadth open to the northward of the front beacon, when Flat Top island light bears between S. 39° W. and S. 11° W.

Approximate position: lat. 21° 8' 50" S., long. 149° 16' 42" E.

Variation, 7° easterly in 1898.

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

Calcutta, July 12, 1898.

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### BENGAL.—No. 157.

*China, East Coast—Hai Tan Strait—Amended particulars of Namoa Rock.*

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 61, dated March 3, 1898, issued by this office, on the approximate position of Namoa rock, the British Admiralty has given further notice (No. 339 of 1898) that this rock consists of a patch about half a cable long north and south and three-quarters of a cable broad, with a least depth of 4 ft. at low water springs, over two pinnacles, about 30 yards apart, situated near its centre.

From the pinnacles the north extreme of Brown rock bears east, distant 5½ cables; and summit of Fairway island S ¼ E.

Approximate position: lat. 25° 47' 5" N., long. 119° 38' 50" E.

Variation, 1° westerly in 1898.

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

Calcutta, July 23, 1898.

### BENGAL.—No. 158.

*Japan—Seto Uchi.*

(1) *Harima Nada—Rocks South-Westward of Shika sima*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 340 of 1898) of the existence of a sunken rock, locally named Toishi, about a cable in extent, with a least depth of 1½

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fathom on its western end, situated in a position with Kuro saki, bearing S. 64° E., distant 8½ cables; and remarkable stone on Shika sima N. 45° E.

Approximate position: lat. 34° 27' 55" N., long. 134° 7' 45" E.

An isolated rock, which dries 2 ft. at low water, is situated N. 30° E., distant 2½ cables from the above rock.

(2) *Takamatsu Approach—Sunken Rock Westward of O sima.*

Also, of the existence of a rock, locally named Ozuchi dashi, about a quarter of a cable long east and west, with a depth of 3 fathoms on it and 4 to 5 fathoms close to, in a position with the south-west point of O sima, bearing S. 47° E., distant about 5 cables; and the north point of O sima N. 60° E.

Approximate position: lat. 34° 24' 25" N., long. 134° 5' E.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1898.

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

Calcutta, July 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 159.

*Japan—Seto Uchi—St. Vincent Channel—Dangers Southward of Shiaku sima.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 341 of 1898) of the existence of a sunken rock, with a least depth of 4½ fathoms on it, and steep to all round, situated

in a position with the clump (340) on Uai sima bearing S. 75° E., distant 7 cables; and summit (696) at south end of Shiaku sima N. 16° E.

Approximate position: lat. 34° 21' 55" N., long. 133° 45' 30" E.

Also that an exhaustive, but unsuccessful, search was made for the rock, with a depth of one fathom in it, hitherto shown on the Charts about a cable northward of the above position. This rock is also unknown to the local fishermen. It has consequently been expunged from the Charts.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1898.

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

Calcutta, July 23, 1898.

BENGAL.—No. 160.

*Japan—Simonoseki Strait—Sunken Wreck in Moji Bay.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 343 of 1898) that the wreck of the steamvessel *Toshima Maru* lies sunk with two masts and funnel showing above water in a position with Moji hill summit (583), bearing N. 60° E., distant 4½ cables; and  $\Delta$  summit (803) S. 44° E.

Approximate position: lat. 33° 57' 20" N., long. 130° 57' 20" E.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1898.

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

Calcutta, July 23, 1898.

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.	Tee.	Cacao.	Trunk Cinchona.	Branch Cinchona.	Cinchona 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.	Ochilla.	Ritcool Fibre.	Deer Horns.			
<b>COLOMBO.</b>	1898.																													
ss. Gian MacNab...	9/8	London			148165		4452			41100													1769							
ss. Priam	10/8	do.			237530																		330							
ss. Asia	10/8	do.			249442										1050½								135							
ss. Ormuz	10/8	do.			452742																		943							
ss. Vindabona	12/8	Trieste			23212					250140	2003	1063																		
ss. Pindari	12/8	London			224918	4								61703†																
ss. Orotava	12/8	Australia			138824																									
ss. Bhundara	12/8	Bombay			100																									
ss. Gisela	12/8	Kobe			330																									
ss. Salazie	12/8	China			130																									
ss. Bayern	13/8	Bremen			7730																									
ss. Sumatra	13/8	Calcutta			3534																									
<b>GALLE.</b>																														
ss. Chyebassa	8/8	Calcutta										727				9600														
ss. Avery Hill	9/8	New York										7099				631056														
ss. Gian Macrae	10/8	London			28580					10200		1000				2478107														

\* And Chips 5,600 lb. † And Chips 3,230 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO :-		TO GALLE :-	
From Calcutta...	Bags 36,515	From Calcutta ...	Bags 2,489
Pondicherry	28	Southern India "	8,927
Southern India	10,544	Total ...	Bags 11,416
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>Bags 47,087</b>		

K. MACLEOD,  
for Acting Principal Collector.

H. M. Customs,  
Colombo, August 16, 1898.