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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,

EVERARD IM THURN,
Colonial Secretary's Office, Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, May 23, 1903.

MADRAS.—No. 22 of 1903.

India—West Coast—Cochin.

Information has been received from the Port Officer, Cochin, that the bar and spit buoys at the harbour entrance and the quarantine buoys in the inner harbour at Cochin will be removed from the ensuing monsoon on May 15, 1903, and that during the period from May 15 to September 30, 1903, the light hitherto exhibited from the Narakal flagstaff will be exhibited from the Mallipuram flagstaff, the Narakal flagstaff being dismantled.

T. G. R. FINNY, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Presidency Port Officer.

Madras, April 28, 1903.

MADRAS.—No. 23 of 1903.

India—West Coast—Narakal.

The smoothest water will be found in $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms L. W. S. T. soft mud on the following bearings magnetic, viz. :—

Mallipuram flagstaff	...	N. 80° E.
Narakal obelisk	...	N. 53° E.
Cochin lighthouse	...	S. 45° E.

2. Mariners are cautioned that the mud flats off Narakal have extended seaward.

3. Narakal flagstaff having been dismantled and removed the light, bright, fixed, will in future be exhibited from the Mallipuram flagstaff.

4. In taking up an anchorage due consideration should be given to the state of the weather. The anchorage given is a good one for all weathers, but smoother water will be found still further north. Vessels wishing for a quick despatch may, during fine weather, approach nearer Cochin to enable boats to get to and from Cochin between Vypeen point and the sands, but in this position during a fresh breeze a short sea soon gets up making shipping operation difficult and causing damage to boats.

G. LEVERETT,
Master Attendant of Sircar Ports.

Port Office,
Cochin, April 25, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 145.

China Sea—Singapore—Keppel Harbour Approach—Cyrene Shoal—Light Buoy established.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 264 of 1903) that a light buoy, painted red, and exhibiting a white occulting light, has been moored off the south-eastern point of Cyrene shoal, in the approach to New or Keppel harbour, with the easternmost white beacon on Cyrene shoal bearing N. 20° W., distant one cable, and the westernmost white beacon on the same shoal S. 88° W.

Approximate position: lat. 1° 15' N., long. 103° 45' E.
Variation, 2° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Singapore strait, No. 2,403; Singapore, Main strait, No. 2,404; also China Sea Directory, vol. I., 1896, page 199; and Supplement, 1899, page 15.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Calcutta, May 4, 1903. Port Officer of Calcutta.

BENGAL.—No. 146.

Africa, South—Cape Colony—Simon's Bay—Light established at Dockyard Extension Works.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 267 of 1903) that a red fixed light, visible from a distance of 4 miles, has been established on the northern extremity of a temporary wooden pier constructed in connection with the dockyard extension works off Block House point; it is situated with the 3 ft. rock off Block House point bearing S. 33° E., distant 270 yards, and northern extremity of Cole point N. 84° W.

Approximate position: lat. 34° 11' 25" S., long. 18° 26' 40" E.

Variation, 29° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:— Simon's bay, No. 1,849; also List of Lights, part IV., 1903, page 142, part IV., page 8; Africa Pilot, part II., 1901, page 343; Africa Pilot, part III., 1897, page 72; and Supplement, 1900, page 6.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Calcutta, May 4, 1903. Port Officer of Calcutta.

BENGAL.—No. 147.

Africa, East—Delagoa Bay—Lorenzo Marques—Time Signal established.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 268 of 1903) that a time ball has been established at the Port Captain's Office, Lorenzo Marques. The ball will be dropped at 1h 0m 0s P.M. local mean time, corresponding to 22h 49m 41s.7 Greenwich mean time.

Should this signal be in accurate, the ball will be dropped again at 2h 0m 0s P.M. local mean time.

Approximate position: lat. 25° 58' 5" S., long. 32° 34' 35" E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Delagoa bay, No. 644; English river, No. 646; also List of Time Signals, 1901, page 54; Africa Pilot, part III., 1897, page 198; and Supplement, 1900, page 16.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Calcutta, May 4, 1903. Port Officer of Calcutta.

BENGAL.—No. 148.

Eastern Archipelago—Borneo, South Coast—Barito River entrance—Direction of Submarine Cable altered.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 269 of 1903) that the direction of the shore end of the submarine cable at the entrance to the Barito river has been altered; it has now been laid from the telegraph station at Little Musang river in a westerly direction across the Barito entrance to the shoal extending from Pedada Tua point, and from thence on the western side of the channel southward to the sea.

In consequence of this alteration, the white non buoy, situated 1½ mile S. 50° W. from the telegraph station, has been moved 5 cables to the northward to a position from which the telegraph station bears N. 65° E., distant one mile, and the black can buoy situated 1½ mile S. 80° W. from the same station to a position from which the telegraph station bears S. 70° E., distant 1½ mile.

Vessels are prohibited from anchoring anywhere between these buoys, or in the area between the telegraph station bearing N. 65° E. and S. 70° E.

A red fixed light will be exhibited near the Telegraph station.

Approximate position: telegraph station, lat. 3° 31½' S., long. 114° 31' E.

Variation, 2° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Barito river on Chart No. 2,662; also List of Lights, part

VI., 1903, page 102; Eastern Archipelago, part II., 1893, page 296; and Supplement, 1899, page 32.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, May 4, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 149.

Cochin China—Tourane Bay Approach—Tien Sha Light—Intended Alteration.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 271 of 1903) that it is intended to replace the white fixed light exhibited on the eastern side of Tien sha peninsula by a red group flashing light every ten seconds, thus: flash, one-tenth of a second; eclipse, two and a half seconds; flash, one-tenth of a second; eclipse, seven and three-tenth seconds. It will be elevated 518 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 20 miles between the bearings of N. 39° W., through west and south to S. 53° E. The lighthouse, which is a cylindrical tower of masonry, 28 ft. high, is painted white.

The new light was to have been exhibited experimentally, together with the present white fixed light, in December, 1902, but further notice will be given when the new light has replaced the old one.

Approximate position: lat. 16° 8¼' N., long. 108° 17¾' E.
Variation, 2° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— China sea, Nos. 1,263, 2,661a; Fan Rang bay to Tongking gulf, No. 1,342; also List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 675; China Sea Directory, vol. II., 1899, page 419; and Supplement, 1901, page 15.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Calcutta, May 4, 1903. Port Officer of Calcutta.

BENGAL.—No. 150.

Eastern Archipelago—Borneo, East Coast—Sibuko Bay—Hand Rock marked by a Buoy—Its description given.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 275 of 1903) that Hand rock, Sibuko bay, has been marked on its southern side by a conical buoy, surmounted by staff and ball, placed in a depth of 16 fathoms at low water in a position of from which Saddle hill (450 ft.) bears N. 4° E., distant 9¼ miles.

Approximate position: lat. 4° 8' N., long. 118° 11' E.

This buoy must not be implicitly relied on.

Captain Welsh of the ss. Mau sang describes this reef as being rectangular in shape, one cable long in an easterly and westerly direction, and half a cable wide, with a depth of half a foot on its eastern extremity, and 2 ft. at its western end; it is difficult to distinguish, as the water is not discoloured.

Variation, 2° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Sulu Archipelago, No. 2,576; Sibuko bay, No. 1,681; also Eastern Archipelago, part I., 1902, page 213.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, May 4, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 151.

Japan—Naikai (Inland Sea)—Simonoseki Strait—Wreck in Eastern Approach.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 276 of 1903) of the existence of a wreck with one mast standing about 10 ft. above water lying sunk in Kita Suido, eastern entrance to Simonoseki strait, in a position with the eastern extremity of Manju shima bearing N. 11° E., distant 5½ cables, and the northern extremity of Kanju shima N. 58° W.

Approximate position: lat. 33° 59¼' N., long. 131° 1¼' E.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Simonoseki strait to Maruyama saki, No. 3,225; Simonoseki strait, Nos. 532, 1,578; also China Sea Directory, vol. IV., 1894, pages 427, 429, 434; and Supplement, 1898, page 24.

E. J. BEAUMONT, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Calcutta, May 4, 1903. Port Officer of Calcutta.

Total Quantities of the following Articles exported from the Ports of Colombo and Galle during the under-mentioned Periods.

Vessel.	Date of Clearing.	For what Port.	Plantation Coffee.	Native Coffee.	Tea.	Cm. no.	Trunk Cinchona.	Branch Cinchona.	Cinchona Chips.	Cocoanuts.	Copperah.	Cocunut Oil.	Cocunut Ponnac.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Pumbago.	Cotr Rope.	Cotr Junk.	Cotr Yarn.	Cotr Fibre.	Sapari-wood.	Orchilla.	Kittool Fibre.	Beer Horns.	
COLOMBO.																												
ss. Warwickshire	1903.	Rangoon			600																							
ss. Tomkin	18-5	Marseilles			2775												4232											
ss. Australien	18-5	Australia			344913																							
ss. Omrah	18-5	do.			243483	100																						
ss. Saint Fillans	18-5	New York			10520																							
ss. Valetta	22-5	China			4210											177856												
ss. Borneo	22-5	Calcutta			770																							
ss. Gisela	22-5	Trieste																										
ss. Cachar	22-5	Marseilles																										
ss. Stuttgart	22-5	Marseilles																										
ss. Java	22-5	London			67223		2240																					
ss. Rhein	22-5	Bremen			321830																							
ss. Sonneburg	23-5	Hamburg			54924	309																						
ss. Clan Murray	23-5	London			2848																							
ss. Clan Lamont	23-5	do.			378226		5472																					
ss. Princess Marie	23-5	Hankow			702823	400																						
ss. Ville de la Citat	23-5	Marseilles			106147																							
					3750																							
GALLE.																												
ss. Clan Ranold	1903.	London																										
	21-5									29900																		

* And Chips 26,982 lb.

† And Chips 23,510 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO :-		TO GALLE :-	
From Valangany	Bags	From Calcutta	Bags
Rangoon	5,888	Southern India	1,360
Penang	17,561	"	2,849
Calcutta	2,700		
Madras	8,904		
Karikal	110		
Southern India	3,500		
	10,685		
Total	49,348	Total	4,209

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, May 25, 1903.

H. L. CRAWFORD,
Principal Collector.

THE under-mentioned goods having been left in the Kochchikada Warehouses beyond the time allowed by Law, notice is hereby given that unless the same be cleared or bonded, they will be sold by public auction on Friday, June 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon:—

Date.	Vessel.	From	Marks.	Quantity and Description of Goods.
1902.				
December 1	ss. Henzada	Calcutta	G D	3 bags gram
Do. 27	ss. Lancashire	Rangoon	Nil	2 bags rice
1903.				
January 13	ss. Kerbella	Bombay	D J	1 carboy rose water (broken)
Do. 21	ss. Gulna	do.	L B & Co in a trangle	2 bundles tea shooks
February 9	ss. Urlana	do.	Nil	1 lot scantlings
Do. 12	ss. Booldana	do.	R, H	3 bundles coir yarn
Do. 12	do.	do.	Nil	1 bundle coir yarn

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, May 28, 1903.

H. L. CRAWFORD,
Principal Collector.