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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, June 11, 1903.

MADRAS.—No. 31 of 1903.

India—East Coast—Vizagapatam District—Santopilli
Light—Alteration of Character postponed.

It is hereby notified for the information of mariners that the alteration of the light at Santopilli referred to in this office notices Nos. 4 and 13 of 1903 is postponed.

Further notice will be given of the date on which the new group flashing light will be exhibited.

T. H. BAKER,
for Presidency Port Officer.

Presidency Port Office,
Madras, June 3, 1903.

MADRAS.—No. 32 of 1903.

India—East Coast—Vizagapatam—Intended Light at
Vizagapatam postponed.

It is hereby notified for the information of mariners that the exhibition of a light at Vizagapatam referred to in this office notices Nos. 7 and 19 of 1903 is postponed.

Further notice will be given of the date on which the light will be exhibited.

T. H. BAKER,
for Presidency Port Officer.

Presidency Port Office,
Madras, June 3, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 160.

Australia—Pioneer River—Mackay—Alterations to
Entrance.

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 4 of 1903) that heavy floods have caused changes on the bar of the Pioneer river, and that the line of deepest water has moved considerably south of its former position.

The following marks will take a vessel through the deepest water, viz. :—

The extremity of the north entrance wall, or a beacon near to in line with the flagstaff at Fisherman point, bearing about N.-W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. By night this line will be marked by a red light and a white light. Leading beacons at the points indicated are being erected, and buoys will also be placed to define the limits of the deep water.

Directions.—Vessels will approach the bar, keeping the north extremity of Round Top islet in line with the south extremity of Flat Top islet, bearing S. 84° E., until the above-named marks come in line bearing N.-W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. Keep them in line until near the north entrance wall, when the old marks bearing W. by N. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. come in line; keep them so and continue as hitherto.

Chart affected :—No. 347, Australia Directory, vol. II.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 161.

Australia—Torres Strait—Inner Route—Ex Reef—
Beacon down.

The Portmaster, Brisbane, has given notice (No. 5 of 1903) that the beacon on Ex reef in latitude 10° 53' 30" S. is reported to be down.

The beacon will be replaced as soon as practicable.
Charts affected :—Nos. 2,919, 2,354, Australia Directory, vol. II.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 162.

India, West—Bombay Coast—Bombay Harbour—Wreck of the "Setos" marked by a Buoy.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 38, dated January 14, 1903, issued by this office, the Bombay Government has given notice (No. 34 of 1903) that a large harbour shoal buoy, can-shaped and painted green with the word "Wreck" painted in white, has been placed about 20 fathoms east of the wreck of the ss. Setos.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—Port of Bombay, No. 655 ; also, West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 1898, page 201.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 163.

India, West—Gulf of Kutch—Karumbhar Island—Light to be discontinued temporarily.

The Bombay Government has given notice (No. 35 of 1903) that the white fixed light shown from the Pata Pir, Karumbhar island, will not be exhibited from May 10, 1903, as the existing light is to be replaced by a new one.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—Gulf of Kutch, No. 43 ; also, West Coast of Hindustan Pilot, 4th edition, 1901 ; and List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 309.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 164.

China, South Coast—Canton River—Comus Rock—Light established.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 106, dated April 26, 1902, issued by this office, the British Admiralty has given further notice (No. 293 of 1903) that a red fixed light has been established on an iron davit, 16 ft. high, erected on Comus rock, Canton river.

Approximate position: lat. $23^{\circ} 13' N.$, long. $113^{\circ} 24' E.$

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—Canton river, No. 1,742 ; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 703 ; and China Sea Directory, vol. III., 1894, page 108.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 165.

Africa, East Coast—Port Mombasa—Serani Point High Light—Intended Alteration.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 296 of 1903) that on or about May 1, 1903, the black and white pillar on Serani point, which forms the rear leading mark into Mombasa harbour, will be replaced by an iron tower, painted black and white, from which a white flashing light every five seconds, elevated 85 ft. above high water, will be exhibited in place of the present white fixed light.

The duration of each flash of the new light will be one-tenth of a second.

This light, in line with the red fixed light exhibited from the front pillar, N. $51^{\circ} W.$, will lead through the fairway into the port.

Approximate position : lat. $4^{\circ} 44' S.$, long. $39^{\circ} 41' E.$
Variation, 8° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—Zanzibar to Malindi, No. 664 ; Port Mombasa, No. 666 ; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 70 ; Africa Pilot, part III., 1897, page 491 ; and Supplement, 1900, page 31.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 166.

China, East Coast—Yang Tse Kiang—Wusung Bar—New Channel over Bar—Alteration in Lights and Buoys.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 301 of 1903) of the existence of a new channel, with a depth of $12\frac{1}{2}$ ft. in it at low-water springs, over the outer Wusung bar.

Also, that in order to mark the new channel, the following alterations have been made in the lights :—

(a) The outer bar light-vessel, exhibiting a red and a white fixed light, has been moved to the southern side of the new channel, or about $1\frac{1}{2}$ cables S. $23^{\circ} W.$ from her former position, and from her Wusung light-house now bears S. $80^{\circ} W.$, distant $11\frac{1}{2}$ cables.

(b) Wusung light has been altered to show white fixed, the red and green sectors being discontinued.

Approximate position : lat. $31^{\circ} 23' N.$, long. $121^{\circ} 30' E.$

(c) The Wusung spit buoy (black and red vertical stripes), about 1 mile north-eastward from Wusung light, has been withdrawn.

(d) The Fort buoy has been moved S. $79^{\circ} E.$ $2\frac{1}{2}$ cables, and is now moored in a depth of 16 ft. low-water springs, with Wusung light, bearing S. $80^{\circ} W.$, distant $5\frac{1}{2}$ cables. This buoy marks the southern side of the inner entrance to the new channel.

Directions.—To obtain the deepest water in crossing the bar from seaward, vessels should pass about half a cable northward of the Outer bar light-vessel and steer S. $82^{\circ} W.$ for the Fort buoy.

Variation, 2° westerly in 1903.

A new edition of Chart No. 1,601 will be issued.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—Approaches to the Yang tse, No. 1,602 ; Wusung river, No. 1,601 ; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, Nos. 745, 746 ; and China Sea Directory, vol. III., 1894, page 429.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 167.

Australia, East Coast—Queensland—Capricorn Group—Shoal reported to the North-westward.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 302 of 1903) of the existence of a shoal, on which the sea was breaking heavily, in a position with North reef light-house, Capricorn group, bearing S. $39^{\circ} E.$, distant 19 miles.

Approximate position : lat. $22^{\circ} 54' S.$, long. $151^{\circ} 46' E.$

Caution.—Mariners are warned that this reef is near the track followed by steamships between the Capricorn group and High Peak island.

Variation, 8° easterly in 1903.

This notice effects the following Admiralty Charts :—Coral sea, No. 2,763 ; Keppel islands to Percy islands, No. 346 ; also, Australia Directory, vol. II., 1893, page 201.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 168.

Eastern Archipelago—Java, North Coast—Tegal Light—Character altered.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 367, dated December 20, 1902, issued by this office, the British Admiralty has given further notice (No. 309 of 1903) that the character of Tegal light has been altered from white fixed to a white group occulting light every thirty seconds, thus :—Light, fifteen seconds ; eclipse, three seconds ; light, three seconds ; eclipse, three seconds ; light, three seconds ; eclipse, three seconds.

The light is of the 5th order.

Approximate position : lat. $6^{\circ} 51' S.$, long. $109^{\circ} 8' E.$
 This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—
 Eastern Archipelago, No. 942a; Java, No. 1,653; also,
 List of Lights, part IV., 1903, No. 482; and Eastern
 Archipelago, part II., 1893, page 119.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 169.

Eastern Archipelago—Java, North Coast—Cheribon Light
 —Character altered.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 368, dated
 December 20, 1902, issued by this office, the British
 Admiralty has given further notice (No. 310 of 1903)
 that the character of Cheribon light has been altered
 from white fixed to a white group flashing light every
 thirty seconds, thus :—Flash, three seconds; eclipse, three
 seconds; flash, three seconds; eclipse, three seconds;
 flash, three seconds; eclipse, fifteen seconds.

The light is of the 5th order.

Approximate position: lat. $6^{\circ} 43' S.$, long. $108^{\circ} 34' E.$
 This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—
 Eastern Archipelago, No. 941a; Java, No. 1,653;
 Cheribon road on Chart No. 932; also, List of Lights,
 part VI., 1903, No. 479; Eastern Archipelago, part II.,
 1893, page 117; and Supplement, 1899, page 11.

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

Calcutta, May 18, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 170.

India, West—Bombay (Goa) Coast—Murmagoa Harbour—
Date of Exhibition of Light.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 361, dated
 December 20, 1902, issued by this office, the Bombay
 Government has given further notice (No. 37 of 1903)
 that information has been received from the Agent,
 Southern Mahratta Railway Company, Limited, dated
 May 5, 1903, that the red light at the end of the
 Breakwater at Murmagao harbour will not be lighted
 from June 1, 1903, during the monsoon.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 171.

China, East Coast—Hunghwa Sound Approach—Lam Yit
Channel—Rock reported.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 314 of
 1903) that the Master of the Mercantile Steamship
 Company's steamship Ness reports that on October 27,
 1901, on passing between Loutz island and Loutz shoal,
 he passed a rock awash at low water situated with Loutz
 island summit bearing S. $89^{\circ} E.$, distant 7 cables.

Approximate position: lat. $25^{\circ} 7\frac{3}{4}' N.$, long. $119^{\circ} 21' E.$
 The position of this rock must be considered doubtful.
 Variation, 1° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—
 Ockseu islands to Tung Yung, No. 1,761; also, China Sea
 Directory, vol. III., 1894, page 194.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 172.

Africa, South-east—Madagascar, North-west Coast—Nosi
Bé—Rocks to the Westward.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 327 of
 1903) of the existence of the under-mentioned rocks to
 the westward of Nosi Bé :—

- (1) A rock, with a depth of 1 ft. over it at lowest
 tide, situated with the summit of Nosi Tangam
 bearing N. $20^{\circ} E.$, distant 6 cables, and the
 south-eastern extremity of Nosi Bé S. $50^{\circ} E.$

- (2) A rock, with a depth of $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms over it at
 lowest tide, situated with the summit of Nosi
 Tangam bearing N. $82^{\circ} E.$, distant $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles,
 and Tani Keli light S. $50^{\circ} E.$

Approximate position : Nosi Tangam, lat. $13^{\circ} 21\frac{1}{4}' S.$,
 long. $48^{\circ} 11\frac{1}{4}' E.$

Variation, 7° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—
 Pasindava and adjacent bays, No. 706; also, Islands in
 Southern Indian Ocean, 1891, page 180; and Supplement,
 1898, page 23.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 173.

Australia—Victoria—Cape Otway Light—Red Sectors
established.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 377, dated
 December 27, 1902, issued by this office, the British
 Admiralty has given further notice (No. 328 of 1903)
 that Cape Otway light white group flashing has been
 altered to show red to the westward between the shore
 and the bearing of S. $79^{\circ} E.$, and also red to the eastward
 between the shore and S. $84^{\circ} W.$

On the line of the above bearings, and for some
 distance in shore of them, the colour of the flashes do not
 change directly to red, but an intermingling of red and
 white flashes is seen; in other respects the character of
 the light is maintained.

Approximate position : lat. $38^{\circ} 52' S.$, long. $143^{\circ} 31' E.$
 Variation, 8° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts :—
 Bass strait, No. 1,695b; Rivoli bay to Cape Otway,
 No. 1,062; Western approach to Bass strait, No. 1,063;
 also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 1,103; Australian
 Directory, vol. I., 1897, page 409; and Supplement, 1900,
 page 16.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 174.

Pacific Ocean—the Philippine Islands, Luzon, East Coast—
Shoal in Approach to Daet River.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 332 of
 1903) that the Captain of the U. S. Army transport
 Sacramento reports having obtained a sounding of $2\frac{1}{2}$
 fathoms over a white sandy bottom about 3 miles north-
 eastward from Daet river entrance.

Approximate position : lat. $14^{\circ} 8' N.$, long. $123^{\circ} 1' E.$

As the position of the above shoal was estimated,
 P. D. has been placed against it on the chart.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—
 St. Bernardino and Mindoro straits, No. 2,577; also,
 Eastern Archipelago, part I., 1902, page 375.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 175.

Pacific Ocean—the Philippine Islands,—Port Sebu—Colour
of St. Nicholas Light altered.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 335 of
 1903) that the colour of the light exhibited from the
 tower of St. Nicholas church, port Sebu, would be altered
 from white to red.

Approximate position: lat. $10^{\circ} 17\frac{1}{2}' N.$, long. $123^{\circ} 53' E.$

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :—
 Port Sebu, No. 3,193; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903,
 No. 587; and Eastern Archipelago, part I., 1902, page 284.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 176.

*Japan—Nipon, North-west Coast, Nawa South Harbour—
Buoys established.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 336 of 1903) that the under-mentioned dangers in the entrance to Nanao south harbour have been buoyed in the following manner:—

- (1) Toriguri (Serpent's tail). A black spar buoy surmounted by a spherical cage has been moored in a depth of 4 fathoms, low-water springs, to the northward of this shoal, in a position with Tera shima summit bearing N. 8° W., distant 9½ cables, and Matsuga saki N. 62° W.

Approximate position: lat. 37° 5½' N., long. 136° 59¼' E.

- (2) Suzuki sho (Fairway bank).—A red spar buoy surmounted by a spherical cage has been moored in a depth of 4 fathoms, low-water springs, to the eastward of this shoal, in a position with the eastern extreme of Kojin bana bearing N. 41° E., distant 4 cables, and Fuku ura sak S. 89° E.

- (3) Morita reef.—A black spar buoy surmounted by a spherical cage has been moored in a depth of 4 fathoms, low-water springs, to the northward of this shoal, in a position with Matsu saki bearing N. 45° E., distant 3½ cables, and Kado sima S. 70° E.

- (4) Shichiko (Schihiko) sho.—A red spar buoy surmounted by a spherical cage has been moored in a depth of 4 fathoms, low-water springs, on the south-eastern edge of this reef, in a position with Matsu saki bearing N. 50° W., distant 1½ cable, and the south-eastern extremity of No saki N. 38° E.

It is presumed that the buoys formerly marking the above dangers have been withdrawn.

Variation, 5° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Nanao harbours, No. 205; also, China Sea Directory, vol. IV., 1894, page 549.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 177.

Pacific Ocean—the Philippine Islands—St. Bernardino Strait—Alteration in the Character of Kapul Island Light.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 13, dated January 19, 1897, issued by this office, the British Admiralty has given further notice (No. 337 of 1903) that the light on Kapul island, St. Bernardino strait, has been altered from a group flashing to a white fixed light of the 6th order, elevated 143 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 18 miles.

Approximate position: lat. 12° 29' N., long. 124° 9' E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Molucca passage to Manila, No. 943; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 601; and Eastern Archipelago, part I., 1902, page 350.

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

Calcutta, May 23, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 178.

*Bay of Bengal—Burma Coast—Gulf of Martaban—
Exhibition of Light on Green Island, Entrance to
Moulmein River.*

A telegraphic communication has been received from the Principal Port Officer, Burma, stating that Green island light was exhibited from May 10, 1903.

Green island light is a 3rd order white dioptric light, giving alternate flashes and eclipses, the duration of both being fifteen seconds and making a complete revolution in two minutes. It is exhibited from a masonry tower painted in red and white horizontal bands, and is visible 17 miles all round the horizon, in clear weather.

With the exhibition of Green island light, the light on Amherst point has been discontinued.

This notice affects the following charts and sailing directions:—

Charts: No. 70 Bay of Bengal, No. 823 Bay of Bengal, East coast, Bassein river to Pulo Penang, Moulmein river and approaches, Bay of Bengal, East Coast, Gulf of Martaban.

Admiralty sailing directions: Bay of Bengal Pilot.

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

Calcutta, May 27, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 179.

*Eastern Archipelago—Celebes—Gulf of Tomini—Position
of Reef off Sausu Point.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 349 of 1903) that the position of the reef marked P. D., and shown on the charts as 10 miles east from Sausu point, is about 5 miles S. 11° E. from that position, it being situated approximately in lat. 1° 2' S., long. 120° 42' E. This reef is about one mile long in a north and south direction, with a ridge extending from its centre for about 6 cables in an easterly direction.

Variation, 2° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Eastern Archipelago, No. 942A; also, Eastern Archipelago, part II., 1893, page 366; and Supplement, 1899 page 58.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 180.

*Eastern Archipelago—Sumatra, West Coast—Kwala Batu
—Reef in Approach.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 350 of 1903) that a reef, with a depth of 3½ fathoms over it, is reported to exist in the approach to Kwala Batu and Susu.

Approximate position: lat. 3° 36¼' N., long. 96° 42¼' E. This reef, which is steep to all round, is indicated by discoloured water.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:—Acheh head to Tyngkok bay, No. 2,760; also, China Sea Directory, vol. I., 1896, page 267; and supplement, 1899, page 17.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 181.

*China—Hongkong, Kaulang Approach—Cust Rocks Buoy
—Colour altered.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 358 of 1903) that the buoy marking Cust rocks is now painted red instead of white, and marked "Cust" in black letters.

Approximate position: lat. 22° 18' N., long. 114° 11' E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Hongkong, No. 1,466; Hongkong harbour, No. 1,459; also, China Sea Directory, vol. III., 1894, page 78; and Supplement, 1898, page 9.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 182.

*Australia, South—Spencer Gulf—Port Augusta Approach
—Beacons established.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 362 of 1903) that a pile beacon, painted red with circular top, has been erected in a depth of 5 ft. at low-water springs on the western extremity of the sand flat to the southward of Yatala harbour in a position from which Two Hummock point bears N. 56° W., distant 2½ miles, and Mount Grainger N. 30° E.

Also, that the black buoy situated 4 cables N. 73° E. from Two Hummock point has been replaced by a black pile beacon surmounted by a diamond erected in a depth of 4 ft. at low-water springs on the edge of the spit.

Approximate position: Two Hummock point, lat. 32° 45' S., long. 137° 48½' E.

Variation, 5° easterly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:— Approach to Port Augusta, No. 401; also, Australia Directory, vol. I., 1897, pages 263, 262.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 183.

Africa, North-east—Red Sea—Suez Bay—Etuleh Shoals marked by Buoy.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 366 of 1903) that a red buoy marked "Etuleh" in black letters, and surmounted by staff and cage, has been moored, in a depth of 7 fathoms at low-water springs, south-eastward of the Etuleh shoal, Suez bay, in a position from which Kal ah Kebireh beacon bears S. 64° E., distant 13½ cables, and the north-east corner of the house in the curve of the quarry tramway S. 63° W.

Approximate position: lat. 29° 55' N., long. 32° 30' E.

Variation, 4° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:— Suez bay, No. 734; also, Red Sea, &c., Pilot, 1900, page 89.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 184.

Japan—Nipon, West Coast—Hino Misaki—Light established.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 367 of 1903) that on April 1, 1903, a group flashing light every twenty seconds, elevated 208 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 21 miles, would be established in a white cylindrical stone tower, 128 ft. high, erected on the northern part of Hino Misaki. The light, which shows thus: two white flashes in quick succession, three and seven-tenths of a second; eclipse, eight seconds; one red flash, three-tenths of a second; eclipse, eight seconds, is visible between the bearings of N. 29° E., through east and south, and S. 70° W.

The light power is 64,260 candles.

Approximate position: lat. 35° 26' N., long. 132° 37½' E.
Variation, 4° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:— Nipon, &c., No. 2,347; Aburatan bay to Ando zaki, No. 1,495; also, List of Lights, part VI., 1903, No. 978; and China Sea Directory, vol. IV., 1894, page 540.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 185.

Africa, North-East—Red Sea, Eastern Shore—Jidda Approach—Middle Gateway and Approach—Shoal Heads reported.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 368 of 1903) that the following shoal heads are reported to exist in the approach to Middle Gateway, Jidda, the positions having been ascertained by the Master of one of that company's vessels:—

(a) A shoal head, with a depth of 9 ft. over it, situated with the red beacon, Middle Gateway, bearing S. 78° E., distant 8½ cables, and Gaham white stone beacon S. 22° W.

(b) A shoal head, with a depth of 18 ft. over it, situated with the red beacon bearing N. 40° E., distant 5½ cables, and Gaham white stone beacon S. 66° W.

(c) A shoal head, with a depth of 19 ft. over it, situated with the red beacon bearing N. 41° W., distant 1½ cable, and Gaham white stone beacon S. 62° W.

Approximate position: red beacon, lat. 21° 28' N., long. 39° 9' E.

As the shoal given in the above paragraph (a) is very near the leading line formed by Jebel Saman in line with Jebel el Moya S. 68° E., that leading line has been expunged from the Charts.

Variation, 3° westerly in 1903.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart:— Jidda, No. 2,599; also, Red Sea, &c., Pilot, 1900, pages 273, 274, 272.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 186.

India, West—Malabar Coast—Port of Alleppey removed to Porcad.

The Master Attendant, Alleppey, has given notice, dated May 18, 1903, that the Port of Alleppey is closed for the monsoon and removed to Porcad, which will be the monsoon port until further notice.

Porcad is in lat. 9° 21' N. and long. 76° 22' E. longitude

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 187.

India, West—Malabar Coast—Alleppey Anchorage—Red and Black Buoys removed temporarily.

The Master Attendant, Alleppey, has given notice, dated May 18, 1903, that the red and black buoys marking the anchorage at Alleppey have been removed and will probably be replaced about September 15, 1903.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 188.

India, West—Malabar Coast—Port of Quilon—Red and Black Buoy removed temporarily.

The Master Attendant, Alleppey, has given notice, dated May 18, 1903, that the red and black buoys marking the entrance to the Port of Quilon have been removed and will not be replaced until the commencement of the next shipping season.

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

Calcutta, May 30, 1903.

BENGAL.—No. 189.

Bay of Bengal—Chittagong Coast—Karnafuli River—Depth of Water in the Channels.

The Port Officer, Chittagong, has given notice that the following depth of water was found in the river channels by soundings taken on May 29 and reduced to zero:—

	Ft.
Track No. 1.—Outer bar—	
Disc on diamond	12
Track No. 2.—Inner bar—	
Disc on diamond	11
Batten beacon on pillar on hill	12
Track No. 3.—	
Triangle on cross and ball	16
Track No. 4.—Guptakhally crossing—	
Tripod on diamond	17

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

Calcutta, June 1, 1903.

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, cwt.	Native Coffee, cwt.	Tea, lb.	(Lacca, cwt.	Trunk Cinchona, lb.	Branch Cinchona, lb.	Cinchona Chips, lb.	Cocoanuts, No.	Copperah, cwt.	Cocunut Oil, cwt.	Cocunut Pound, cwt.	Cinnamon, lb.	Cinnamon Oil, oz.	Citronella Oil, lb.	Cardamoms, lb.	Ebony, cwt.	Plumbago, cwt.	Cair Rope, cwt.	Cair Junk, cwt.	Cair Yarn, cwt.	Cair Fibre, cwt.	Sapwood, lb.	Oreochina, lb.	Handool, cwt.	Beer, cwt.	Horns, cwt.
COLOMBO.	1903.													28336*														
ss. Bayern	8-6	Bremen			13955																							
ss. Annam	8-6	China			22721																							
ss. Oceana	9-6	Australia			199631																							
ss. City of Sparta	9-6	London			209860																							
ss. Coronandel	10-6	Bombay			9154																							
ss. Malvern	10-6	Cape Ports			89941																							
ss. Prins Valdimer	11-6	Port Arthur			130912																							
ss. Socotra	11-6	London	12		486959																							
ss. Kurdistan	11-6	Australia			302178	35																						
ss. Arcadia	11-6	do.			221428																							
ss. Baron Driessen	12-6	Port Arthur			384028																							
ss. Statesman	12-6	London			612042																							
ss. Oldenburg	12-6	Bremen			5554	71																						
ss. Dumbear	12-6	Marseilles			20394																							
ss. Preussen	13-6	do.			10539																							
ss. Simia	13-6	Yokohama			61767																							
ss. City of Benaries	13-6	London			126383																							
ss. Jasan	13-6	do.			761784																							
		do.			449998																							
GALLE.																												
Nil.																												

* Chips. † And chips 35,400 lb. ‡ And chips 1,103 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO :-	TO GALLE :-
From Calcutta	Southern India
False Point	Bags
Mauslipatam	14,569
Gopalpore	4,706
Rangoon	250
Cocoonada	141
Tirumalvasal	200
Karikal	450
Cochin	6,224
Bombay	3,998
China	1
Southern India	55
	700
	7,094
Total	Bags
	88,886

K. MACLEOD,
for Principal Collector.

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, June 15, 1903.