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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

IS 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,

BENGAL.-No. 131.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Colombo, August 5, 1897.

China Sea—Gulf of Siam, Eastern Shore—Intended establishment of Lights.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 303 of 1897) that information has been received, dated May 22, 1897, that the Siamese Government propose to establish the under-mentioned lights :-

1. Bang plasoi light, fixed white of the 6th order, elevated 33 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles.

Approximate position : lat. 13° 22' N., long. 100° 58' E.

2. Pak Pasae light, on the west bank of Pa Se river, fixed white of the 6th order, elevated 24 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles.

. Approximate position : lat. 12° 41 ½' N., long. 101° 41' E. 165

3. Koh Chick light, fixed white of the 6th order, on the north-west point of the island, elevated 48 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 12 miles.

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Approximate position : lat. 12° 18' N., long. 102° 13' E. 4. Phra Chanta Nakara light fixed white of the 6th order, elevated 30 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 10 miles.

Approximate position : lat. 11° 25' N., long. 103° 0' E.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,

Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, July 9, 1897.

BENGAL.-No. 132.

China-Additional Treaty Ports.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 306 of 1897) that the under-mentioned Ports would be opened,

with freedom for navigation, in June, 1897, as follows :-

Wu chau fu ... lat. 23° 29' N., long. 111° 20' E. Samshui ... lat. 23° 9' N., long. 112° 52' E. Kongkun market, a suburb of Samshui.

Are Treaty Ports and Consular stations, with freedom for navigation between Samshui, Wu chau fu, Honkong, and Canton by a route from each of these latter places to be selected and notified in advance by the Imperial Maritime Customs.

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The following places are established as ports of call for goods and passengers :-

Kong mun Kum chuk Shao king Tak hing	 lat. 22° 31′ N., long. 113° 6′ E. lat. 22° 48½′ N., long. 113° 5′ E. lat. 23° 1′ N., long. 112° 28′ E. lat. 23° 8′ N., long. 111° 47′ E. 						
•	B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M., Port Officer of Calcutta.						

Calcutta, July 9, 1897.

BENGAL.-No. 133.

Australia, South Coast-Spencer Gulf-Port Piri-Buoy in entrance to South Channel.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 309 of 1897) that red spar buoy is moored in 3 fathoms to mark the entrance to the South channel leading to Port Pirie. From the buoy Jarrold point bears south about 83 miles, and mount Ferguson N. 81° E.

Approximate position : lat. 33° 6' 45" S., long. 137° 49' 40" E.

Variation, 5° easterly in 1897.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.,

Port Officer of Calcutta. Calcutta, July 9, 1897.

BENGAL.-No. 134.

Australia, North-east Coast-Coral Sea-Ocean Ranger Reef.

The following notice to Mariners (No. 310 of 1897)

on a dangerous reef reported by the master of the barquentine Ocean Ranger, situated in lat. 18° 44' S., long. 157° 2' E., and on which the sea was observed to break heavily.

H. M. surveying vessel Penquin searched for this supposed danger in 1894, and discovered a bank of from 800 to 1,000 fathoms in depth, situated between the parallels of 18° 48' and 19° 5' south latitude, and the meridians of 156° 40' and 157° 3' east longtitude, and with depths of from 1,500 to 1,800 fathoms around, but no shallower soundings could be obtained.

During the search, and whilst obtaining a sounding of 1,713 fathoms, a considerable tide rip was observed extending about 3 miles in a north and south direction, which might have been mistaken for breakers, and some such phenomenon probably was the origin of the report made by the master of the Ocean Ranger.

In order to further investigate the matter, some inquiries respecting the original report were addressed to the master of the Ocean Ranger through the Marine Department at Wellington, New Zealand, but a reply has been received that Mr. Goodman, the master of the vessel in 1892, has died, and that the log books cannot be found.

Viewing all the circumstances of the case, and considering that such a tide rip as seen from the Penquin may have been reported as a danger by the Ocean Ranger, and further, that no soundings were taken or other attempts made to verify the existence of this supposed danger, it is considered not to exist, and has, consequently, been expunged from the Admiralty Charts.

B. P. CREAGH, Comdr., R.I.M.

Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, July 9, 1897.

BENGAL.--No. 135.

Africa, South-east Coast-Delagoa Bay-Amended

position of Cockburn Shoal Buoy. The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 317 of 1897) that Cockburn shoal buoy now lies with cape Inyack lighthouse bearing S. 22° E., distant 7³, miles. Approximate position: lat. 25° 53' 15' S., long. 34°

83' 50" E.

CAUTION .- No reliance can be placed on the buoys at Delagoa bay.

Variation, 23° westerly in 1897.

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

Calcutta, July 9, 1897.

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TRADE MARKS NOTIFICATIONS.

N compliance with the provisions of "The Trade Marks Ordinances, 1888 and 1890," and the regulations made on L March 28, 1889, notice is hereby given that Induruwage Enis Dias, of Mount Lavinia, Whiting Manufacturer, has applied for the registration of the following Trade Mark for whiting and whitening military equipment, helmets, &c., in Class 50 in the Classification of Goods in the above-mentioned regulations :--



E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary

THE value of the \pounds sterling will till further notice be calculated in the assessment of duty at the rate of 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$. to the rupee.

Her Majesty's Customs, Colombo, July 31, 1897.

Colonial Secretary's Office

Colombo, July 16, 1897.

H. P. BAUMGARTNER, for Principal Collector.

Date of Clearing. Plantation Coffee. Truuk Cinchona. Cinchona Chips. Copperah. Cinnamon Oil. Branch Cinchona. Cocosnut Oil. Native Coffee. Coconnuts Rope. Junk. Cinnamon Coir Yarn. Coir Fibre. Cacao. Cocoanut Poonae. Citronells Oil. Plumbago For what Carda-moms. Ebony. Orchilla. Tea Kitool Fibre. Deer Horns, Sapan wood. Port. Coir Coir PART 1897. cwt. ewt cwrt. 1b. 1 b lb. ib. No. ewt. ewt. ewt. 11. 0%. cwt. | cwt. | cwt. ewt owt OZ. 1b. lewt.j c₩t. 1b. jewt. ewt. Australia ... 31 -----267432 ----..... _ -----____ ----____ ----London ____ --------------_ ---------IV. 266349 _ _ -----____ ____ 195 246 -----_ 44622---------_ _ _ ----------Amsterdam -----6 4 -31925-----2225____ 5502 -----1172 280 10000* 1135----~~~ 7200 --------317London ...(-----___ -----187 ___ ----2984160 -----• -----------------19090 ------------------------___ ---------____ ----___ Australia ____ -----169952 _ ------_ -------------------------------------London ... -------------_ -----___ ___ -----610023 ____ ----------CEYI,ON ~___ -_ ------------------------____ -••••• ----------------------_ ----Bombay -----· · · ·] -11987 ----------------------____ ___ ---------____ ___ ----3426 ___ -------------_ -----_ -----Odessa ... --------------------299 ----------------____ -----_ _ --------------------____ _ Bombay _ ____ _ 2 ... 16442____ -------------------5 -____ ----------4795 ----___ ----...... -----____ -----___ ____ China _ ••• -----___ 62927 ------____ ----_ ----------------------_ -------------------____ ____ _ _ -_ London 231633____ 436 ---------•------------104 ____ ----____ ----_ ___ ____ ----____ -----____ ----___ --------Brisbane ... ---------5225...... ----____ ____ _ --------------------------____ ----_ -~~ GOVERNMENT ____ ____ _ ____ --------London ...| 31 ----1016812 66 -----_ 401595 ----68 230 2378 -------------14237 ---------115 ___ ----____ ____ ---do.{ 115 -----958770 76----------330190 176 141 | 30/7 ____ •---• ----7000 ____ ____ 2799 ----391 ____ -----___ _ ____ 17 do. -----... 638352 ____ --------— -----••••• ---------------------**4**4 201460 ____ --------___ ----_ _ Singapore -----3 30310 ____ _ _ ~~ ---------_ ------------------____ ----...... ___ ____ _ --------_ -------Hamburg ... ----7165 -----1 80 65550 4075610 846 ----3797 4510 41600+ 7920 531960 158 3398 ----------35 ----Calcutta ... ---------___ _ ____ -----360 6437 792 103 ---------___ ____ -----60628 -----_ ___ — ----. GAZETTE -August 6, ss. Clan Graham ... 28/7 London 34331 202002938 3622 ____ ____ ----_ ____ _ 256550 ----2354 — --------------_ _ 1897 * And Chips 11,200 lb. † And Chips 252 lb. Importation of Rice from Indian and other Ports during the above Period. TO COLOMBO :--TO GALLE :--From Calcutta ... Bag : 16.938 ••• From Calcutta Pondicherry 130 ... Bags 1.204 • • • ,, Southern India Southern India 21.802 1,404 ••• ••• " •• False Point 1,930 ••• •• Total ... Bags 2,608 40,800 Total ... Bags LIONEL F. LEE. Principal Collector.

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

Customs, Colombo, August 2, 1897.

Vessels.

COLOMBO.

ss. ClanMacdonald 26/7

ssPrins van Orange 26/7

ss. Duke of Argyle 30/7

ss. Lancashire ..

ss. Shropshire ...

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ss. Valetta

ss. China

ss. Massilia

ss. Rosetta

ss. Tambor

ss. Salazie

ss. Borneo

ss. Senator

s. Bayern

ss. Polluce

ss. Wally

ss. Natal

ss. Manila

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Receipts.	Jun	Seven days ended June 30, 1895.		Seven days ended June 28, 1896.		Seven days ended June 27, 1897.		case	Decrease	
Passengers, Ordinary & Special							No.	^{Rs.} c. 2,694 19		
Coolies	. 4,249 . —	2,245 58	7,978	4,003 39	7,761	3,908 66	=		217 94 73	
Total Passengers	86,722	34,064 24	123.739	48,899 49	109.595	51,498 95		2,599 46	14,144	
Parcels	6 695	2 1,537 17	7,552	1,969 25	7,693 64	2,042 39	1 4 1 6	73 14 99 41		
Horses Carriages	. 10	108 76	10	102 6	22	296 81	12	194 75		
Bicycles, &c	15			44 9 48 0	82 92		31 15	$\begin{array}{rrrr} 21 & 17 \\ 31 & 63 \end{array}$		
Other small Animals	10	8 47	8	5 34	10	10 15	2	· 4 81		
Mails MiscellaneousCoaching & Good	-	931 63		1,004 44 50 94		994 14				
Goods (Tons)	7,734		8,735	84,715 76	7,919	47 98 71,704 34			816 13011 42	
Miscellaneous Goods Live Stock	690	120 78 267 25	367	$\begin{array}{ccc} 72 & 18 \\ 228 & 50 \end{array}$	239	$ 142 9 \\ 153 75 $	_	69 91 	128 74 75	
General Miscellaneous		1,706 24		1,527 62		645 63			881 99	
Total for the Week		117,550 41		139,069 37		128,182 23			- 10887 14	
Brought forward from previous Return	·	_	_				-			
Total from January 1, to May 31	·	```````			****					
Total corresponding period of previous Year	_	_	_	_ (_	_		
Increase compared with pre-										
vious Year										
Traffic Train Mileage this Week Forward from last Return	21,837	=	22,050 —	_	23,085	-	1,035	=	= =	
Total from January 1, to May 31			-		`					
Corresponding period of pre- vious Year	-	-	_		_		_	_		
Increase compared with pre- vious Year										
Particulars of Goods Conveyed.		days ended 27, 1897.		days ended 28, 1896.		·····		ncrease n 1897.	Decrease in 1897.	
First class Goods	Tons					cwi. qr. 1k	. Tons	cwt, qr. lb.	Tons ewt. qr. ib.	
Kerosine Oil	4 16	$\begin{array}{cccc} 4 & 3 & 23 \\ 9 & 3 & 9 \end{array}$		11 2 1	L I	_	7	18 1 8		
Other 2nd class Goods Rice	95 1,578	$\begin{array}{rrrrr} 4 & 0 & 15 \\ 17 & 0 & 19 \end{array}$						_	40 4 0 11 186 9 2 23	
Arrack Fea leaf	50 19	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	87	11 1 27	7			_	37 7 3 27 4 2 0 18	
Cinnamon	2	027	2	13 0 1				_	0 12 1 22	
Jacao Dardamoms	· 3 2	9 3 1 11 1 19				_	1	17 1 27	36 8 3 2 0	
Salt Cobacco	56 32	6 0 3 19 0 24		1 0 25			1 10	- 8 2 20	35 15 0 22	
Beer, 3rd class	0	19 2 14	2	10 0 C		_		-	1 10 1 14	
Manure, 3rd class	12	10 3 16	7	10 2 2 			Þ	0 1 14	_	
Plumbago, 3rd class Other 3rd class Goods	568	10 0 24	990			_		=	421 9 3 19	
Jinchona Joffee	27		1	8 2 10				-	1 8 2 10 23 16 0 20	
Cocoanuts	· 101	11 0 7	51 185	2 2 0				-	83 11 1 21	
Cocoanut Oil Copperah	29 84	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				_	26	11 2 17	9 6 2 11	
Cotton Poonac	0 93		15	13 0 17				_	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Staves Tea			6	16 2 21	· ·					
l'imber, wrought	$1,151 \\ 13$	8 2 10 7 0 0	12	19 3 22			9 6 0	$\begin{array}{ccc} 7 & 2 & 17 \\ 7 & 0 & 6 \end{array}$		
Other 4th class Goods Fimber at 5th class rate	225	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$						_	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Other 5th class Goods l'imber at 6th class rate	189	17 1 9					10	1 2 19	· •	
rea Packing, 6th class	173	7 1 15						=	49 8 1 2	
Manure, 6th class Plumbago, 6th class	84 131	$\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 2 & 18 \\ 15 & 0 & 2 \end{array}$				_		_	22 10 0 0 194 7 1 26	
Beer, 6th class Staves, 6th class								_		
Other 6th class Goods Bulky Articles and Road Metal	144	12 3 6	218	16 1 20				_	74 3 2 14	
Railway Material	1,766	19 3 7	574	17 2 6			1,192	2 1 1	_	
Prison Department Material		_	l	_		_		_		
Breakwater Material Petroleum	1,208 30	15 0 0 17 0 0						_	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Free Goods										

Ceylon Government Railways .-- Comparative Statement of Traffic for the Week ended June 27, 1897.

Colombo, July 19, 1897.

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W. CANTRELL, Acting General Manager.