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## NOTICES TO MARINERS.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct the following Notices to Mariners be published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,  
E. NOEL WALKER,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Colombo, October 13, 1897.

BENGAL.—No. 172.

*Bay of Bengal—Orissa Coast—New Elfin Channel.*

The Port Officer, Chandbally, reports that leading marks for this channel have now been erected on the left bank of the entrance of the Burrabulong river, and vessels using the new Elfin channel should come in on a course of N. 48° W. magnetic. Transit marks on. The centre Elfin black buoy has been shifted 40 ft. east of its former position in 6 ft. reduced.

There is now 2 ft. reduced on the bar.

*Old Channel.*

There is one foot reduced on the outer and inner bars.

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

Calcutta, September 4, 1897.

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BENGAL.—No. 173.

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

The Port Officer, Chittagong, reports that the following depth of water was found in the river channels by soundings taken on the 2nd instant and reduced to zero :—

	Ft.	in.
<i>Track No. I.—Outer Bar :—</i> Not sounded on account of heavy sea.		
<i>Track No. II.—Inner Bar :—</i> Disc on diamond	11	3
Disc on tripod, cask, and ball...	9	3
<i>Track No. III. :—</i> Tripod on cross and ball...	20	0
<i>Track No. IV. :—</i> Triangle on tripod, cask, and ball	22	0
<i>Track No. V. :—Guptakhally Crossing. —</i> Old marks	15	0
Centre ... ..	16	0
Trip on diamond ... ..	14	0

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

Calcutta, September 6, 1897.

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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.	Cocac.	Trunk Cinchona.	Branch Cinchona.	Cinchona Chips.	Cocoanuts.	Copperah.	Cocoanut Oil.	Cocoanut Poonae.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Plumbago.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Ochilla.	Kitool Fibre.	Deer Horns.
	1897.		ewt.	ewt.	lb.	ewt.	lb.	lb.	lb.	No.	ewt.	ewt.	ewt.	lb.	oz.	oz.	lb.	ewt.	ewt.	ewt.	ewt.	ewt.	ewt.	lb.	ewt.	ewt.	
<b>COLOMBO.</b>																											
ss. Nairung ...	4/10	Bombay ...	—	—	5977	—	—	—	—	—	112	1292	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Ernest Simons	4/10	do. ...	—	—	15071	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
bq. Prospero Padre	6/10	New York...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2008	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Yaroslav ...	7/10	Singapore...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6703	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Umlazi ...	7/10	Cape Town	—	—	12150	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	77	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Nevasa ...	7/10	Bombay ...	—	—	300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Rosetta ...	8/10	do. ...	—	—	17785	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Cuzco ...	8/10	Australia ...	62	—	194348	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	784	—	—	1666	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Vasna ...	8/10	Paumben,&c.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Lusitania ...	9/10	London ...	—	—	349298	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Borneo ...	9/10	Calcutta ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Amra ...	9/10	Negapatam	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Sunda ...	9/10	China ...	—	—	10200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>GALLE.</b>																											
ss. Nawab ...	6/10	Calcutta ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	209	96	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Coconada ...	9/10	Bombay ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	215	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Clan Buchanan	9/10	London ...	—	—	15895	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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

TO COLOMBO :—

From Calcutta ...	...	Bags	19,157
Rangoon ...	...	"	12,103
Bombay ...	...	"	125
Southern India	...	"	21,276

Total ... Bags 52,661

TO GALLE :—

From Southern India ... Bags 16,117.

Customs, Colombo, October 11, 1897.

LIONEL F. LEE,  
Principal Collector.

## Ceylon Government Railways.—Comparative Statement of Traffic for the Week ended September 19, 1897

Earnings from	Seven days ended September 22, 1895			Seven days ended September 20, 1896			Seven days ended September 19, 1897.			Increase— 1897 over 1896.		Decrease— 1897 below 1896.			
	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.
Passengers, Ordinary and Specials ...	85,374	34,324	4	105,912	42,523	45	84,835	42,688	1	—	164	56	21,077	—	—
Coolies ...	2,153	1,260	1	3,077	1,755	35	4,857	2,427	32	1,780	671	97	—	—	—
Season Tickets ...	4	7	95	3	7	60	6	14	10	3	6	50	—	—	—
<b>Total Passengers ...</b>	<b>87,531</b>	<b>35,592</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>108,992</b>	<b>44,286</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>89,698</b>	<b>45,129</b>	<b>45</b>	—	843	3	19,294	—	—
Parcels ...	7,328	1,843	78	8,056	2,045	51	8,470	2,562	12	814	516	61	—	—	—
Horses... ..	53	240	89	51	299	84	72	489	22	21	189	38	—	—	—
Carriages ...	13	100	21	23	140	61	14	163	35	—	22	74	9	—	—
Bicycles, &c. ...	13	14	33	49	53	73	104	69	62	55	15	89	—	—	—
Dogs ...	102	64	0	103	89	0	96	77	78	—	—	—	7	11	22
Other small Animals	6	9	12	11	7	45	7	7	80	—	0	35	4	—	—
Neat Cattle ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	12	67	1	12	67	—	—	—
Mails ...	—	931	63	—	1,004	45	—	994	14	—	—	—	—	10	31
Miscellaneous Coach- ing ...	—	39	46	—	43	65	—	42	13	—	—	—	—	1	52
Goods (Tons) ...	7,763	66,376	58	7,959	75,730	35	9,979	93,174	82	2,020	17,444	47	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Goods	—	163	80	—	96	56	—	109	42	—	12	86	—	—	—
Live Stock ...	543	209	0	344	220	0	332	145	0	—	—	—	12	75	0
General Miscellaneous	—	338	46	—	287	42	—	3,976	42	—	3,689	0	—	—	—
<b>Total for the Week ...</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>105,923</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>124,304</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>146,953</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>22,648</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Traffic Train Mileage	21,746	—	—	22,375	—	—	23,023	—	—	648	—	—	—	—	—

Particulars of Goods Conveyed.	Seven days ended September 19, 1897.			Seven days ended September 20, 1896.			Increase in 1897.			Decrease in 1897.		
	Tons	cwt.	qr. lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr. lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr. lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr. lb.
First class Goods ...	7	11	2 15	10	8	0 12	—	—	—	2	16	1 25
Kerosine Oil ...	22	10	0 16	19	5	1 9	3	4	3 7	—	—	—
Other 2nd class Goods ...	221	18	2 19	178	1	2 24	43	16	3 23	—	—	—
Rice ...	2,453	15	3 8	1,556	19	0 10	896	16	2 26	—	—	—
Arrack ...	72	18	1 0	81	17	2 0	—	—	—	8	19	1 0
Tea Leaf ...	23	11	3 17	22	7	2 11	1	4	1 6	—	—	—
Cinnamon ...	4	13	0 10	9	19	3 27	—	—	—	5	6	3 17
Cacao ...	2	17	1 17	1	19	2 6	0	17	3 11	—	—	—
Cardamoms ...	12	11	2 5	12	6	2 17	0	4	3 16	—	—	—
Salt ...	94	5	0 19	95	1	1 18	—	—	—	0	16	0 27
Tobacco ...	24	10	2 21	26	8	2 8	—	—	—	1	17	3 15
Beer, 3rd class ...	—	—	—	1	18	1 25	—	—	—	1	18	1 25
Tea Packing, 3rd class ...	3	18	0 11	6	19	1 20	—	—	—	3	1	1 9
Manure, 3rd class ...	0	2	2 25	—	—	—	0	2	2 25	—	—	—
Plumbago, 3rd class ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other 3rd class Goods ...	791	2	0 11	740	19	0 4	50	3	0 7	—	—	—
Cinchona ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coffee ...	6	4	0 17	11	14	1 18	—	—	—	5	10	1 1
Cocoanuts ...	121	9	2 4	103	10	1 26	17	19	0 6	—	—	—
Cocoanut Oil ...	43	1	2 6	53	12	1 25	—	—	—	10	10	3 19
Copperah ...	224	10	0 6	91	7	2 23	133	2	1 11	—	—	—
Cotton ...	3	0	1 22	4	4	1 12	—	—	—	1	3	3 18
Poonac ...	134	3	0 7	125	12	1 23	8	10	2 12	—	—	—
Staves ...	9	6	3 7	3	11	0 13	5	15	2 22	—	—	—
Tea ...	983	17	3 23	630	13	0 26	353	4	2 25	—	—	—
Timber, wrought ...	12	3	3 9	19	0	0 8	—	—	—	6	16	0 27
Other 4th class Goods ...	386	14	2 12	379	0	3 12	7	13	3 0	—	—	—
Timber at 5th class rate	52	6	1 0	56	1	1 18	—	—	—	3	15	0 18
Other 5th class Goods ...	242	6	1 26	223	11	3 5	18	14	2 21	—	—	—
Timber at 6th class rate	—	—	—	7	13	0 0	—	—	—	7	13	0 0
Tea Packing, 6th class ...	183	12	0 20	287	1	1 23	—	—	—	103	9	1 3
Manure, 6th class ...	323	17	2 6	310	17	0 8	13	0	1 26	—	—	—
Plumbago, 6th class ...	131	6	3 12	262	18	1 5	—	—	—	131	11	1 21
Beer, 6th class ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Staves, 6th class ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other 6th class Goods ...	187	5	1 13	183	0	1 0	4	5	0 13	—	—	—
Bulky Articles & Road Metal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Railway Material ...	619	12	2 24	546	19	1 9	72	13	1 15	—	—	—
Public Works Material ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prison Dept. Material ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Breakwater Material ...	2,546	18	0 0	1,854	5	0 0	692	13	0 0	—	—	—
Petroleum ...	30	15	2 0	39	15	0 0	—	—	—	8	19	2 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,979</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 16</b>	<b>7,959</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0 25</b>	<b>2,324</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0 20</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1 1</b>

Ceylon Government Railways.—Comparative Statement of Traffic for the Month ended August 31, 1897.

Earnings from	Month ended August 31, 1895.			Month ended August 31, 1896.			Month ended August 31, 1897.			Increase—1897 over 1896.			Decrease—1897 below 1896.		
	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.
Passengers, Ordinary & Specials	417,401	169,491	49	499,309	206,268	79	408,399	205,940	64	—	—	—	90,910	328	15
Coolies	13,350	8,334	13	13,187	9,017	42	19,762	11,932	25	6,575	2,914	83	—	—	—
Season Tickets	375	1,228	65	394	1,628	46	385	1,749	35	—	120	89	9	—	—
<b>Total Passengers</b>	<b>431,126</b>	<b>179,054</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>512,890</b>	<b>216,914</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>428,546</b>	<b>219,622</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>84,344</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Parcels	29,666	7,157	48	32,895	8,301	71	33,352	9,313	98	457	1,012	27	—	—	—
Horses	332	2,499	38	303	2,344	10	293	2,110	16	—	—	—	10	233	94
Carriages	89	1,039	52	88	1,254	45	72	1,107	39	—	—	—	16	147	6
Bicycles, &c.	82	60	32	323	222	1	549	362	7	226	141	6	—	—	—
Dogs	422	280	0	446	318	0	427	321	25	—	—	3	25	19	—
Other small Animals	72	62	21	71	94	18	41	63	27	—	—	—	30	30	91
Neat Cattle	6	39	54	4	69	56	6	42	51	2	—	—	—	—	27
Mails	—	4,169	26	—	4,418	69	—	4,375	1	—	—	—	—	—	43
Miscellaneous Coaching & Goods	—	826	28	—	855	15	—	1,366	46	—	511	31	—	—	—
Goods (Tons)	35,122	308,996	65	37,514	329,511	49	39,727	351,845	81	2,213	22,334	32	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Goods	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Live Stock	2,600	1,104	0	2,642	1,081	75	1,789	1,009	25	—	—	—	853	72	50
General Miscellaneous	—	3,730	35	—	2,193	53	—	3,722	40	—	1,528	87	—	—	—
<b>Total for the Month</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>509,019</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>567,578</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>595,261</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>27,683</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Brought forward from previous Return	—	3644973	43	—	3948940	66	—	4277650	11	—	328,709	45	—	—	—
Total from Jan. 1 to Aug. 31	—	4153992	69	—	4516518	95	—	4872911	91	—	356,392	96	—	—	—
Total corresponding period of previous Year	—	3639427	6	—	4153992	69	—	4516518	95	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase compared with previous Year	—	514,565	63	—	362,526	26	—	356,392	96	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic/Train Mileage the Month	99,961	—	—	97,512	—	—	101,653	—	—	4,141	—	—	—	—	—
Forward from last Return	658,377	—	—	667,964	—	—	699,577	—	—	31,613	—	—	—	—	—
Total from Jan. 1 to Aug. 31	758,338	—	—	765,476	—	—	801,230	—	—	35,754	—	—	—	—	—
Corresponding period of previous Year	671,951	—	—	758,338	—	—	765,476	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase compared with previous Year	86,387	—	—	7,138	—	—	35,754	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Particulars of Goods Conveyed.	Month ended August 31, 1897.				January 1 to August 31, 1897.				January 1 to August 31, 1896.				Increase in 1897.				Decrease in 1897.			
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.
First class Goods	24	17	0	24	213	18	3	12	230	12	3	25	—	—	—	—	16	14	0	13
Kerosine Oil	110	7	3	26	824	15	1	18	844	10	3	23	—	—	—	—	19	15	2	5
Other 2nd class Goods	689	6	3	20	5,453	7	1	13	5,838	1	0	15	—	—	—	—	384	13	3	2
Rice	7,670	4	1	10	61,183	4	1	1	58,655	10	2	1	2,527	13	3	0	—	—	—	—
Arrack	327	0	1	24	2,012	17	3	22	1,894	17	3	27	117	19	3	23	—	—	—	—
Tea leaf	74	6	3	3	680	0	1	2	841	5	3	10	—	—	—	—	161	5	2	8
Cinnamon	41	6	0	11	139	7	2	23	79	6	3	27	60	0	2	24	—	—	—	—
Cacao	13	9	0	10	1,069	14	3	10	1,143	7	1	27	—	—	—	—	73	12	2	17
Cardamoms	26	17	3	27	200	19	2	27	123	10	2	4	77	9	0	23	—	—	—	—
Salt	378	11	1	14	2,878	0	3	24	2,130	19	1	26	747	1	1	26	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	116	19	1	11	668	7	0	3	640	13	3	13	27	13	0	18	—	—	—	—
Beer, 3rd class	9	4	0	21	121	18	1	18	77	10	2	16	44	7	3	2	—	—	—	—
Tea Packing, 3rd class	16	13	2	22	183	2	1	9	168	7	2	11	14	14	2	26	—	—	—	—
Manure, 3rd class	—	—	—	—	25	3	1	7	11	12	1	17	13	10	3	18	—	—	—	—
Plumbago, 3rd class	1	6	2	0	41	12	1	1	85	5	1	17	—	—	—	—	43	13	0	6
Other 3rd class Goods	3,771	12	0	4	29,293	4	3	4	27,796	6	2	6	1,496	18	0	26	—	—	—	—
Cinchona	6	16	2	26	74	13	2	2	189	6	2	21	—	—	—	—	114	13	0	19
Coffee	38	19	0	22	1,073	9	3	8	1,052	2	1	17	21	7	1	19	—	—	—	—
Cocoanuts	563	5	0	3	4,152	9	3	6	3,642	2	3	13	510	6	3	21	—	—	—	—
Cocoonut Oil	189	11	1	15	1,592	18	2	1	1,297	2	3	24	295	15	2	5	—	—	—	—
Copperah	814	4	2	14	3,204	15	3	18	1,857	19	1	10	1,346	16	2	8	—	—	—	—
Cotton	8	14	1	4	110	15	3	6	171	5	0	12	—	—	—	—	60	9	1	6
Poonac	528	11	0	8	4,034	10	2	13	3,532	12	2	23	451	17	3	18	—	—	—	—
Staves	10	19	2	11	156	7	1	6	139	1	0	21	17	6	0	13	—	—	—	—
Tea	3,668	17	3	14	40,054	1	0	6	36,072	2	1	7	3,981	18	2	27	—	—	—	—
Timber, wrought	50	14	0	3	737	9	3	15	495	19	3	6	241	10	0	9	—	—	—	—
Other 4th class Goods	1,462	5	3	11	10,551	12	2	25	10,666	0	0	27	—	—	—	—	114	7	2	2
Timber at 5th class rate	238	10	0	24	1,322	12	2	2	1,479	12	2	21	—	—	—	—	157	0	0	19
Other 5th class Goods	1,048	2	2	0	7,379	5	1	19	6,114	3	2	0	1,265	1	3	19	—	—	—	—
Timber at 6th class rate	0	4	0	24	89	16	0	14	72	14	0	5	17	2	0	9	—	—	—	—
Tea Packing, 6th class	752	18	2	3	7,998	12	3	10	7,427	2	3	12	571	9	3	26	—	—	—	—
Manure, 6th class	1,196	12	1	26	5,548	2	3	27	5,296	10	2	5	251	12	1	22	—	—	—	—
Plumbago, 6th class	679	16	2	4	6,623	19	1	4	8,202	6	2	23	—	—	—	—	1,578	7	1	19
Beer, 6th class	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Staves, 6th class	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	4	2	7	—	—	—	—	7	4	2	7
Other 6th class Goods	785	2	2	5	6,231	8	3	3	5,032	7	3	9	1,199	0	3	22	—	—	—	—
Bulky Articles and Road Metal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	15	0	12	—	—	—	—	0	15	0	12
Railway Material	3,115	8	0	8	18,229	9	3	27	17,259	11	1	4	969	18	2	23	—	—	—	—
Public Works Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prison Department Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Breakwater Material	11,130	11	0	0	77,837	19	0	0	69,913	4	0	0	7,894	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Petroleum	135	7	2	0	998	1	0	0	691	12	3	5	306	8	0	23	—	—	—	—
Free Goods	29	5	2	24	240	13	2	14	169	7	0	11	71	6	2	3	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>39,727</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>303,233</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>281,424</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,541</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2,732</b>	<b>12</b>		