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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 the Lieut.-Governor's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 29, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 39.

Australia, East Coast—Claremont Isles—Shoals in Inner Route.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 37 of 1899) of the existence of the following shoals recently discovered in the vicinity of the track recommended through the Claremont isles, Great Barrier reef:—

1. A coral patch with a depth of $3\frac{3}{4}$ fathoms on it and 10 fathoms mud around it lies with north point of Hannah island bearing S. 32° E., distant $3\frac{3}{8}$ miles, and north-west point (sand) of south part of Emma reef N. 86° .

Approximate position: lat. $13^{\circ} 47' 50''$ S., long. $143^{\circ} 40' 35''$ E.

The soundings about this patch are irregular.

2. A coral patch of 4 fathoms of small extent with 9 fathoms mud around it lies with north point of Hannah island bearing N. 51° W., distant $1\frac{1}{8}$ mile, and north-west point (sand) of Emma reef N. 20° E.

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Approximate position: lat. $13^{\circ} 52' 20''$ S., long. $143^{\circ} 43' 30''$ E.

3. A narrow sand spit with depths of 5 to 6 fathoms on it, terminating with a shoal sandhead of $4\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms, was found to extend north-westward from Emma reef. From this head the north point of Wilkie island bears N. 80° W., distant $5\frac{7}{10}$ miles, and End reef centre, N. 14° E.

Approximate position: lat. $13^{\circ} 47' 25''$ S., long. $143^{\circ} 43' 25''$ E.

Variation, 5° easterly in 1899.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 40.

New Zealand, South Island—Otago Harbour—Proposed Leading Lights.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 40 of 1899) that it is proposed to establish shortly two triangular-shaped beacons, 20 ft. high, to indicate the entrance of the main channel into Otago harbour.

The front beacon will be erected on Harrington point, about 18 ft. above high water.

The back beacon will be placed eastward of Maori Kaik jetty, at a distance of 2,200 yards S. by E. $\frac{1}{4}$ E. from the front beacon, and elevated about 34 ft. above high water.

The front beacon will exhibit a white fixed light elevated 24 ft. above high water, and the back beacon a similar light elevated 40 ft. above high water.

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Approximate position, Harrington point: lat. $45^{\circ} 47\frac{1}{2}'$ S., long. $170^{\circ} 44\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

Variation, 16° easterly in 1899.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 41.

Japan, North-west Coast—Kyo Ga Misaki—A Group Flashing White Light exhibited.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 41 of 1899) that on December 25, 1898, a group flashing white light of the first order was exhibited from a lighthouse recently constructed on Kyo ga misaki, Wakasa Bay.

Kyo ga misaki light shows groups of three flashes in quick succession every twenty seconds, elevated 473 ft. above high water, and visible in clear weather from a distance of 29 miles between the bearings of $N. 80^{\circ} E.$ through east and south, and $N. 42^{\circ} W.$ It is shown from a stone cylindrical tower 29 ft. high, painted white.

Approximate position: lat. $35^{\circ} 46' 45'' N.$, long. $135^{\circ} 13' 5'' E.$

Variation, 4° westerly in 1899.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 42.

New Zealand—Kaipara Harbour Entrance—Tory Shoal extending South-westward.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 43 of 1899) that the Tory shoal, Galatea channel, Kaipara, is extending, seaward of the outer buoy, in a W.S.W direction. A note to this effect has been placed on the Charts.

Approximate position: lat. $36^{\circ} 25\frac{1}{2}' S.$, long. $174^{\circ} 4' E.$

Caution.—Mariners are advised, when entering the harbour and within half a mile of the outer buoy, not to open the black beacon on north head to the eastward of the white beacon. To navigate these waters in safety it is necessary to keep the lead constantly going.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 43.

Eastern Archipelago—Celebes—Shoals discovered.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 44 of 1899) of the existence of the following shoals recently reported on the east coast of Celebes:—

1. A shoal on which a vessel is reported to have grounded lies about 17 miles eastward of Cape Jeneh, Gulf of Boni, in approximately lat. $3^{\circ} 20' S.$, long. $120^{\circ} 47' E.$ This shoal has been marked P. D. on the Charts.

2. Discoloured water is reported in the southern approach to Matarapi Bay, with North Tiga island, bearing $N. 74^{\circ} E.$, distant about 5 miles, and the east extreme of Labengki $S. 5^{\circ} E.$

Approximate position: lat. $3^{\circ} 24' S.$, long. $122^{\circ} 27' 30'' E.$

3. A reef with but little water on it is reported to exist in the south fairway near Salabangka islands, with South Sinoa island, bearing $N. 85^{\circ} E.$, about 6 miles, and Cape Tapoa Uluna $S. 26^{\circ} W.$

Approximate position: lat. $3^{\circ} 9' S.$, long. $122^{\circ} 29' E.$

The above shoals have been placed on the Charts in the above positions as rocks with less than 6 ft. on them.

Variation, 2° easterly in 1899.

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Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 44.

China, East Coast—Sam Sa Bay—Rock discovered.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 45 of 1899) of the existence of a rock having a depth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ fathom over it at low water in Sam Sa Bay. It has been placed on the Chart with summit (1,240 ft.) of Crag island, bearing $S. 85^{\circ} E.$, distance $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and the east point of San tu N. $23^{\circ} E.$

Approximate position on Chart 1,988: lat. $26^{\circ} 37' 30'' N.$, long. $119^{\circ} 45' 20'' E.$

There is a depth of $5\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms at a distance of 20 yards around the rock.

Variation, nil in 1899.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 45.

China—Yang Tse Kiang—Kiutoan Flats—Alteration in Depths and Position.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 46 of 1899) that information having been received from the Coast Inspector, Shanghai, that great changes in the formation of the banks in the vicinity of Kiutoan lightvessel have taken place, Admiralty Chart No. 1,602 has received a large correction.

Approximate position: lat. $31^{\circ} 18' N.$, long. $121^{\circ} 48' E.$

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Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 46.

Eastern Archipelago—Borneo—Bruni Bay, West Entrance—Rock reported.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 47 of 1899) that information has been received from the Master of the ss. Abana, that his vessel, on December 8, 1898, struck on a reef, stated to be not marked on the Chart, between Pelong rocks and Kuraman island, western entrance to Bruni Bay.

The bearings forwarded for fixing the reef do not enable the position to be indicated more closely than that it is situated with Pelong rocks bearing $S. 35^{\circ} W.$

Approximate position, Pelong rocks: lat. $5^{\circ} 5' N.$, long. $115^{\circ} 3\frac{1}{2}' E.$

Variation, $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ easterly in 1899.

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

Calcutta, February 28, 1899.

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

Vessels.	Date of Clearing.	For what Port.	Plantation Coffee.	Native Coffee.	Tea.	Cacao.	Trunk Cinchona.	Branch Cinchona.	Cinchona Chips.	Cocoanuts.	Copperah.	Cocoanut Oil.	Cocoanut Poona.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Plumbago.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Orchilla.	Kittool Fibre.	Deer Horns.
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ss. Okhla	20/3	Calcutta	—	—	2100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Conch	20/3	Marseilles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1353	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ss. Austral	20/3	Australia	51	1	184532	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Massilia	20/3	Calcutta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Soneberg	24/3	Hamburg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Karlsruhe	24/3	Australia	—	—	41119	—	—	—	—	20065	1391	—	—	10000*	—	—	740	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Britannia	24/3	London	—	—	403651	—	—	—	—	—	—	63	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Sparta	24/3	London	176	—	570332	401	—	—	—	—	—	—	500	14200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
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ss. Clan MacLeod	21/3	London	60	—	60	—	—	—	—	18250	—	2783	—	—	—	1013380	—	—	996	—	—	5017	—	820	—	—	—

* And Chips 11,200 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO:—

From Calcutta	...	Bags	3,420
Bombay	...	"	100
Japan	...	"	700
Golpore	...	"	6,118
Coconada	...	"	1,324
Madras	...	"	1,489
Southern India	...	"	15,691

Total ... Bags 28,842

TO GALLE:—

From Calcutta	...	Bags	10,478
Southern India	...	"	2,183
Total	...	Bags	12,661

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, March 28, 1899.

H. L. MOYSEY,
Principal Collector.