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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct that the following Notice to Mariners be published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,
W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, July 12, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 123.

*China Sea—Formosa—Non-existence of Boudrouet
Rocks.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 271 of 1899) that the Master of the ss. Tsukishima Maru reports having passed close to the assigned position of Boudrouet rocks, off the east coast of Formosa, without seeing any indication of their existence, though a careful look-out at the masthead was kept for them.

These rocks were originally reported in December, 1864, by M. Boudrouet, of the French ship Robur, who described them as a group of rocks about 20 metres high,

perpendicular on all sides, and distant about 4 or 5 miles; they do not appear to have been seen since.

In 1898 the Captain of H. I. M. Austrian ship Frundsberg reported that his vessel (approaching from the south-westward) passed at about 5 miles from the reputed position of these rocks without seeing them, but at the same time he saw, dipping on the horizon, Kurmi island, which appeared like a scattered group of small rocks. It is probable that M. Boudrouet saw Kurmi island a long way off appearing like rocks, that a rain squall hid it for a time whilst he was sailing towards it, and that when he next saw Kurmi island he recognized it.

The above reports are considered sufficient to justify the belief that Boudrouet rocks do not exist; they have therefore been erased from the Charts.

Approximate position: lat. 24° 9½' N., long. 122° 34' E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—China Sea, No. 1,263; Hongkong to Liantung Gulf, No. 1,262; Amoy to Nagasaki, No. 2,412; Formosa Island and Strait, No. 1,968; also China Sea Directory, vol. IV., 1894, page 212.

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

Calcutta, June 13, 1899.

Total Quantities of the following Articles Exported from the Ports of Colombo and Galle 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.	Cocanut Oil.	Cocanut Poonac.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Plumbago.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Orcella.	Kitcool Fibre.	Peer Horns.	
			cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.	No.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	oz.	oz.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	...	cwt.	
ss. Yarra	1899. 10-7	China	—	—	10103	—	—	—	—	—	998	1004	1	10000	—	—	1000	—	—	—	—	—	5	240	—	—	—	
ss. Vindobona	10-7	Trieste	—	—	7356	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Laos	10-7	China	—	—	342554	363	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Umballa	10-7	London	—	—	38241	—	—	—	—	333175	—	—	—	—	—	—	4766	—	—	—	—	—	195	—	—	—	—	
ss. Inaba Maru	10-7	Yokohama	—	—	364140	181	3500	—	—	91650	323	2053	1418	7808	—	—	—	—	375	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Kawachi Maru	10-7	London	95	—	4250	—	—	—	—	16000	—	—	2128	761*	—	—	971	—	2933	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Sommerfeld	11-7	Hamburg	—	—	776500	1011	11611	—	—	346085	440	—	—	29956†	—	—	3594	—	5320	—	—	131	208	—	—	—	—	
ss. Bingo Maru	11-7	London	373	—	3720	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Umkuz	11-7	Cape ports...	—	—	178775	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Oroya	11-7	London	—	—	393454	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	43456	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. India	12-7	Australia	2	—	2251	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Secundra	12-7	Bombay	—	—	157631	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	98	335	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Ogilvy	13-7	London	—	—	11200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Wardha	13-7	Mauritius	—	—	255697	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	260	59	—	—	—	—	
ss. Austral	13-7	Australia	82	—	8911	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Miike Maru	13-7	Bombay	—	—	400	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Chindwara	13-7	Bombay	—	—	675347	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3769‡	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Forbes	14-7	London	255	—	398865	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Dalmatia	14-7	London	—	—	212394	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Sutherland	14-7	London	—	—	17000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Umzinto	15-7	Cape Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Oceanien	15-7	China	—	—	352778	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Golconda	15-7	London	—	—	17751	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Pongola	15-7	Cape ports...	—	—	237384	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Himalaya	15-7	London	—	—	1429818	51	—	—	—	125115	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Shropshire	15-7	London	6	—	7708	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Shannon	15-7	Bombay	—	—	85876	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	896	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Darmstadt	15-7	Australia	—	—	20605	—	—	—	—	74800	1704	202	6210	68200§	—	17280	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Bielefeld	15-7	Hamburg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2783	—	—	—	19008	2660	—	6482	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Duplex	15-7	Calcutta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	476	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
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ss. Lalpoora	12-7	Bombay	—	—	47536	—	—	—	—	15300	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Fraser	13-7	London	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	108	—	—	—	—	—	—	4294	—	—	1348	—	—	—	—	—	

* Chips. † And Chips 22,400 lb. ‡ Chips. § And Chips 19,600 lb.

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

TO COLOMBO:—				TO GALLE:—			
From Calcutta	...	Bags	63,171	From Calcutta	...	Bags	1,560
Southern India	...	"	14,959	Southern India	...	"	3,388
Total	...	Bags	78,130	Total	...	Bags	4,948

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, July 17, 1899.

H. L. MOYSEY,
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