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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

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

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, November 23, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 205.

Japan—Yezo Island—Oterranai Anchorage—Pier constructing marked by a Buoy.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 574 of 1899) that a new pier is in course of construction, extending in a S. S. E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. direction from Pondomari point, Oterranai anchorage.

A red buoy with cage is moored in 6 fathoms to mark the extreme of the works in progress, with Pondomari point bearing N. N. W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W., distant $4\frac{2}{3}$ cables.

Between the buoy and the shore there are numerous stakes marking the works.

Approximate position of the buoy: lat. $43^{\circ} 12' 40''$ N., long. $141^{\circ} 0' 55''$ E.

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This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts: Furubira Wan to Ishikari Gawa, No. 2,981; Anchorages in Yezo Island, No. 993; also China Sea Directory, vol. IV., 1894, page 580.

P. J. FALLE, Comdr., R.I.M.,
Port Officer of Calcutta.
Calcutta, October 23, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 206.

Pacific Ocean—Havana—Puerto Rico—Philippine Islands.

(1) *Standard Time Signal at Havana.*

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 590 of 1899) that the standard time of the 75th meridian, West of Greenwich, or 5 hours 0 minutes 0 seconds slow of Greenwich mean time, has now been adopted for Cuba.

Consequent on this, at Havana the time ball is now dropped at 5 hours 0 minutes 0 seconds G. M. T., or noon standard time, which is equal to 11 hours 30 minutes 36.40 seconds local mean time.

Approximate position of time signal: lat. $23^{\circ} 8' 30''$ N., long. $82^{\circ} 20' 50''$ W.

(2) *San Juan, Puerto Rico.*

The standard time adopted for Puerto Rico is that of the 60th meridian, West of Greenwich, or 4 hours 0 minutes 0 seconds G. M. T.

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(3) *Philippine Islands.*

The standard time adopted for the Philippine Islands is that of the 120th meridian, East of Greenwich, or 16 hours 0 minutes 0 seconds G. M. T.

Consequent on this alteration the time ball at Manila is now dropped at noon standard mean time, which is equal to 16 hours 0 minutes 0 seconds G. M. T., or 0 hours 3 minutes 52 seconds local mean time.

Approximate position of time signal : lat. $14^{\circ} 36' 0''$ N., long. $120^{\circ} 58' 0''$ E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts : Havana Harbour, No. 414 ; Manila Bay, No. 976 ; also List of Time Signals, 1898, page 54 ; West India Pilot, vol. II., 1887, page 201 ; China Sea Directory, vol. II., 1899, page 313 ; Eastern Archipelago, vol. I., 1890, page 59.

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Calcutta, October 23, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 207.

Australia, South—Tasmania—Macquarie Harbour entrance—Intended Light on Cape Sorell.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 108, dated May 22, 1899, issued by this office, the British Admiralty has given further notice (No. 591 of 1899) that on and after October 2, 1899, a light will be exhibited from a lighthouse on Cape Sorell, at the entrance to Macquarie Harbour.

Cape Sorell light is a group flashing white and red dioptric light of the second order, with a period of forty-five seconds, thus : white flash of three seconds' duration ; eclipse, nineteen and a half seconds ; red flash of three

seconds duration ; eclipse, nineteen and a half seconds elevated 186 ft. above the sea, and visible in clear weather the white flash from a distance of 20 miles, the red flash 12 miles.

The lighthouse, 100 ft. in height, is a cylindrical brick tower, painted white.

Approximate position, lat : $42^{\circ} 11' 0''$ S., long. $145^{\circ} 10' 30''$ E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts : Tasmania, No. 1,079 ; Marquarie Harbour, No. 1,629 ; also List of Lights, Part VI., 1899, page 222 ; Australia Directory, vol. I., 1897, page 643.

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

Calcutta, October 23, 1899.

BENGAL.—No. 208.

Pacific Ocean—Solomon Islands—Reported Shoal North-west of Manoba Island.

The British Admiralty has given notice (No. 592 of 1899) that a shoal exists about 6 miles north-west of Manoba island at the north-west extreme of Malaita.

This shoal is said to extend about 2 miles in a north-west and south-east direction, and to have a depth of about 4 fathoms over it, and on which the sea was seen breaking.

Approximate position : lat. $8^{\circ} 13'$ S., long. $160^{\circ} 38'$ E.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Chart : Solomon Islands, No. 214 ; also Pacific Islands, vol. I., 1890, page 374.

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Port Officer of Calcutta.

Calcutta, October 23, 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.	Cocoanut Oil.	Cocoanut Poonac.	Cinnamon.	Cinnamon Oil.	Citronella Oil.	Cardamoms.	Ebony.	Plumbago.	Coir Rope.	Coir Junk.	Coir Yarn.	Coir Fibre.	Sapan-wood.	Orchilla.	Kiitool Fibre.	Deer Horns	
			cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.	No.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	oz.	lb.	b.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.		
COLOMBO.	1899																											
ss. Clan MacNeil...	14-11	London ...	—	—	—	33	—	—	—	51700	259	3299	566	—	1800	1581	3995	—	4	—	—	69	260	—	—	7	32	
ss. Inaba Maru ...	14-11	Japan ...	—	—	25685	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15000	—	—	1800	—	—	44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Kiev ...	15-11	Odessa ...	20	—	466758	—	—	—	—	—	10000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. City of Oxford	15-11	London ...	5	—	403838	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Scindia ...	15-11	Mauritius ...	—	—	7942	—	—	—	—	22000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1100	—	—	131	40	—	—	43	—	
ss. Oroya ...	16-11	London ...	—	—	131962	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Logician ...	16-11	London ...	—	—	425828	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Varzin ...	16-11	Australia ...	—	—	72378	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. City of Khios ..	17-11	London ...	—	—	332604	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	—	3360*	1342†	10152	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	274	—	—	—	
ss. Palawan ...	17-11	London ...	—	—	252562	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	880	—	—	—	—	—	112	—	—	—	—	
ss. Omrah ...	17-11	Australia ...	10	—	206899	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Vindabona ...	17-11	China ...	—	—	9666	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	560*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	341	100	—	—	—	—	
ss. Weimar ...	18-11	Australia ...	—	—	57755	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Ras Elba ...	18-11	New York...	—	—	172411	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1560	—	759	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Jumna ...	18-11	Brisbane ...	—	—	34148	—	—	—	—	—	—	5663	—	—	—	—	—	—	12211	—	—	—	611	—	—	—	—	
ss. Clan Farquehar	18-11	London ...	211	—	496239	—	13552	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Sachsen ...	18-11	Bremen ...	—	—	12198	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ss. Oolabaria ...	18-11	Mauritius ...	—	—	2000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	973	36200†	5400	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
GALLE.																												
Nil																												

* Chips.

† And chips 1,120 lb.

‡ Leaf.

Importation of Rice from Indian Ports during the Week.

TO COLOMBO :—

From Calcutta	...	Bags	11,583
Madras	...	"	929
China	...	"	875
Southern India	...	"	24,273
Total	...	Bags	37,660

TO GALLE :—

From Calcutta	...	Bags	3,440
Southern India	...	"	849
Total	...	Bags	4,289

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, November 21, 1899.

W. H. JACKSON,
for Principal Collector.

Ceylon Government Railways—Comparative Statement of Traffic for the Month ended September 30, 1899.

Receipts from	Month ended September 30, 1897.			Month ended September 30, 1898.			Month ended September 30, 1899.			Increase— 1899 over 1898.			Decrease— 1899 below 1898.		
	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.	No.	Rs.	c.
Passengers, Ordinary & Special	377,880	187,092	68	382,150	182,620	49	434,083	211,078	27	51,933	28,457	78	—	—	—
Coolies ...	17,737	10,757	45	14,194	7,680	63	6,343	3,748	15	—	—	—	7,851	3,932	48
Season Tickets	409	2,124	15	1,419	3,878	69	1,960	4,929	98	541	1,051	29	—	—	—
Total Passengers	396,026	199,974	28	397,763	194,179	81	442,386	219,756	40	44,623	25,576	59	—	—	—
Parcels ...	34,767	10,241	69	36,774	10,353	33	41,399	12,402	30	4,625	2,048	97	—	—	—
Horses ...	285	1,889	74	240	732	59	354	1,969	73	114	1,237	14	—	—	—
Carrriages ...	66	812	23	53	703	50	48	661	33	—	—	—	5	42	17
Bicycles, &c. ...	525	351	61	713	466	76	893	542	1	180	75	25	—	—	—
Dogs ...	415	309	20	338	248	10	352	240	0	14	—	—	—	—	8
Other small Animals	27	31	64	27	32	95	26	40	39	—	7	44	1	—	—
Neat Cattle ...	3	14	78	—	—	—	4	57	53	4	57	53	—	—	—
Mails ...	—	4,260	60	—	4,509	20	—	4,525	54	—	16	34	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Coaching & Goods	—	1,086	49	—	1,778	76	—	1,617	80	—	—	—	—	—	160
Goods, Tons ...	39,463	348,270	64	37,615	380,724	14	43,398	399,140	69	5,783	18,416	55	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Goods	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Live Stock ...	1,884	843	75	1,552	546	75	2,117	1,037	97	565	491	22	—	—	—
General Miscellaneous	—	6,865	65	—	1,759	68	—	6,196	22	—	4,436	54	—	—	—
Total for the Month	—	574,955	30	—	596,035	57	—	648,187	91	—	52,152	34	—	—	—
Brought forward from previous Return	—	487,291	91	—	503,840	59	—	504,895	2	—	10,557	43	—	—	—
Total from January 1 to Sept. 30	—	544,787	21	—	563,443	16	—	569,714	93	—	62,709	77	—	—	—
Corresponding period of previous Year ...	—	505,787	65	—	544,787	21	—	563,443	16	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase ...	—	389,991	56	—	186,568	95	—	62,709	77	—	—	—	—	—	—
Decrease ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic Train Mileage this Month	97,514	—	—	102,629	—	—	103,092	—	—	463	—	—	—	—	—
Brought forward from last Return	801,230	—	—	791,811	—	—	832,122	—	—	40,311	—	—	—	—	—
Total from January 1 to Sept. 30	898,744	—	—	894,440	—	—	935,214	—	—	40,774	—	—	—	—	—
Corresponding period of previous Year ...	860,542	—	—	898,744	—	—	894,440	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Increase ...	38,202	—	—	—	—	—	40,774	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Decrease ...	—	—	—	4,304	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Particulars of Goods Conveyed.	Month ended September 30, 1899.				January 1 to September 30, 1899.				January 1 to September 30, 1898.				Increase in 1899.				Decrease in 1899.			
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lb.
First class Goods	37	1	0	0	358	9	0	0	303	8	0	0	55	1	0	0	—	—	—	—
Kerosine Oil ...	110	11	0	0	1,095	12	0	0	894	12	0	0	201	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 2nd class Goods	801	4	0	0	6,042	14	0	0	5,908	19	0	0	133	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Rice ...	9,519	19	0	0	82,176	12	0	0	76,959	18	0	0	5,216	14	0	0	—	—	—	—
Arrack ...	268	2	0	0	1,885	1	0	0	2,057	15	0	0	—	—	—	—	172	14	0	0
Tea Leaf ...	58	13	0	0	726	3	0	0	570	4	0	0	155	19	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cinnamon ...	94	18	0	0	338	1	0	0	241	1	0	0	97	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cacao ...	13	9	0	0	1,551	1	0	0	1,363	3	0	0	187	18	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cardamoms ...	19	5	0	0	181	16	0	0	226	2	0	0	—	—	—	—	44	6	0	0
Salt ...	356	8	0	0	3,002	18	0	0	3,129	8	0	0	—	—	—	—	126	10	0	0
Tobacco ...	140	18	0	0	1,018	8	0	0	817	12	0	0	200	16	0	0	—	—	—	—
Beer, 3rd class	9	12	0	0	86	13	0	0	198	3	0	0	—	—	—	—	111	10	0	0
Tea packing, 3rd class	23	0	0	0	260	17	0	0	171	11	0	0	89	6	0	0	—	—	—	—
Manure, 3rd class	—	—	—	—	46	11	0	0	83	12	0	0	—	—	—	—	37	1	0	0
Plumbago, 3rd class	21	15	0	0	244	11	0	0	54	14	0	0	189	17	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 3rd class Goods	4,201	7	0	0	36,656	19	0	0	35,196	13	0	0	1,460	6	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cinchona ...	12	18	0	0	152	5	0	0	276	3	0	0	—	—	—	—	123	18	0	0
Coffee ...	10	0	0	0	1,009	4	0	0	514	9	0	0	494	15	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cocoanuts ...	738	9	0	0	6,217	3	0	0	4,673	15	0	0	1,543	8	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cocconut Oil ...	267	5	0	0	2,030	5	0	0	1,929	13	0	0	100	12	0	0	—	—	—	—
Copperah ...	1,193	9	0	0	6,628	16	0	0	6,771	7	0	0	—	—	—	—	142	11	0	0
Cotton ...	5	10	0	0	30	15	0	0	119	9	0	0	—	—	—	—	88	14	0	0
Poonac ...	702	11	0	0	5,118	0	0	0	4,629	17	0	0	488	3	0	0	—	—	—	—
Staves ...	84	5	0	0	788	10	0	0	255	2	0	0	533	8	0	0	—	—	—	—
Tea ...	5,266	2	0	0	47,759	18	0	0	44,142	6	0	0	3,617	12	0	0	—	—	—	—
Timber, Wrought	69	3	0	0	853	11	0	0	958	19	0	0	—	—	—	—	105	8	0	0
Other 4th class Goods	1,550	1	0	0	11,677	0	0	0	13,643	11	0	0	—	—	—	—	1,966	11	0	0
Timber at 5th class rate	298	11	0	0	2,137	17	0	0	2,662	10	0	0	—	—	—	—	524	13	0	0
Other 5th class Goods	953	7	0	0	8,232	12	0	0	8,281	15	0	0	—	—	—	—	49	3	0	0
Timber at 6th class rate	—	—	—	—	321	2	0	0	17	16	0	0	303	6	0	0	—	—	—	—
Tea Packing, 6th class	1,052	0	0	0	9,712	9	0	0	9,114	9	0	0	598	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Manure, 6th class	1,302	6	0	0	8,193	0	0	0	7,360	2	0	0	832	18	0	0	—	—	—	—
Plumbago, 6th class	2,056	13	0	0	16,172	18	0	0	11,968	12	0	0	4,204	6	0	0	—	—	—	—
Beer, 6th class	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Staves, 6th class	4	3	0	0	27	2	0	0	17	12	0	0	9	10	0	0	—	—	—	—
Other 6th class Goods	1,437	0	0	0	8,385	2	0	0	6,493	11	0	0	1,891	11	0	0	—	—	—	—
Bulky Articles and Road Metal	—	—	—	—	3	0	0	0	118	4	0	0	—	—	—	—	115	4	0	0
Railway Material	2,890	12	0	0	27,889	4	0	0	23,232	4	0	0	4,657	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Public Works Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prison Department Material	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Breakwater Material	7,568	4	0	0	67,810	3	0	0	77,965	11	0	0	—	—	—	—	10,155	8	0	0
Petroleum ...	227	14	0	0	2,154	9	0	0	1,706	6	0	0	448	3	0	0	—	—	—	—
Free Goods ...	29	19	0	0	367	8	0	0	399	8	0	0	—	—	—	—	32	0	0	0
Total ...	43,398	4	0	0	369,343	19	0	0	355,429	6	0	0	27,710	4	0	0	13,795	11	0	0</