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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PEARL FISHERY OF 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Pearl Fishery will take place at Marichchikaddi, in the Island of Ceylon, on or about 14th March, 1904.

The bank to be fished is the South-West Cheval Paar, which is estimated to contain 13,000,000 oysters.

2. It is notified that the first day's fishing will take place on the first favourable day after the 13th March.

3. Marichchikaddi is on the mainland, eight miles by sea south of Sillavaturai, and supplies of good water and provisions can be obtained there.

4. The Fishery will be conducted on account of Government, and the oysters put up to sale in such lots as may be deemed expedient.

5. The arrangements of the Fishery will be the same as have been usual on similar occasions. Persons attending the Fishery Camp from India will be permitted to travel to Ceylon by either of the following routes—(1) Tuticorin to Colombo, or (2) Paumben to Marichchikaddi—and by no other. Arrangements will be made, as at the last Fishery, for travellers to proceed from Paumben direct to the Camp. The only restriction imposed on travellers by the Paumben route will be inspection by the Medical Officer at Paumben.

6. All payments to be made in ready money in Ceylon currency.

7. Drafts on the Banks in Colombo or bills on the Agents of this Government in India, at ten days' sight, will be taken, on letters of credit being produced to warrant the drawing of such drafts or bills.

8. For the convenience of purchasers, the Treasurer at Colombo and the different Government Agents of Provinces will be authorized to receive cash deposits from parties intending to become purchasers, and receipts of these officers will be taken in payment of any sums due on account of the Fishery.

9. No deposit will be received for a less sum than Rs. 250.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, February 27, 1904.

EVERARD IM THURN,
Colonial Secretary.