

PROPOSED STORM SIGNAL CODE FOR THE FAR EAST, SUITABLE
UNIVERSALLY FOR VISUAL AND TELEGRAPHIC STORM WARNING, ALSO FOR
THE "GENERAL INFERENCE" FOLLOWING SYNOPTIC WEATHER MESSAGES.

The Code is an adaptation of the China Seas Storm Signal Code which has been in use in China since 1920.

The following ten symbols are used :



indicating the figures

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

(2) The signals are hoisted at the yard-arms and at the mast head of a Storm Signal Mast and have the following significance:-

Typhoons and depressions.-

- (a) 4 symbols at one yard-arm showing the position of the centre.
- (b) 3 symbols at the other yard-arm, showing the direction of motion or, alternatively, certain conditions, also the accuracy with which the centre has been located, and the intensity. (Tables 1, 2 and 3.)
- (c) 1 symbol at the mast head showing the time at which the centre was in the position indicated (Table 4)

Gale Signals

- (d) 1 symbol at one yard-arm showing the region threatened (Table 5)
- (e) 2 symbols at the other yard-arm showing the general direction from which the gale is blowing, in points: 08 = East, 16 = South, 24 = West, 32 = North.
- (f) 1 symbol at the mast head showing the time at which the gale was as stated.

(3) The two upper symbols of group (a) indicate by their corresponding numbers the latitude, and the two lower symbols the longitude, of the centre of a circle (of a radius specified by the lowest symbol of group (b)) within which the centre of the depression or typhoon lies. The symbols for longitude give the tens and units only, thus 32 indicates longitude 132°.