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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 2nd March 1858.

No. 8. From G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 22nd February 1858, No. 358.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated the 11th Instant, No. 84, communicating copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, dated the 29th Ultimo, representing the inconvenience felt in the Straits' Settlements from the want of an adequate supply of Copper Cents, and impressing upon this Government the importance of sending a further supply of the Copper Coins in question with all possible despatch.

2. Copper single, half, and quarter Cents to the value of 18,250 Dollars have already been forwarded to the Straits Settlements by the "Manilla" and the "Thebes," as reported in my letter to Government of the 13th Instant. Nearly Fifteen thousand Dollars' worth of Copper single and quarter Cents are now packed up in the General Treasury and awaiting shipment to the same destination. I am informed by the Marine Board that there is not at present any likelihood of a Government Vessel proceeding to those Settlements, but that, if there be no objection, the supply might be sent by the "Coral Queen," "a fine although small Schooner of 80 tons," which will be leaving Madras for Singapore in the present week.

3. In the absence of a Government Steamer, I think, if the present supply be urgently required, it might, in preference to being sent by this small Schooner, be conveyed to Singapore *via* Galle by the next P. and O. Company's Steamer expected here from Calcutta. I beg to be favored with the instructions of Government on the subject, in order that the necessary communication may be made to the Marine Board for engaging freight for it by the next P. and O. Company's Steamer, or, if the Government see fit, by the Schooner "Coral Queen."

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, No. 124; dated 25th February 1858.

As it appears from a late communication from the Government of India that injury and inconvenience are experienced by the population of the Straits' Settlements, from the want of an adequate supply of Copper Cents, the Government direct that the quantity remaining in the General Treasury and awaiting shipment be despatched to Singapore *via* Galle by the P. and O. Steamer expected from Calcutta, and that arrangements be made accordingly.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 10. To the SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, dated 25th February 1858, No. 125.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter of the 22nd Instant, No. 111, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward copy of a further communication from the Accountant General, and to state that instructions have been issued for despatching to Singapore, *via* Galle by the next P. and O. Company's Steamer expected from Calcutta, the remaining portions of the Copper Cents (nearly 15,000 Dollars' worth) now packed up in the General Treasury and awaiting shipment to the Straits' Settlements.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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For the Govt
25 Feb 1858

To the Govt General }
- Marine Board. } Feb 25

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Despatch No. 125

Financial Department

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To The Secy to the Govt of India

Sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 23rd instant No. 111, I am directed by the R. & the Governor in Council to forward copy of a further communication from the Accountant General and to state that instructions have been issued for despatching to Singapore, via Cebu by the next P. & O. Company's Steamer expected from Calcutta the remaining portions of the Copper Cents (nearly 15,000 Dollars worth) now packed up in the General Treasury & awaiting shipment to the Straits Settlements.

Dated 22nd Feb 1858 - No 358.

For: H. George
25 Feb 1858

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