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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 5th October 1863.

Read the following papers:—

No. 5. From R. W. LODWICK, Esq., Acting Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort Saint George, 17th September 1863, No. 195.

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2. This would seem the time when the treasure is in most peril in case of a wreck, and if a buoy and rope were at hand they might be attached to each box till it reached the boat's bottom, after which they would serve for the next box.

3. Two buoys and ropes would add nothing to the freight, and if one box went overboard there would be a spare rope and buoy for use.

Referred to the Master Attendant in charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Marine for his opinion.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
22nd September 1863.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 6. From H. D. E. DALRYMPLE, Esq., Master Attendant in charge of the Marine Superintendent's Office; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Marine Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 25th September 1863, No. 2,394.

From Accountant General, dated 17th September 1863, No. 195.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of letter as per margin, and Order of Government thereon, dated 22nd September 1863.

2. The suggestion of the Accountant General would be a good one if, when clearing out treasure from a stranded vessel, time was no object.

3. The buoys and buoy ropes can easily be sent with every batch of treasure, but in cases of sudden emergency so much time would be lost in slinging and unslinging every box of treasure with a buoy rope that I should doubt very much their being used. I however see no reason why the experiment should not be tried.

4. In conclusion, I beg to observe that the principal danger to treasure in cases of shipwreck will be generally in the attempt to land it in ship's boats with a heavy sea or surf running at the time.

No. 7. ORDER THEREON, 5th October 1863, No. 643.

The Governor in Council directs the Master Attendant will try the experiment of sending two buoys and buoy ropes in each vessel in which treasure may be shipped.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry.

No. 2394. Madras
Marine Supdt^y Office
25^th^ September 1863.

From

H. D. E. Dalrymple Esq^re^
Master Attendant in charge
of the Marine Superintendent
Office

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Chief Secretary to Government.
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Your most obediant Servant.

W. D. L. Dalrymple

Master Attendant in charge of the Marine Supdt.s Office

No. 195 FORT SAINT GEORGE.

DEPUTY AUDITOR AND ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

September 17th 1863.

From THE ACTING DEPUTY AUDITOR AND ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,

Madras.

To THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. Goodwin

Ag. Dy. Audr. and Acct. General.

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Reports on the recommendation of the Master Attendant Cuddalore suggesting that two buoys & buoy ropes be kept in readiness with every Pilot Vessel - and on the use in clearing out Treasure from a stranded vessel.

From Judicial Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

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Master Attendant in Charge of the Office of Capt^n of Marine } 25th 2394

Order thereon 5th Oct. 1863 No 643.

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To the Master Attendant in Charge of Marine Capt^n's Office
Acct^o General. } dated 20

No 195 dated 17th Sept. 1863.

Rec^d 25th Sept. 1863.

Ans^d 5th Oct. 1863 No 643

No 643

Respecting the advisability of having on board Pilot Vessels Coasting Vessels two buoys and buoy ropes in case of loss of one as is the practice on the Malabar Coast.

Transmitting a Minute of Council with papers thereon

Referred

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Referred to the Master Attendant in charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Marine for his opinion.

(Sd) C. Churchill
Chief Secretary to Govt.

The Master Attendant in charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Marine

Sir,

I have the honor to return herewith the papers noted in the margin, and to report that I am of opinion that the proposed experiment of placing two buoys and buoy ropes in each vessel in which treasure may be shipped, will be attended with no advantage.

2. The buoy ropes are generally of a very inferior description, and the buoys are not of sufficient size to support the weight of a man.

3. Should the experiment be tried, I would suggest that the buoys be made of cork, and that they be of sufficient size to support the weight of a man.

I have &c.

(Sd) J. Hamilton
Master Attendant in charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Marine

Dated 22nd Sept. 1863.

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