

# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

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DEPARTMENT.

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*Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 14th July 1857.*

No. 3. From Colonel P. MELVILL, Secretary to the Government of Bombay; to the Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, Marine Department, No. 1000, Bombay Castle, 26th June 1857.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge your letter, dated the 11th Ultimo, No. 195, and to transmit to you, for the information of the Government at Fort Saint George, the accompanying Copies of a letter from the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy, dated the 13th Instant, No. 744, and of its Enclosure, and to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has sanctioned the employment of the two Extra Draftsmen therein alluded to, for the purpose of Copying the Charts applied for in your letter.

(Signed) P. MELVILL, Colonel,  
*Secretary to Government.*

From His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir H. F. LEEKE, K. H. R. N., Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy; to the Right Honorable LORD ELPHINSTONE, G. C. H., Governor and President in Council, dated Bombay, 13th June 1857, No. 744.

MY LORD,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Secretary Colonel Melvill's letter, No. 861, dated the 3rd Instant, with its Enclosures, and in compliance with the instructions therein contained, beg to submit the accompanying letter to my address from the Indian Naval Draftsman, furnishing the information required by the Madras Government.

2. Under the circumstances stated by Lieutenant Fergusson, I would venture to solicit that the two Draftsmen referred to by him may be re-engaged from the 8th Instant, for the purpose of Copying the Charts ordered to be supplied.

(Signed) H. F. LEEKE,  
*Commander-in-Chief, I. N.*

From Lieutenant E. F. T. FERGUSSON, Indian Naval Draftsman; to Rear Admiral Sir H LEEKE, K. H., R. N., Commander-in-Chief, I. N., dated Bombay, 8th June 1857 No. 46.

SIR,

In reference to your Memorandum, No. 2096 of the 4th Instant, and accompaniments, herewith returned, I have the honor to report that the Charts ordered to be supplied to the Madras Government will take some time to Copy as the sheets are large and about fifteen to twenty in number.

There are only two Native Draftsmen permanently attached to this Office, and they are required to meet the every day demands at this Presidency and whenever Extra work is thrown upon the Office, Extra Draftsman are invariably granted by Government to carry it out: I beg to state that the two Extra Draftsmen lately allowed on Rupees Forty a month each for completing Charts for the Government Transport Service were discharged on the 31st Ultimo, and as this newwork is to be debited, (as regards expense, &c.,) to the Madras Government, I have in anticipation of the Government sanction, re-engaged them from to-day to Copy the Charts required by the Madras Government, which I trust will meet with your approval.

The one hundred Copies required of the Chart of the Coast are not at present obtainable in Bombay, but a supply is shortly expected, and then they will be purchased as directed. I beg to state that I think it will take at least six months to complete the Charts required by the Madras Government, with the Extra hands now engaged.

(Signed) E. F. T. FERGUSSON, Lieutenant, I. N.,  
*Indian Naval Draftsman.*

(True Copies.)

(Signed) P. MELVILL, Colonel,  
*Secretary to Government.*

No. 4. ORDER THEREON No. 264; dated 8th July 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Marine Board, with reference to their letter of the 18th April last, No. 1522.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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18<sup>th</sup> April last No. 1522.

To the Marine Board,  
8<sup>th</sup> July, 1857.

J. M.

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To the Marine Board. Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1857.