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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 20th October 1857.

No. 26. From J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Secretary Marine Board; to E. MALTBY, Esq.,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated 10th October 1857, No. 3512.

SIR,

With reference to the orders of Government passed in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 16th September last, No. 373, directing the Marine Board to submit their opinion as regards the Mooring Buoys, of which Lieutenant Goddard, the Civil Engineer of the Canara District, proposes to lay down six in the entrance Channel to the Tuddri Harbour, I have the honor by their desire to state that they can scarcely do so until they have before them a good plan of the Harbour. Lieutenant Taylor will probably be able to afford them some information on the subject, and on his return from Cocanada he will be conferred with.

2. The Board, however, desire me to mention that it will be matter of much difficulty to lay down Screw Moorings where there is much swell. It is not impossible but it requires some one well conversant with the operation. While in England I accompanied Mr. Mitchell, of the Firm of Sanders and Mitchell who are working the patent, to see one screwed down in the Victoria Docks, and was satisfied that it could only be done, with a fair chance of success by parties unaccustomed to the work, when the water was very smooth. The Firm had never put down any in the open Sea, although they were then placing one on a rock on the Coast of Ireland, a few feet below the level of low water.

3. Lieutenant Taylor will be able to afford such information as to the opportunities of smooth water in Tuddri Harbour, and as to the general features of the locality itself that the Board solicit permission to withhold their opinion till they have had the advantage of personally conferring with that Officer.

4. Before concluding they beg to correct an error which Lieutenant Goddard has fallen into regarding the Coompta Light. It never was intended to be more than a Fort Light, although from its being the only one contemplated at the time it was proposed, the Board were about to exhibit a third class light then. On the subject of this light they have addressed Government in their letter of the 9th Instant, No. 3506.

(Signed) J. J. FRANKLIN,
Secretary.

No. 27. ORDER THEREON, No. 447; dated 19th October 1857.

The Marine Board's intention to confer with Lieutenant Taylor, before submitting their opinion as regards the Mooring Buoys of the description proposed by Lieutenant Goddard, for the Tuddri Harbour, is approved.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

No 447
The Marine Board's
intention to confer with Lieut. J. J.
for before submitting their opinion
as regards the proposed Buoy of
the description proposed by Lieut.
Goddard for the Fiddri Harbour,
is approved.

Fort George, Y.
19 October 1857.

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To the Marine Board. Dispd. 24th.