

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras,

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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No. 5. From Lieutenant A. D. TAYLOR, I. N., Commanding Honorable Company's Surveying Vessel "Pownah"; to THOMAS PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore 19th March 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Government of Madras that I found on arrival at this place a communication (Enclosure, No. 1,) from the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy, directing me to retain Mr. May on Board the "Pownah." I am also in receipt of Extract of Minutes of Consultation, No. 270, which contains a copy of a letter from Commodore Wellesley to the Governor of Bombay, referring to the removal of Mr. May from my Vessel.

The second and third paras: of that letter would lead you to suppose that I wanted more Officers to enable me to complete the Coast Survey, but such is not the case, for that Survey was completed in April last and were all my Officers removed the progress of that work could not be interfered with.

All that I have left undone to complete the duty on which I was originally detached is that I had not transmitted the last sheet of the Coast Survey but the delay in doing this was my anxiety to comply with the wishes of the Honorable Court of Directors as expressed in Enclosure, No. 3, which are that the points of the grand Trigonometrical Survey be inserted upon all future Surveys before transmission to them.

With the intention of getting this done, I carried my Chart with me to Madras but was unable to get any information on the subject out of the Chief Engineer's Office, so I brought the Chart back with me and am about to despatch it to Bombay having done which, the duty on which I was originally detached is completed and on return to Bombay whither I am ordered, there will remain no Charts for me to finish except those I am doing for the Madras Government. The "Pownah" must go to Bombay for repair and I am of opinion that in the prosecution of the River Surveys next season we can do very well without her.

I shall then be able to devote to the Survey all my time which is now thrown away in drawing up complicated Ship's account for which duty a Clerk was denied me.

Enclosure, No. 2, which is a copy of a letter from Commodore Wellesley, will shew you that I am no longer to carry on the River Surveys for the Madras Government, but am to return to Bombay.

From Commodore GEORGE G. WELLESLEY, Commander-in-Chief, I. N.; to Lieutenant A. D. TAYLOR, Commanding the Honorable Company's Surveying Vessel, Pattermar "Pownah," dated Bombay 15th January 1858, Nos. 165 and 166.

SIR,

I have to call your attention to my letter, No. 4495 of the 17th December last, regarding the transmission of the result of your Survey of the Coast between Mount Dilly and Calicut and to direct immediate compliance therewith.

I have also to direct you to repair to Bombay with the "Pownah" and "Cardiva" so as to arrive here before the commencement of the next South West Monsoon.

SIR,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 37, dated the 31st Ultimo and with reference to the first part of the third para: have to express my surprise that you should have expected a communication on a subject regarding which you had not made any report to me.

Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 1th April 1858.

2nd. Referring to the 5th para: I have to acquaint you that as Mr. May seems to have re-joined the "Pownah" you will appoint that Officer an Acting Lieutenant and Assistant Surveyor as directed in the 3rd para: of my letter, No. 3646 of the 16th October last, reporting to me the date from which the arrangement may have effect in view to its being submitted for the sanction of Government.

3rd. Mr. Williams, Mate, may be appointed Store Accountant from the date of your receiving this letter, which you will duly report.

No. 2902 of 1857.

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, INDIAN NAVY.

BOMBAY, 15th August 1857.

The following copy of a letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors, No. 56, dated 1st July 1857, is transmitted for the information and guidance of Lieutenant Taylor, Commanding the Honorable Company's Surveying Pattamar "Pownah."

With reference to the enquiry contained in your letter, No. 5, dated the 2nd February 1857, respecting certain Charts of the Coast of Western India, we have to observe that the Charts from Surat to Arnol Island are being engraved. We have directed the Surveys of Lieutenants Selby and Taylor to be proceeded with at once, but these having been executed independently of the Trigonometrical Survey of India it is very difficult to adjust them with the Triangulation of that Survey. If the Stations of the Trigonometrical Survey had been inserted the process of reducing them to the Mercator's projection would have been comparatively easy. We desire that this be done on all future Surveys of that Coast before they are transmitted to us. As soon as any of the sheets are engraved copies will be forwarded to you.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) P. M. MELVILL, Colonel.

Secretary to Government.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) FREDRICK G. BONE,

Secretary.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. D. TAYLOR, Lieutenant,

Indian Navy.

No. 6.

ORDER THEREON, No. 141; dated 1st April 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Marine Board.

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Fort St George,
1st April, 1858-3

To the Marine Board. Sept 8th 58

*For signature
March 19/88*

Commanding #2. 18. Frank

W. A. Jackson

Comd. 1st Lt. 1st

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ORDER THEREON, No. 141 ; dated 1st April 1885

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(Signed) H. FORB

Acting Secy

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