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Marine DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 1st to 10th June 1859.*

No. 27. Read the following letter from Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th May 1859, No. 67.

1. With reference to para: 4 of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 6th December last, No. 480, Marine Department, I have the honor to forward a report of the working of the Marine Police, and to observe that the advantages of the new system of Marine Police have now to be balanced against the cost, both of which I will endeavour to set forth.

2. Since the new system came into play, there have been few cases of Robbery by Boatmen, and no complaints, and I think I am safely say, that it has answered the most sanguine anticipation of all who shared in the framing of it. Goods are now shipped and landed with a degree of security heretofore unknown, and the amount raised by private contributors under the Act, is so large, as nearly to cover the monthly charges, and if the Fee was raised from 3 to 4 Annas, it would in all probability more than cover the whole expences of the Force, instead of leaving as at present, a balance of above $\frac{1}{3}$ th to be borne by the Treasury, a trifle in short comparatively with the advantages which the disbursement of it bestows upon all interested in the trade of the Port.

3. As the Act was brought into operation at the close of the year 1858, the 6 months Account now rendered, can hardly be expected to give a fair average of the pecuniary results to be looked for from it because our Boats are much less employed in the months of November and December, than at any other period of the year, on account of the risks of the North East monsoon, yet notwithstanding this circumstance, which actually threw upon Government for these months of last year a larger portion of the cost of maintaining the Force, than will have to be borne by them during the other 9 months of the year, the number of Boat Trips, backward and forward, made within the period of this report, under the direct surveillance of its Officers, was no less than 64,459 (Vide annexed Statement) giving a gross return at the prescribed rate of 3 Annas per Trip for each, of Rupees 12,271-1-0 leaving a balance against the Treasury including the cost of Clothing, purchase of Police Boats and Catamarans, and various other contingencies, of Rupees 2,905-2-10. It may be as well for me to point out however, this loss is not really so large as it seems, because Marine Police Officers now accompany every Boat load of stores, shipped or unshipped by the Arsenal and Commissariat Department, and the cost of Batta to their Peons, One of whom I understand formerly went in each Boat, and was charged at 2 Annas per Trip, is now economized. I have no means of judging what the amount of such Batta might be, but whatever it may be, credit should be given to the Marine Police for the sum of it.

4. When full account comes to be taken at the close of the current year, I entertain a hope that the fruits of the Marine Police system will be more satisfactory than they now appear, and that the magnitude of the benefits flowing from it, to all who are interested in the Import and Export trade of this Port, will be double apparent.

5. I have now only to state that I find the strength of the Force as now established, considering that under Section II, of Act XXVIII of 1858 (Marine Police) that no Cargo can be conveyed unless a Boat is provided with a Police Officer, and that it is the duty of the Commissioner of Police to provide men, not more than sufficient to meet the requirements of the Port when business is ordinarily brisk; and a reference to the Appended Statement of Trips will shew that at times we are very hard pushed to meet the demand on us.

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Memorandum of Receipts and Charges on account of the Marine Police Force for the year 1859.											
1858.		Rs.		A. P.		Rs.		A. P.		Rs. A. P.	
October	By Cash received in this month on 10,930 Boats at 3 Annas each.....	2,049	6	0							
"	By ditto being fines levied under Act XXVIII of 1858.....	150	0	0		2,199	6	0		1,582	8 5
Novr.	By Cash received in this month on 3,750 Boats at 3 Annas each.....	0	0	0						1,588	8 0
Decr.	By ditto in ditto on 7280 do. at do.....	1,365	0	0		710	10	0		1,683	5 1
"	By ditto being fines levied under Act XXVIII of 1858.....	10	0	0						2,020	9 6
						1,375	0	0		2,077	5 9
1859.										2,211	9 4
January	By ditto in this month on 11,759 Boats at 3 Annas each.....	0	0	0						11,163 14 1	
February	By ditto in this month on 15,588 Boats at 3 Annas each.....	0	0	0		2,204	13	0		460	11 4
March	By ditto in this month on 15,112 Boats at 3 Annas each.....	2,833	8	0		2,922	12	0		265	11 4
"	By ditto being fines levied under Act XXVIII of 1858.....	25	0	0						10	2 1
										461	13 3
										254	7 5
										65	0 6
						2,858	8	0		1,517	13 11
						12,971	1	0		83	8 0
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(Signed) J. C. BOULDERSON,
Commissioner of Police.

MADRAS POLICE,
Commissioner's Office,
10th May 1859.

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from 1st to 10th June 1859.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1859, No. 247.

In this letter, the Commissioner of Police reports as desired in Extract Minutes of Consultation, 6th December last, No. 480, after six month's trial, the cost of the Marine Police as compared with the income derived from Boat fees.

2. The receipts for the period under report have been Rupees 12,271-1-0 the cost of Establishment has been Rupees 11,163-14-1 giving a surplus of receipts above expense of Establishment of Rupees 1,108. This however has been more than absorbed by the charges for contingencies Rupees 1,434-5-11 and Clothing Rupees 2,577-15-10 so that the Memo. submitted by the Commissioner of Police gives on the whole an excess of charges above receipts of Rupees 2,905-2-10.

3. It is however remarked that the contingencies include many items as cost of Boats, Catamarans, Office Punkahs, Chubbs Safe, which do not fall under the head of monthly contingencies and will not have to be incurred month by month. They include also the cost of Printing forms and passes, which will henceforward be struck off at the Government Press—Rupees 1,564-9-3 has been expended for Clothing, a charge of Rupees 2,727-8-0 had been incurred on the like account in August last. But all this Clothing should not be placed against the receipts realized since the force was set on foot in October last. Some of the articles it is presumed will last for two years or even a longer period.

4. The six months under report include the months of November and December in which the number of Boats employed is smaller than in other months in consequence of the monsoon.

5. The Commissioner of Police, it is remarked, has recently undertaken the landing and Shipment of treasure by means of the Marine Police force, thus relieving the European Soldiers who have hitherto had that duty.

6. The Honorable the Governor in Council requests that the Commissioner will at the close of the present year submit a further report and Statement to take in the whole year 1859. It should exhibit the income realized during the year, the cost of establishment, expenses for Contingencies and Clothing, and proportion of them properly chargeable against the year. Adverting also to the conclusion of para: 3 of his letter he will endeavour to ascertain from the Arsenal and Commissariat Departments how much has been saved in the cost of Batta to the Peons, who under the old system, would have accompanied their consignments, and for which the present Force should receive credit, as also whether in consequence of the change, any reduction has been made in the number of Peons or Lascars employed in their Departments, and if so what the reduction amounts to.

7. The Statement of the number of Trips should not be sent up with further reports.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT.

Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

No. 17 in Series

Statement Showing the Number of Trips made by Fish Boats from October 1st 1888 to March 31st 1889 under the Provisions of Act No. XXXIII of 1888 Marine Police Act

Month	Date	Number of Fish	at 3 as per trip	Rs.	as	P.	Month	Date	Number of Fish	at 3 as per trip	Rs.	as	P.
1888	October						1888	Nov.					
	1	390	do	73	2	"		1	164	do	30	12	"
	2	534	do	100	2	"		2	51	do	9	9	"
	3	20	do	3	12	"		3	168	do	31	8	"
	4	548	do	102	12	"		4	119	do	22	5	"
	5	687	do	128	13	"		5	86	do	15	15	"
	6	498	do	93	6	"		6	217	do	40	11	"
	7	106	do	19	14	"		7	16	do	3	"	"
	8	46	do	8	10	"		8	297	do	55	11	"
	9	480	do	90	"	"		9	249	do	46	11	"
	10	36	do	6	12	"		10	127	do	23	13	"
	11	87	do	16	5	"		11	139	do	26	1	"
	12	479	do	89	13	"		12	66	do	12	6	"
	13	511	do	95	13	"		13	239	do	44	13	"
	14	154	do	85	2	"		14	17	do	3	3	"
	15	405	do	75	15	"		15	"	do	"	"	"
	16	583	do	109	5	"		16	36	do	8	12	"
	17	10	do	1	14	"		17	4	do	"	12	"
	18	642	do	120	6	"		18	175	do	32	13	"
	19	527	do	98	13	"		19	20	do	3	12	"
	20	509	do	95	7	"		20	"	"	"	"	"
	21	420	do	78	12	"		21	"	"	"	"	"
	22	85	do	15	15	"		22	1	do	"	3	"
	23	236	do	44	4	"		23	234	do	43	14	"
	24	283	do	53	1	"		24	262	do	49	2	"
	25	477	do	89	7	"		25	148	do	27	12	"
	26	260	do	48	12	"		26	328	do	61	8	"
	27	546	do	102	6	"		27	80	do	15	"	"
	28	421	do	78	15	"		28	7	do	1	5	"
	29	291	do	54	9	"		29	255	do	47	13	"
	30	354	do	86	6	"		30	286	do	53	10	"
	31	5	do	"	15	"			3790		710	10	"
		10930		2049	6	"			126				

Memorandum

		Per Trip	Rs	Al	
Trips made during the month of October 1858		10930	2049	8	
do	do November	3790	710	10	"
do	do December	7280	1365	"	"
do	do January 59	11759	2204	13	"
do	do February	15588	2922	12	"
do	do March	15112	2833	8	"
Amount of fines received		"	185	"	"
Total		64,159	12,771	1	"

Memorandum Commissioner of Police

Memorandum of Establishment and Attendance of Marine Police		per Annum	
1 Superintendent		250	"
1 Inspector		110	"
1 Constable		50	"
2 Writers at 25 Rupees each		50	"
1 Jamadar		35	"
1 Daffadar Major		15	"
10 Daffadars at 12 Rupees each		120	"
10 Muqees at 10 Rupees each		100	"
6 Cameropolis at 10 Rupees each		60	"
70 1st Class Peons at 8 Rupees each		560	"
80 2nd Class do at 7 Rupees each		560	"
10 Tridalls at 12 Rupees each		120	"
36 Boatmen at 10 Rupees each		360	"
10 Halfmen at 5 Rupees each		50	"
10 Boys at 3 1/2 Rupees each		35	"
9 Calmarummen at 10 Rupees each		90	"
Office Rent		50	"
House rent to Inspector		10	"
do do to Constable		7	"
Total Rupees		2509	8

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Commissioner's Office
10th May 1859

Commissioner of Police

Marine Department

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Colonel G. M. M. M.
Commissioner of Police
at P. P. P. P. P.
Chief Secretary to Government
at P. P. P. P. P.

Dated 10th
Decr 1859

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7. The statement of
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