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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 11th to 17th June 1859.*

No. 1. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 8th June 1859, No. 2253.

I have the honor to inform you that Lieutenant Fraser has represented the bottom of the "Coromandel" to be so foul with barnacles and seaweed that she has fallen off two knots an hour in her speed. The consumption of Coal is of course thereby much increased, and as she is about to proceed to Calcutta with the Mails, I would recommend that she be docked and cleansed before she again leaves. Should the Government consent to this, I would telegraph to Captain C. D. Campbell, the Senior Indian Naval Officer at Calcutta, to have a dock prepared for her.

2. Lieutenant Fraser likewise brings to my notice that his Boats, with one exception, are unfit for service, having been surveyed and condemned many months since at Calcutta. It will be necessary therefore to move the Bengal Government to cause other Boats to be supplied to her on her approaching visit to Calcutta.

3. Finally I would solicit the Government to instruct Lieutenant Fraser to expedite his departure from Calcutta as speedily as possible.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 11th June 1859, No. 254.

Resolved accordingly that the Government of India be requested to cause the "Coromandel" on her arrival at Calcutta, to be docked for the purpose of having the barnacles and seaweed, adhering to her bottom, removed and also to supply the Vessel with new Boats in lieu of those with her reported to be unserviceable. The Superintendent will telegraph to Captain Campbell as he proposes. Copy of this resolution will be furnished to the Commander of the "Coromandel" for his information, and he will be enjoined to use his endeavours, as far as practicable, to expedite the return of his Vessel.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 3. TO THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, HOME DEPARTMENT, dated Fort Saint George, 11th June 1859, No. 255.

SIR,

The Steamer "Coromandel" I. N., being about to proceed to Calcutta with the Mails, I am directed to request that orders may be issued, with the permission of the Government of India, directing the Vessel to be docked, immediately after her arrival, for the purpose of removing the barnacles and seaweed adhering to her. Her Commander represents that her bottom is so clogged that she has fallen off two knots per hour in speed. The consumption of Coal in consequence is much increased.

2. The Commander has likewise brought to notice that, with one exception, his Boats are unserviceable, and that in fact they had been surveyed and condemned at Calcutta many months ago. I am instructed, therefore, to request further that advantage may be taken of the stay of the Vessel at Calcutta to fit her out with new Boats in lieu of those with her, which are described as being unfit for service.

3. In conclusion I have to solicit that the departure of the "Coromandel" from Calcutta may be expedited.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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The Superintendent of
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Forb. & George, 2
11 June, 1854.

W. H. P.

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