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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,  
from 25th June to 1st July 1859.*

No. 10. Read the following letter from Messrs. R. B. BELL, AND P. MILLER; to His Excellency LORD HARRIS, Governor of Madras, dated Glasgow 22nd April 1859.

YOUR LORDSHIP,

The great extension of Maritime Commerce having rendered proper accommodation for Shipping at the different Colonial Ports a matter of much importance we take the liberty of calling your attention to the improvements on Slip Docks by which the efficiency of this mode of Docking Ships for repair has been very much increased.

By these improvements and particularly by the adoption of the Patent Hydraulic Purchase, Machinery Docks of this kind can now be made to take up the largest Men of War with the greatest facility.

They have been extensively adopted at home and abroad both for private and Government Dockyards. One of 3,000 Tons for Ships of War is at present being constructed for the Pacha of Egypt at Alexandria. Another has just been completed for the Government of Victoria, Australia. One of 3,000 Tons for Ships of War and the Royal Mail Steam Ships is about to be commenced at Jamaica, West Indies, under the auspices of the Government. A 1,500 Ton one is being constructed at the Mauritius. One for Ships of War is being constructed at the Royal Dockyard, Cronstadt, and the Russian Government contemplate laying down others at all the Principal Naval Stations.

Should it be contemplated to construct such works in Madras, we shall be glad to enter into communication and to consult with the proper authorities on the subject.

No. 11. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT, dated 23rd June 1859.

Transmit copies of this letter, and of its Enclosure to the Chamber of Commerce and the Chief Engineer for any observations they may have to offer.

Acquaint Messrs. H. Bell and P. Miller.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

No. 12.

ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1859, No. 287.

*Description of the Patent Hydraulic Purchase  
for Slip Docks—with plates.*

Resolved that a copy of the above letter and one of its enclosures in original, be transmitted to the Chamber of Commerce and the Chief Engineer for any observations they may have to offer.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

*Civil Engineers, Glasgow.*

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Mr. H. Bell

and  
P. Miller. -  
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To His Excellency  
Lord Harris

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authorities on the subject.

Transmit before  
of this letter and of its  
enclosure to the Admiralty  
of Commerce and the  
Civil Engineers for any  
observations that may  
have to offer -  
A. Young  
25 June 1839

Call the attention of  
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to enter into concert with  
the Govt. J. P.

Marine.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

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Bell & Miller, Glasgow Inter 22 April 1859.

" Minute by A. & the

President.

23 June

Order thereon. 29 June 1859

Resolved that <sup>a</sup>copy of  
the above letter & <sup>original</sup> of its en-  
closure <sup>is original</sup> ~~the letter~~ <sup>one of</sup> those  
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Description of the Patent  
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Slip Docks — with plates.

The Chamber of Commerce — with Description.  
" Chief Engineer — with do.  
" Bell & Miller, Civil Engineers, Glasgow.

29 June 1859

July 10th

Received of the  
Hon. Secy of the Navy  
the sum of \$100.00

July 1st 1884  
Marine Corps etc

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