

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1417	Press Mis. -
Dated	25-8	1859.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 20th to 26th August 1859.*

No. 11. Read the following letter from G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated 10th August 1859, No. 154.

With reference to the Orders of Government of the 16th ultimo, No. 317, desiring me to represent any objection I may see to the receipts realized by the Packet Steamers plying between Madras, the Northern Ports, and Rangoon, being credited to the Madras Presidency, I have the honor to state that in my opinion Madras cannot take the earnings when she does not bear the ordinary charges of the Steamers. As the General Government of India and the Bombay Government sustain the ordinary charges of the Steamers employed in the Packet service, I think a reference on the subject might be made to the Accountant General to the Government of India and the Accountant General at Bombay. If the Government will be pleased to order it, I shall communicate with those functionaries regarding the matter, and communicate the result to Government.

2. I take this opportunity of bringing to notice with reference to the Order of Government of the 26th ultimo, No. 337, Marine Department, that the Steam Transport "Sydney," being a "Sea-going Steamer" the advances which may be made here on her account should, I presume, be debitable to the "General Government of India," and not to the "Government of Bengal." Vide paragraphs 15 and 22, of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, dated 15th December 1855, No. 4813 A, Financial Department, communicated to this office in Extract Minutes of Consultation, of 11th January 1856, No. 16, Financial Department.

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 25th August 1859, No. 417.

The Government have no objection to the Accountant General referring the question as he proposes, but they consider it will be sufficient to communicate only with the Accountant General to the Government of India, to whom it may be left to decide the general question.

2. Paragraph 2, of the above letter will be communicated to the Superintendent of Marine who will be furnished with copy of the Extract referred to. Advances to the Steamer "Sydney" will accordingly be carried to debit of the General Government of India.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Extract from the Proceedings of the most Noble
the Governor General of India in Council in
the Financial Department under date the
15th December 1855.

Para 15- The Accountant General to the
Government of India, will be in im-
mediate charge of the General Department
of the present Accountants Office, inclu-
ding the Accounts of the Eastern Settle-
ments.

- D^o of Her Majesty's Colonial Government
- D^o of Her Majesty's Government
- D^o of the Electric Telegraph
- D^o of the East Indian Railway
- D^o of the Calcutta Mint
- D^o of the General Treasury Fort William
- D^o of the Public Debt of the Government
of India and of the Service Funds.

The Durbar Department

Including the Accounts of Pol^r Officers

- D^o General Superint^t of Shuggee
- D^o Hyderabad Disbursements &c
- D^o Nagpore.

The Pega Department

Including the Accounts of Rev^d Officers

- D^o Post Masters
- D^o Magistrates
- D^o Superintendent of Survey
- D^o D^o of Forests
- D^o Assay Master
- D^o Collector of Customs
- D^o Marine
- D^o Tenasserim

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And the Marine Department.
Including the Accounts of Sea going
Steamers.

Para 22. The Accountant to the
Government of Bengal will have charge
only of the Bengal Accounts including

In the Revenue Dept^{ts}
Accounts of Collectors.

D^o Judicial Officers and

D^o Post & Masters.

In the General Dep^{ts}

Accounts of Geological Survey in Bengal

D^o Superintendent of Stationery and

D^o Savings Bank.

In the Salt Dept^{ts}

Accounts of Agents and Superintendents

In the Opium Dept^{ts}

Accounts of Agents &c.

In the Pub. Works Dept^{ts}

Accounts of the Chief Engineers and
Executive Officers.

In the Marine Dept^{ts}

Accounts of Inland Steamers.

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The Govt. have no objection to the Accountant General referring the question as he proposes - but they consider it will be sufficient to communicate only with the Accountant General to the Govt. of India, to whom it may ^{be} left to decide the general question.

2. Para 2. of the above letter will be communicated to the Superintendent ^{of all arms} who will be furnished with copy of the Extract referred to. Advances to the Steamer "Sydney" will accordingly be carried to debit of the General Government of India.

The Accountant General.

• Superintendent of all arms - with Extract.

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Copy of Para 15 and
22 of an Extract from
the Proceedings of
the Most Noble the
Governor General
of India in Council
in the Financial
Department dated
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