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for the month of November 1859.*

No. 3. To THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, dated Fort Saint George,
21st November 1859, No. 587.

SIR,

I am directed to report that the Right Honorable the Secretary of State has furnished this Government with copy of a Despatch addressed to the Government of India, under date the 7th ultimo, No. 23, on the subject of arrangements for Steam communication between Madras and Burmah.

2. The Extract received has been communicated to the Superintendent of Marine—and he has been requested to submit his views as to the nature of the arrangements, which should be made with private parties for carrying out communication between Madras and Burmah *via* the Northern Ports, with such information, as he may be able to supply, in respect to the expense of the present system, to admit of a comparison being made between its cost, and that at which the same service could be had from private individuals or companies.

3. It appears to this Government that the correct principle would be to engage with such parties for the conveyance bi-monthly between Madras, the Northern Ports, and Rangoon, and *vice versa*, of all Government stores, treasure, troops and passengers at fixed rates. The contracting party should be bound to carry all such stores, &c., at such rates, and might dispose of his surplus tonnage and accommodation as he saw fit. The rates should be determined by competition under tenders invited by public advertisement.

4. The Superintendent of Marine has been requested to submit the draft of a notice for tenders, which he would propose to issue, with such information as he may be able to furnish, as to the probable quantity of stores, number of troops, &c., which would have to be conveyed, and specification of the leading conditions, into which the contracting party should be required to enter.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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No. 58.

The Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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Fort St George,
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