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1	Superintendent of Marine....	3rd January 1859.	Forwards two letters from the Master Attendant on the subject of the difficulties experienced in managing the Madras Boatmen owing to his being deprived of all power of control over them; and suggesting, as a means of correcting this state of things, that he should be placed in charge of the Marine Police.
2	Order thereon.....	26th January.	The above letter and its enclosures referred to the Commissioner of Police, and to the Magistrates of the first or Town District for any observations they may have to offer upon it.
3	Secretary, Mint Committee.	21st January.	Forwards, for re-transmission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, the original Packing Account of Mint Stores received from England per "Helena."
4	From the same.....	21st January.	Forwards, for the same purpose original Packing Account of Mint Stores per "Cleveland."
5	To the Under Secretary of State for India.	27th January.	Re-transmits the two original Packing Accounts accordingly.
6	Superintendent of Marine....	29th Novr. 1858.	Offers certain observations on the Amended Bill for the "Amendment of the Law relating to Merchant Seamen," and encloses copy of a letter from the Master Attendant containing his remarks on the same subject.
7	To Member, Legislative Council.	27th January 1859.	Transmits copy of the preceding letter and its enclosure.
8	Superintendent of Marine...	25th January.	Solicits that the Commander of the "Dalhousie," may be instructed to touch at Eskapillay, on his way up to the Northern Ports, for the purpose of receiving Treasure on board.
9	Order thereon.....	26th January.	The necessary orders communicated to Lieutenant Hopkins accordingly.
10	Superintendent of Marine...	20th January.	Intimates that no expense was incurred on account of distressed British Seamen for the quarter ending 31st December 1858.
11	Order thereon.....	29th January.	Recorded.
12	Under Secretary to the Government of India.	6th January.	Forwards copy of an opinion by the Advocate General at Calcutta on the legal position of Seamen belonging to Her Majesty's Indian Navy.
13	Order thereon.....	31st January.	Communicated to the Government Solicitor and the Superintendent of Marine.
14	Master of the Trinity House, South Australia.	30th Novr. 1858.	Forwards copy of a Notice published in South Australia, relative to the establishment of a Light House on Cape Northumberland.
15	Order thereon.....	31st January 1859.	The Notice to be published in several Issues of the Gazette, and the Superintendent of Marine requested to state the number of copies he will require for distribution to subordinate Officers.
16	Extract Minutes of Consultation, Public Department.	21st January.	Intimating that unpaid Official letters shall continue as heretofore to be forwarded as unpaid letters provided they are addressed to any of the public Functionaries or Departments that have a Postage Account with the London Post Office.

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17	Order thereon.....	31st January.	Recorded.
18	Superintendent of Marine....	31st January.	Brings to notice the bad state of the Boilers of the Steamer "Australian;" but, as it is very desirable that she should proceed to Mangalore with the families of the 8th Native Infantry, suggests that the Commander of the "Dalhousie," should be instructed to order his Engineers to examine and report whether the Steamer can perform the voyage to Mangalore and back without serious mishap.
19	Order thereon.....	31st January.	The Commander of the "Dalhousie" requested to do as suggested by the Superintendent of Marine.

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20	Secretary, Mint Committee.	27th January.	Forwards original Packing Account of Mint Stores received from England per "Barham."
21	To the Under Secretary of State for India.	1st February.	Transmits the above Packing Account.
22	Committee appointed to report on the Steamer "Australian."	31st January.	Think it very unsafe for the "Australian," to proceed to Mangalore under Steam, and would recommend her being sent to Calcutta for repair of her Boilers.
	P. S. from the Commander of the "Dalhousie."		Is of opinion that the Steamer might proceed under *Sail* and *use* her *Engines* when actually most wanted.
23	Order thereon.....	1st February.	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine.

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1	To the Superintendent of Marine.	2ndFeby.1859	Transmits, for his information, account of Tonnage and Freight and Packing Accounts of Stores per "Janet Willis" to Madras.
2	Government Solicitor.	21st Jany.	Adverting to Extract Minutes of Consultation, 11th November last, states that he has seen the Superintendent of Marine's letter of the 29th Idem, No. 4807, and that he quite concurs in opinion with him and in the views expressed in the letter above noted.
3	Order thereon.....	2nd Feby.	Recorded.
4	Lieut. F. W. Hopkins, I. N.	29th Jany.	Reports that the period of service for which the Engineers of the Vessels under his command agreed to serve expired on the 13th June last, and requests that an order may be issued, sanctioning the services of the Engineers for a further period of six months, commencing from the 1st July.
5	Order thereon.....	3rd Feby.	Sanctioned.
6	Extract Minutes of Consultation, Military Dept.	24th Jany.	Regarding the provision of Steam communication to the Straits regularly once every three months.
7	Order thereon.....	3rd Feby.	Recorded.
8	Superintendent of Marine....	2nd Feby.	Intimating that the Commander of the "Australian" has been directed to put to see tomorrow under sail, using his Engines, as recommended by Lieutenant Hopkins, when absolutely required, and trusts that the Supreme Government will be able to place the "Sydney" at the disposal of the Madras Government by the time when the "Australian" returns from Mangalore, as it is positively necessary that the latter be dispatched to Calcutta for repair.
9	Order thereon.....	3rd Feby.	Communicated to the Military Department.

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1	Superintendent of Marine....	4th February 1859.	Solicits authority for the employment of the "Dalhousie" in bringing Treasure from the Southern Districts when she shall have returned to Madras.
2	Order thereon.....	9th February.	Authorized, and orders to be sent to the Commander when it is settled at what Ports he is to touch.
3	Extract Minutes of Consultation, Financial Department.	1st February.	Communicating Supreme Government's order that in future preparatory leave to Military Officers in Civil employ be regulated by the Military Rules, with a certain exception.
4	Order thereon.....	9th February.	Recorded.
5	Secretary to the Government of India.	22nd January.	Communicates the sanction of the Supreme Government to the scheme for Steam communication between Madras and Burmah by means of Government Steamers.
6	Order thereon.....	9th February.	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine and the Military Department.
7	Superintendent of Marine...	8th February.	Forwards monthly Register of the rise and fall of the Tide at Coringa during the half year ending 31st December 1858.
8	To the Under Secretary of State for India.	10th February.	Transmits the foregoing.
9	Lieutenant A. D. Taylor, I. N.	24th January.	Forwards his report upon Cochin Bar and Harbour which the Chamber of Commerce at Cochin have requested to be allowed to publish.
10	Order thereon.....	12th February.	Communicated to the Public Works Department, and to the Superintendent of Marine, and the latter called upon to submit, at an early date, the further report on the proposal of the Cochin Chamber of Commerce to maintain a Steam Tug and Rake, which was requested in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 17th July 1858. See no objection to the Chamber publishing the Report.
11	Superintendent of Marine...	11th February.	Intimates that the "Dalhousie" will be required to proceed to Paumben for Treasure, touching at Cuddalore and Tranquebar.
12	Order thereon.....	12th February.	Issue the necessary instructions to the Cammander.
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13	Under Secretary to the Government of India.	21st January.	Communicating correspondence regarding the arrangements to be made for the Crew of the "Coromandel" while that Vessel is in dock.
14	Order thereon.....	15th February.	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine.

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1	Lieutenant Stradling, Commanding "Coromandel."	14th February	Acknowledges the receipt of instructions from the Superintendent of Marine to proceed to Sea, and submits that this course of communicating orders of Government to a Commissioned Officer is unprecedented.
2	Order thereon.....	2nd February	Refer Lieut. Stradling to para: 2 of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 22nd January 1859, and remark that Government are not at liberty to depart from the course therein laid down, but consider that when Vessels of the Indian Navy are engaged on any other Service than in the regular communication between Madras and Burmah, the course hitherto pursued should continue to be acted on.
3	Superintendent of Marine.	7th February	Recommends for the favorable consideration of Government, Captain Thomson's offer to supply water for the Ships at Cocanada, conditionally on his being allowed to charge Rupees 2½ per Ton for the same.
4	Order thereon.....	17th February	Referred to the Collector of Rajahmundry and to the Madras Chamber of Commerce for their opinion.
5	Superintendent of Marine.	12th February	Requests that application may be made to the Council of India for the supply of 6000 Tons of Steam Coal and 2000 Tons of Patent Fuel, deliverable from January 1860 at the rate of 1500 Tons a month.
6	Order thereon.....	18th February	Resolve that application be made accordingly.
7	Lieutenant Hopkins, Commanding "Dalhousie."	17th February	Reports the arrival of the "Dalhousie" with H. E. the Commander-in-Chief and party on board.
8	Order thereon.....	19th February	Observe that the movements of the "Dalhousie" are laid down in Extract Minutes Consultation of 12th Instant, copy of which will, 'ere this, have reached the Commander of that Vessel.
9	From the same.....	18th February	Forwards receipt for the sum of Rupees 10,000, required for the use of the "Dalhousie."
10	Order thereon.....	21st February	The Sub Treasurer authorized to advance the amount.
11	To the Superintendent of Marine.	21st February	Transmits Bill of Lading, &c., of the "Tartar" for Madras.
12	Minute of Consultation.....	23rd February	Communicating to the Chamber of Commerce, (and the latter part also to the D. P. W.) a Despatch from the Secretary of State transmitting one part of the Contract entered into with Mr. Frederick Johnson, successor to Messrs. Saunders and Mitchell.

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13	Superintendent of Marine.	11th February	Requests that application may be made to the Home Government for four Sets of 1st Class Moorings similar to those used at Bombay for the purpose of being laid down in the Madras Roads for the convenience of Government Steamers and Transports.
14	Order thereon.....	25th February	Application to be made to the Home Authorities accordingly.