

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine

DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <i>131</i>	Press ~~Mis~~
Dated <i>28. 3</i>	<i>1860</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
for the month of March 1860.*

No. 18. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 15th March 1860, No. 11353.

No. 908, dated 12th May 1857.

Enclosures 5.

1 Letter from Collector, Malabar, No. 286, dated 27th January 1860, with 1 Enclosure.

1 Letter from District Engineer, Malabar, No. 34, dated 15th February 1860.

1 Letter from Superintendent of Marine, No. 1222, dated 8th March 1860.

1 Abstract Estimate.

In Extract from the Minutes of Consultation marginally quoted, Government sanctioned an Estimate of Rupees 3,530 for erecting a hollow iron column over the old Dutch Tower at Cochin, and authorized its entry in the Budget for 1858-59. This Estimate is at present under restriction.

No. 286, dated 27th January 1860.

* No. 20, dated 23rd January 1860.

2. In a letter, dated the 27th January last, the Collector of Malabar forwarded an extract from a communication* addressed to himself by the Master Attendant of Cochin, bringing to notice the dangerous state of the Flagstaff, and urging the necessity of its immediate repair.

On the receipt of this, I directed the District Engineer immediately to execute the necessary work for the safety of the Flagstaff, and to report what further measures were required.

3. In reply, Captain Bean forwarded† the accompanying Estimate amounting to Rupees 2,170 for renewing the Deck, Stair-case and Beams of the old Tower, and for erecting a wooden house for the light men.

4. As the District Engineer of Malabar is of opinion that the Estimate of the iron light house is totally insufficient since the column has to be brought from England and then erected on the Tower, and as also much time must necessarily be lost before the work can be executed, I

‡ No. 1222, dated 8th March 1860.

addressed the Superintendent of Marine on the subject, whose reply‡ is also submitted for the information of Government.

§ Rupees 1,446-10-8.

|| Rupees 723-5-4.

5. Mr. Franklin proposes that two thirds§ of the Estimate of Rupees 2,170 be charged to the Port Fund, and the balance|| defrayed by Government. The work being urgently needed,

I beg to recommend Government will be pleased to sanction the same, the amount (Rupees 723-5-4) to be defrayed from the General Repair Fund at the disposal of the District Engineer of Malabar.

Transferred to the Marine Department.

16th March 1860.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Dy. Secretary to Government.

No. 19. ORDER THEREON, 28th March 1860, No. 131.

With the above letter, the Chief Engineer submits an Estimate for Rupees 2,170 for renewing the Deck, Stair-case, and Beams of the Flagstaff Tower at Cochin, and erecting a wooden house for the light men, and solicits sanction of Government on the ground of its being urgently needed, in which opinion the Superintendent of Marine agrees with him.

2. The Government sanction the Estimate for the execution of the repairs on emergency—two-thirds of the expense to be debited to the Port Fund and the remaining one-third to be met out of the Repairs Fund of the district.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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The Suptt. of Marine.
" Colln of Malabar
" Asst. Genl.
" Pub. Works, Dept. - with enclosure.

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