

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	237	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated	4. 7.	1860

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
4th July 1860.*

No. 7. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated London, 31st May 1860, No. 11.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letters in this Department numbered and dated as undermentioned, viz :

No. 1 dated 16th January 1860.

„ 1, M. B.	25th	„	„
„ 2,	26th	„	„
„ 3,	26th	„	„
„ 4,	3rd February	„	„
„ 4, M. B.	25th	„	„
„ 5,	28th	„	„
„ 6,	5th March	„	„

2. These letters have been considered in Council, and I have to inform you that the portions of them which relate to matters of routine or which involve the forwarding of documents or the communication of information to other Departments of Her Majesty's Government have been attended to, and that the other portion do not call for any remark, with the exception of paragraph 2 of your letter, No. 1, and of your letter No. 2 of 1860.

3. In the former respecting the practice prevailing at Madras of deducting 3 per cent. in lieu of screening coal, I have to observe that as this practice formed no part of the conditions of purchase of the cargoes of coal of Mr. Burness per "Sarah Kay," "Jane Ewing" and "Eunomia," nor is it recognized under the usual terms of contract for the delivery of coal from this country at your Presidency, any deviation from the terms, however slight, which it may be thought necessary to make for the interests of the Government or for any other cause, should be clearly agreed upon between the Government Authorities and the parties acting for the Coal Contractor, and it should be expressed in writing. In this case of Mr. Burness, the State has been subjected to a cost of £92-19-10, which would not have been incurred had an agreement of this nature been entered into.

4. In the latter, which relates to the amendments proposed to be made to the Act IV of 1842, or the "Madras Boat Act," I have only to convey to you my approval generally of the course you have pursued as to the rates of boat hire and lading of the boats at Madras, and with respect to the "Disabled Boatmen's Fund," which is to be kept up to the extent of its own actual revenue (Rupees 950 per annum) but from no other resources. The arrangement of the Fund remaining, as at present, with the Master Attendant.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 4th July 1860, No. 237.

The two first paras. of the above Despatch will be communicated to the Military Department.

Proceedings 14th December 1859, No. 632.
„ 21st „ „ „ 653.
„ 11th January 1860, „ 20.
„ 14th „ „ „ 25.
„ 27th February „ „ 81.
Accountant General's letters, 24th January 1860,
No. 405, and 24th February 1860, No. 465.

Para: 2. Copies of the entire Despatch will be forwarded to the Superintendent of Marine and to the Accountant General in reference to the papers noted in the margin. The Superintendent of Marine will in future strictly adhere to the course prescribed by the Secretary of State in para. 3, of the Despatch. The Accountant General, who will now be furnished with copy of the correspondence on the subject of Mr. Burness' claims, will adjust the amount admitted, £92-19-10, to credit of the Home Government.

Proceedings, 27th September 1859, No. 483.
„ 2nd November „ „ 557.
„ 14th December „ „ 632.

3. Para. 4 of the Despatch will be communicated to the Government Solicitor also, in reference to *Proceedings*, 21st December 1858, No. 653.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Feb. — " 465. was in full compliance
adhere

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Despatch from
Secretary of State - Inter 31st May '60 N^o 11.

Order - 4 July 1860. No 237 -

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" Decr. '59 N^o 632.

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" Janry. '60 " 240.

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Genl's. Letters -

" Janry '60 N^o 405,

" Feb. — " 465.

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From A. J. L. -
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No. 237

Proceedings of Court

of 14 July 1860 -

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