

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	322	Press Mis.
Dated	15. 9.	1860.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
15th September 1860.*

No. 27. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 4th September 1860, No. 3,957.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of Government of the 25th ultimo, No. 300, communicating a letter from the Mint Master reporting the loss of a Boiler belonging to a Steam Hammer, and inquiring what steps have been taken towards its recovery.

2. In reply I beg to submit a letter* in original from the *3rd September 1860, No. 711. Master Attendant stating that he hopes soon to recover it, and to explain that it was not lost from a raft, but was being floated on shore when it filled and sunk. It was subsequently raised and brought towards the shore but grounded on the outer ridge of the surf. It is not a large Boiler and there is no reason why it should not be recovered at an early date.

From H. D. E. DALRYMPLE, Esq., Master Attendant, to J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine, dated 3rd September 1860, No. 711.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter under date 31st ultimo,† requesting me “to report as to the means adopted for raising the Boiler which was sunk while being towed on shore from the “George Canning.””

2. In reply, I beg to explain that the Boiler unfortunately lies in the line of the outer surf where no raft can be worked, consequently, we have experienced repeated failures in endeavouring to recover it. At first when slings were on the Boiler and before it became embedded in the sand we tried to heave it on shore by a wynch, but in our attempts to do so, wynch and slings were carried away. Subsequently the surf became so unfavorable that we could not work and the Boiler became covered with sand. Since then whenever the surf has permitted it, the Divers have been employed undermining the Boiler to enable them to pass the slings under it, and I am in hopes that in a few days we shall be able to float it with logs lashed down to it at low water.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 15th September 1860, No. 322.

Ordered that the original Packing Account received with the Mint Master's letter, 23rd ultimo, be re-transmitted to the Home Government, with the remark that the Boiler, which filled and sank while being floated ashore, will, it is expected, be recovered at an early date.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 29. To the Under Secretary of State for India, dated Fort Saint George, 15th September 1860, No. 323.

I am directed to re-transmit, for submission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, the original Packing Account of Mint Stores per “George Canning.”

2. The different parts of the Steam Hammer have been received correct and in good order, excepting the Boiler, which filled and sank while being floated ashore. The Superintendent of Marine thinks that it will be recovered at an early date.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No: 322 - 15 September 1860.

Ordered that the Original Packing Acct. received with the Minillas-ter's letter, 23rd Ult., be retransmitted to the Home Port, with the remark that the Boiler, which filled & sank, while being floated ashore, with, it is expected, be recovered at an early date. *last* *shall* *in* *with* *letter* *ret* *23rd Sept 1860* *J*

The Chief Secretary
to Government

Fort St. George

15 September 1860

No: 3987

Enc: 1.

No: 308

Acknowledges receipt
of the Proceedings of Govt.
of the 25th ult. No: 300
Communicating a letter from
the United Master reporting
the loss of a boiler belonging
to a steam hammer and
submits an original letter
from the Master Attesting
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to recover it.

With Order & Letter.

to B. 19/9 -
with Packing Act - N^o: 323.

The Under Secretary of
State for India.

Sir.

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To Mr. George?
15 Sep. 1860.

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